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Part III Statement of Program Service AccomplishmentsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III ☐ ☒**1** Briefly describe the organization's mission:

WITH OFFICES IN WASHINGTON, DC AND 35 STATES AND 1.1 MILLION SUPPORTERS AND ACTIVISTS, COMMON CAUSE WORKS TO ADVANCE DEMOCRACY REFORMS AT FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL LEVELS, THROUGH CRAFTING MODEL LEGISLATION, LOBBYING, PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT, AND JOINT EFFORTS WITH DIVERSE PARTNERS ACROSS THE REFORM COMMUNITY.

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

4a	(Code:)	(Expenses \$	1,661,541	including grants of \$	(Revenue \$	96,000)
See Additional Data						

4b	(Code:)	(Expenses \$	1,021,241	including grants of \$	(Revenue \$	)
See Additional Data						

4c	(Code:)	(Expenses \$	1,003,182	including grants of \$	(Revenue \$	)
See Additional Data						

(Code:)	(Expenses \$	19,354	including grants of \$	(Revenue \$	)
MEDIA & DEMOCRACY SECURED PASSAGE OF HEROES ACT IN THE HOUSE, WHICH MAKES SIGNIFICANT INVESTMENTS IN BROADBAND TO ENSURE ROBUST AND AFFORDABLE CONNECTIVITY FOR LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS AND AMERICANS WHO HAVE RECENTLY LOST JOBS OR BEEN FURLOUGHED DUE TO THE PANDEMIC. SECURED PASSAGE OF ACCESSIBLE, INTERNET, FOR ALL ACT IN THE HOUSE WHICH PROVIDES \$80 BILLION OF FUNDING FOR BROADBAND DEPLOYMENT WHILE ENABLING AFFORDABLE OPTIONS FOR BROADBAND ADOPTION, CREATING DIGITAL EQUITY PROGRAMS, ENHANCING DATA COLLECTION REGARDING THE PRICE AND QUALITY OF BROADBAND NETWORKS, AND PROTECTING COMMUNITY BROADBAND. ORGANIZED CONGRESSIONAL BRIEFING TO DISCUSS LEGISLATIVE SOLUTIONS TO SUPPORT LOCAL NEWS DURING THE PANDEMIC					

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.)

(Expenses \$	19,354	including grants of \$	(Revenue \$	)
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4e	Total program service expenses ▶	3,705,318
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Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A	1	No
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors (see instructions)? 	2 Yes	
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I 	3	No
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	4	
5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III 	5 Yes	
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I 	6	No
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II 	7	No
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III 	8	No
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21 for escrow or custodial account liability; serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV 	9	No
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V	10 Yes	
11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable.		
a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI. 	11a Yes	
b Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII 	11b	No
c Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII 	11c	No
d Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX 	11d	No
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X 	11e Yes	
f Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X 	11f	No
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII 	12a	No
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional 	12b Yes	
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	13	No
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	14a	No
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV	14b	No
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV	15	No
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV	16	No
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I (see instructions) 	17	No
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II 	18 Yes	
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III 	19	No
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H	20a	No
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?	20b	
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II	21	No

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

		Yes	No
22	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III.</i>	22	No
23	Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J.</i>	23	Yes
24a	Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a.</i>	24a	No
b	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b	
c	Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?	24c	
d	Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d	
25a	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I.</i>	25a	No
b	Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I.</i>	25b	No
26	Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5 or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II.</i>	26	No
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity (including an employee thereof) or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III.</i>	27	No
28	Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions):		
a	A current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, or substantial contributor? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>	28a	No
b	A family member of any individual described in line 28a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>	28b	No
c	A 35% controlled entity of one or more individuals and/or organizations described in lines 28a or 28b? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>	28c	No
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M.</i>	29	Yes
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M.</i>	30	No
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I.</i>	31	No
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II.</i>	32	No
33	Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I.</i>	33	No
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1.</i>	34	Yes
35a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35a	Yes
b	If 'Yes' to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2.</i>	35b	No
36	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2.</i>	36	
37	Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI.</i>	37	No
38	Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O.	38	Yes

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax ComplianceCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V ☐

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable	1a	78
b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable	1b	0
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	1c	Yes

Part V **Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance** (continued)

2a Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	2a 0			
b If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions)			2b	
3a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?			3a	No
b If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation in Schedule O			3b	
4a At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?			4a	No
b If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ _____ See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).				
5a Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?			5a	No
b Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?			5b	No
c If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?			5c	
6a Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?			6a	Yes
b If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?			6b	Yes
7 Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).				
a Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?			7a	
b If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?			7b	
c Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?			7c	
d If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7d			
e Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?			7e	
f Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?			7f	
g If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?			7g	
h If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?			7h	
8 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?			8	
9 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.				
a Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?			9a	
b Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?			9b	
10 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:				
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a			
b Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b			
11 Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter:				
a Gross income from members or shareholders	11a			
b Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	11b			
12a Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?				
b If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year.	12b			
13 Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.				
a Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.			13a	
b Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans	13b			
c Enter the amount of reserves on hand	13c			
14a Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?			14a	No
b If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O			14b	
15 Is the organization subject to the section 4960 tax on payment(s) of more than \$1,000,000 in remuneration or excess parachute payment(s) during the year? If "Yes," see instructions and file Form 720, Schedule N.			15	No
16 Is the organization an educational institution subject to the section 4968 excise tax on net investment income? If "Yes," complete Form 4720, Schedule O.			16	No

Part VI

Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to lines 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI ☒

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year	23	
	If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O.		
b	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent	22	
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?	2	No
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?	3	No
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	4	No
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?	5	No
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders?	6	Yes
7a	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?	7a	No
b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?	7b	No
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
a	The governing body?	8a	Yes
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	8b	Yes
9	Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O	9	No

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

		Yes	No
10a	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	10a	Yes
b	If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?	10b	Yes
11a	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	11a	Yes
b	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.		
12a	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	12a	Yes
b	Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	12b	Yes
c	Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done	12c	Yes
13	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	13	Yes
14	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	14	Yes
15	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?		
a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	15a	Yes
b	Other officers or key employees of the organization	15b	No
	If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions).		
16a	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?	16a	No
b	If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?	16b	

Section C. Disclosure

17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed▶

AL, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, TN, TX, UT, VT, VA, WA, DC, WV, WI, AK, ID, IA, NV, SD

18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024-A if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.

☒ Own website ☐ Another's website ☒ Upon request ☐ Other (explain in Schedule O)

19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.

20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records:
▶ELIZABETH MARCHANT CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER 805 15TH STREET NW SUITE 800 WASHINGTON, DC 20005 (202) 833-1200

Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII ☐

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, or highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

See instructions for the order in which to list the persons above.

☐ Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.

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Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

[illegible]

1b Sub-Total			
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A			
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)	462,658	755,748	209,414

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization ▶ 0

		Yes	No
3	Did the organization list any former officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	3	No
4	For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	4	Yes
5	Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>	5	No

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
RWT PRODUCTION 8932 ORANGE HUNT LANE ANNANDALE, VA 22003	DIRECT MAIL PRODUCTION	1,033,891
ROI SOLUTIONS 1 ALEWIFE CENTER 220 CAMBRIDGE, MA 02140	DATABASE	218,855
INFOGROUP PO BOX 3243 OMAHA, NE 68103	LIST BROKERAGE SERVICES	149,481
MERKLE RESPONSE SERVICES INC 100 JAMISON COURT HAGERSTOWN, MD 21740	MAIL PROCESSING SERVICES	112,573

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization ▶ 4

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Part VIII Statement of Revenue													
Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII										☐			
										(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512 - 514
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a Federated campaigns		1a										
	b Membership dues		1b										
	c Fundraising events		1c	62,001									
	d Related organizations		1d										
	e Government grants (contributions)		1e										
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above		1f	9,003,726									
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a - 1f:\$		1g	29,852									
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f										9,065,727		
Program Service Revenue			Business Code										
	2a PROGRAM FEES		900099		96,000		96,000						
	b												
	c												
	d												
	e												
	f All other program service revenue.												
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f.										96,000		
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)					15,514						15,514	
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds												
	5 Royalties					27						27	
			(i) Real	(ii) Personal									
	6a Gross rents		6a	48,900									
	b Less: rental expenses		6b	52,402									
	c Rental income or (loss)		6c	-3,502									
	d Net rental income or (loss)				-3,502						-3,502		
			(i) Securities	(ii) Other									
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory		7a	30,429									
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses		7b	0									
	c Gain or (loss)		7c	30,429									
	d Net gain or (loss)				30,429						30,429		
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 62,001 of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18			8a		0							
	b Less: direct expenses			8b		21,183							
	c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events					-21,183						-21,183	
	9a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19			9a									
	b Less: direct expenses			9b									
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities												
	10aGross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances			10a									
b Less: cost of goods sold			10b										
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory													
Miscellaneous Revenue			Business Code										
11aLIST RENTAL			900099		350						350		
b													
c													
d All other revenue													
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d					350								
12 Total revenue. See instructions					9,183,362		96,000		0		21,635		

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Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A).

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX ☐

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21				
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22				
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16.				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	402,200	251,286	112,326	38,588
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages	2,017,120	1,393,585	218,153	405,382
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401 (k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	82,272	56,263	9,916	16,093
9 Other employee benefits	322,025	220,222	38,811	62,992
10 Payroll taxes	163,111	111,546	19,658	31,907
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management	127,205	127,205		
b Legal	145,915	125,434	20,481	
c Accounting	29,400		29,400	
d Lobbying	137,107	137,107		
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees	3,509		3,509	
g Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O)	93,713	61,139	4,574	28,000
12 Advertising and promotion	2,192,852	65,484	8,093	2,119,275
13 Office expenses	274,970	59,570	172,861	42,539
14 Information technology	755,279	221,895	402,107	131,277
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	809,863	155,668	654,145	50
17 Travel	51,008	49,672	1,125	211
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	26,068	24,668	1,400	
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates	618,500	618,500		
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	218,156		218,156	
23 Insurance	44,393		44,393	
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a FINANCIAL SERVICES & BA	45,898	20,455	25,443	
b TAXES LICENSES FEES	24,894	5,619	19,275	
c MISCELLANEOUS	10,004		10,004	
d				
e All other expenses				
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	8,595,462	3,705,318	2,013,830	2,876,314
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here ☐ if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720).				

Part X Balance SheetCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX ☐

				(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year	
Assets	1	Cash—non-interest-bearing		1,163	1	1,163	
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments		734,810	2	1,920,444	
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net			3		
	4	Accounts receivable, net		782,668	4	112,968	
	5	Loans and other payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons			5		
	6	Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)			6		
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net			7		
	8	Inventories for sale or use			8		
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		310,283	9	297,379	
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a	1,710,929			
	b	Less: accumulated depreciation	10b	868,112	1,028,076	10c	842,817
	11	Investments—publicly traded securities		1,159,649	11	1,361,074	
	12	Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11			12		
	13	Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11			13		
	14	Intangible assets			14		
	15	Other assets. See Part IV, line 11		326,491	15	207,217	
16	Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)		4,343,140	16	4,743,062		
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses		369,020	17	325,435	
	18	Grants payable			18		
	19	Deferred revenue			19		
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities			20		
	21	Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D			21		
	22	Loans and other payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons			22		
	23	Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties			23		
	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties			24		
	25	Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17 - 24). Complete Part X of Schedule D		1,294,171	25	1,190,093	
	26	Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25		1,663,191	26	1,515,528	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here ☒ and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.						
	27	Net assets without donor restrictions		1,440,543	27	2,248,253	
	28	Net assets with donor restrictions		1,239,406	28	979,281	
	Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here ☐ and complete lines 29 through 33.						
	29	Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds			29		
	30	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund			30		
	31	Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds			31		
	32	Total net assets or fund balances		2,679,949	32	3,227,534	
33	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances		4,343,140	33	4,743,062		

Part XI Reconciliation of Net AssetsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI ☐

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	9,183,362
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	8,595,462
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	587,900
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	2,679,949
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	-40,315
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	0
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	3,227,534

Part XII Financial Statements and ReportingCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII ☒

	Yes	No
1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: ☐ Cash ☒ Accrual ☐ Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O.		
2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: ☐ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separate basis		No
b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: ☐ Separate basis ☒ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separate basis	Yes	
c If "Yes," to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.	Yes	
3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		No
b If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits.		

Additional Data

Software ID:
Software Version:
EIN: 52-6078441
Name: COMMON CAUSE

Form 990 (2019)

Form 990, Part III, Line 4a:

VOTING & ELECTIONS TESTIFIED BEFORE THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSE ADMINISTRATION ABOUT VOTER SUPPRESSION TACTICS SEEN IN CERTAIN STATES AND LOCALITIES TO HELP DEVELOP A LEGISLATIVE RECORD TO UPDATE THE VOTING RIGHTS ACTSUCCESSFULLY LOBBIED, AS PART OF A COALITION, FOR CONGRESS TO INVEST \$425 MILLION IN ELECTION SECURITY FUNDS TO DISTRIBUTE TO STATES PROMOTED AND HELPED PASS A BALLOT INITIATIVE IN SUPPORT OF RANKED CHOICE VOTING IN NEW YORK CITY DURING THE NOVEMBER 2019 GENERAL ELECTION.LOBBIED FOR AND HELPED PASS A PACKAGE VOTING RIGHTS REFORM BILLS IN NEW YORK STATE, INCLUDING ON EARLY VOTING, UNIFORM POLLING HOURS DURING THE PRIMARY, CONSOLIDATED PRIMARIES, AND VOTER REGISTRATIONLOBBIED FOR AND HELPED PASS HISTORIC VOTING RIGHTS REFORM IN PENNSYLVANIA TO EXPAND VOTER BY MAIL, PROVIDE FUNDING FOR NEW VOTING MACHINES, AND IMPROVE THE STATE'S VOTER REGISTRATION SYSTEM

Form 990, Part III, Line 4b:

MONEY IN POLITICS & ETHICS TESTIFIED BEFORE THE CONNECTICUT GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN FAVOR OF KEY IMPROVEMENTS TO STATE CAMPAIGN FINANCE AND ELECTION LAWS. LOBBIED FOR, LED A GRASSROOTS CAMPAIGN, AND PUBLISHED A REPORT IN SUPPORT OF THE IMPEACHMENT OF PRESIDENT TRUMP. SPONSORED AND HELPED PLAN A PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE FORUM DURING THE 2020 IOWA CAUCUS TO PROMOTE MONEY IN POLITICS AND OTHER DEMOCRACY REFORMS. FILED COMPLAINTS WITH THE SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ETHICS, SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION AND DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE CALLING FOR INVESTIGATIONS OF SENATORS RICHARD BURR, KELLY LOEFFLER, JAMES INHOFE AND DIANNE FEINSTEIN TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE SENATORS VIOLATED THE STOP TRADING ON CONGRESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE ACT OF 2012 (STOCK ACT), THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT, THE U.S. CRIMINAL CODE AND OTHER FEDERAL LAWS AND REGULATIONS REGARDING STOCK TRADING APPLICABLE TO MEMBERS OF CONGRESS. FILED FEC COMPLAINTS AGAINST REP. MATT GAETZ, OUR REVOLUTION, PRESIDENT TRUMP, KRIS KOBACH, AND OTHERS FOR VIOLATING CAMPAIGN FINANCE LAW.

Form 990, Part III, Line 4c:

REDISTRICTING & REPRESENTATIONORGANIZED BALLOT INITIATIVE CAMPAIGNS IN KEY STATES TO LAY THE GROUNDWORK TO PASS MAJOR ANTI-GERRYMANDERING
LEGISLATION IN STATES AND LOCALITIESDEVELOPED A QUESTIONNAIRE CALLED OUR DEMOCRACY 2020 THAT WE SENT TO ALL MAJOR PARTY PRESIDENTIAL
CANDIDATES TO GET THEM ON THE RECORD ON KEY DEMOCRACY REFORM ISSUES; MORE THAN 10 PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES COMPLETED OUR QUESTIONNAIRE
DURING THE PARTY PRIMARIESBEGAN CREATING OUR 2020 DEMOCRACY SCORECARD, WHICH RANKS THE POSITIONS OF ALL MEMBERS OF CONGRESS ON 15-20 KEY
DEMOCRACY REFORM BILLS AND HELPED ADD MORE THAN 150 COSPONSORS TO THE COLLECTIVE BILLS WE INCLUDED

Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors										
(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
MARTHA TIERNEY CHAIR	1.00	X		X				0	0	0
NANCY RATZAN VICE CHAIR	1.00	X		X				0	0	0
OLGA KAUFFMAN SECRETARY	1.00	X		X				0	0	0
OLENA BERG LACY TREASURER	1.00	X		X				0	0	0
NICOLE M AUSTIN-HILLERY BOARD MEMBER	1.00	X						0	0	0
RICHARD BANTER BOARD MEMBER	1.00	X						0	0	0
EMMET BONDURANT BOARD MEMBER	1.00	X						0	0	0
REBECCA COKLEY BOARD MEMBER	1.00	X						0	0	0
DAN CONLEY BOARD MEMBER	1.00	X						0	0	0
GREGORY DISKANT BOARD MEMBER	1.00	X						0	0	0

Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors										
(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
ARCHON FUNG BOARD MEMBER	1.00 1.00	X						0	0	0
WILLIAM N HUBBARD III BOARD MEMBER	1.00 1.00	X						0	0	0
MARILYN MELKONIAN BOARD MEMBER	1.00 1.00	X						0	0	0
CHANG K PARK BOARD MEMBER	1.00 1.00	X						0	0	0
SHAREEN PUNIAN BOARD MEMBER	1.00 1.00	X						0	0	0
SUSAN RUBINSTEIN BOARD MEMBER	1.00 1.00	X						0	0	0
BILAL DABIR SEKOU PHD BOARD MEMBER	1.00 1.00	X						0	0	0
DAVID BEAUMONT SMITH BOARD MEMBER	1.00 1.00	X						0	0	0
WES TOMER BOARD MEMBER	1.00 1.00	X						0	0	0
JESSIE ULIBARRI BOARD MEMBER	1.00 1.00	X						0	0	0

Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors										
(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
TRACY WESTEN BOARD MEMBER	1.00 1.00	X						0	0	0
ALAN WIERSBA BOARD MEMBER	1.00 1.00	X						0	0	0
KAREN HOBERT FLYNN PRESIDENT	9.75 27.75	X		X				85,367	242,969	44,606
ELIZABETH MARCHANT CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	20.63 16.87			X				108,040	88,396	36,453
PAUL RYAN VP, POLICY & LITIGATION	14.25 23.25					X		67,770	110,572	23,910
SCOTT SWENSON VP, COMMUNICATIONS	14.62 22.87					X		59,032	92,332	13,864
JESSE LITTLEWOOD VP, CAMPAIGNS	16.87 20.62					X		55,599	67,954	38,136
MARILYN CARPINTEYRO VP, PROGRAMS & STRATEGY	8.62 28.87					X		28,398	95,073	32,719
LASHANDA JACKSON VP, DEVELOPMENT	18.75 18.75					X		58,452	58,452	19,726

SCHEDULE C
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527

▶Complete if the organization is described below. ▶Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.
▶Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

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If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, Line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations: Complete Parts I-A and B. Do not complete Part I-C.
- Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations: Complete Parts I-A and C below. Do not complete Part I-B.
- Section 527 organizations: Complete Part I-A only.

If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, Line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-A. Do not complete Part II-B.
- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-B. Do not complete Part II-A.

If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, Line 5 (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions) or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 35c (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions), then

- Section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations: Complete Part III.

Name of the organization COMMON CAUSE	Employer identification number 52-6078441
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Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.

1	Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV (see instructions for definition of "political campaign activities")	
2	Political campaign activity expenditures (see instructions)	\$
3	Volunteer hours for political campaign activities (see instructions)	

Part I-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3).

1	Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955	\$
2	Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955	\$
3	If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?	☐ Yes ☐ No
4a	Was a correction made?	☐ Yes ☐ No
b	If "Yes," describe in Part IV.	

Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).

1	Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities	\$
2	Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities	\$
3	Total exempt function expenditures. Add lines 1 and 2. Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b.	\$
4	Did the filing organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?	☐ Yes ☐ No
5	Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments. For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization's funds. Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC). If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV.	

(a) Name	(b) Address	(c) EIN	(d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization. If none, enter -0-.
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				
6				

Part II-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

A Check ☐ if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group (and list in Part IV each affiliated group member's name, address, EIN, expenses, and share of excess lobbying expenditures).

B Check ☐ if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply.

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)	(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals
1a Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)		
b Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)		
c Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)		
d Other exempt purpose expenditures		
e Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)		
f Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns.		
If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:	
Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e.	
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.	
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.	
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.	
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000.	
g Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)		
h Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0-		
i Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0-		
j If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?	☐ Yes ☐ No	

4-Year Averaging Period Under Section 501(h)
(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below. See the separate instructions for lines 2a through 2f.)

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2016	(b) 2017	(c) 2018	(d) 2019	(e) Total
2a Lobbying nontaxable amount					
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					
c Total lobbying expenditures					
d Grassroots nontaxable amount					
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures					

Part II-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and has NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

For each "Yes" response on lines 1a through 1i below, provide in Part IV a detailed description of the lobbying activity.

		(a)		(b)
		Yes	No	Amount
1	During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of:			
a	Volunteers?			
b	Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?			
c	Media advertisements?			
d	Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?			
e	Publications, or published or broadcast statements?			
f	Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?			
g	Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?			
h	Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?			
i	Other activities?			
j	Total. Add lines 1c through 1i			
2a	Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?			
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
c	If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
d	If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

Part III-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).

	Yes	No
1 Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?	1 Yes	
2 Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?	2	No
3 Did the organization agree to carry over lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year?	3	No

Part III-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) and if either (a) BOTH Part III-A, lines 1 and 2, are answered "No" OR (b) Part III-A, line 3, is answered "Yes."

1	Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	1	
2	Section 162(e) nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).		
a	Current year	2a	
b	Carryover from last year	2b	
c	Total	2c	
3	Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues .	3	
4	If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year?	4	
5	Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (see instructions)	5	

Part IV Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1; Part I-B, line 4; Part I-C, line 5; Part II-A (affiliated group list); Part II-A, lines 1 and 2 (see instructions), and Part II-B, line 1. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
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SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)

Supplemental Financial Statements

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

► Complete if the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.
► Attach to Form 990.
► Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

Name of the organization
COMMON CAUSE

Employer identification number
52-6078441

Part I

Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

1

Total number at end of year

2

Aggregate value of contributions to (during year)

3

Aggregate value of grants from (during year)

4

Aggregate value at end of year

5

Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control?

Yes

No

6

Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit?

Yes

No

Part II

Conservation Easements.
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1

Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply).

☐ Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or education)

☐ Preservation of an historically important land area

☐ Protection of natural habitat

☐ Preservation of a certified historic structure

☐ Preservation of open space

2

Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year.

Held at the End of the Year

2a

2b

2c

2d

3

Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ►

4

Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ►

5

Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds?

Yes

No

6

Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ►

7

Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ► \$

8

Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)?

Yes

No

9

In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements.

Part III

Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a

If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items.

1b

If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items:

(i) Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ► \$

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X ► \$

2

If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items:

a Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ► \$

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X ► \$

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Part III

Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets (continued)

3

Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):

a

☐

Public exhibition

b

☐

Scholarly research

c

☐

Preservation for future generations

d

☐

Loan or exchange programs

e

☐

Other

4

Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII.

5

During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? . . .

☐ Yes

☐ No

Part IV

Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

1a

Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X?

☐ Yes

☐ No

b

If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table:

c

Beginning balance

d

Additions during the year

e

Distributions during the year

f

Ending balance

	Amount
1c	
1d	
1e	
1f	

2a

Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability? . . .

☐ Yes

☐ No

b

If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided in Part XIII

☐

Part V

Endowment Funds.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance	2,430,429	2,195,315	1,948,669	1,438,444	1,294,331
b Contributions	272,000	250,000	200,000	300,000	200,000
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses	-154,336	209,088	248,959	265,684	9,124
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses	128,013	223,974	202,313	55,459	65,011
g End of year balance	2,420,080	2,430,429	2,195,315	1,948,669	1,438,444

2

Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:

a

Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶ 0 %

b

Permanent endowment ▶ 0 %

c

Temporarily restricted endowment ▶ 100.000 %

The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%.

3a

Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:

(i) unrelated organizations

(ii) related organizations

b

If "Yes" on 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?

	Yes	No
3a(i)		No
3a(ii)		No
3b		

4

Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

Part VI

Land, Buildings, and Equipment.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements		1,179,613	492,027	687,586
d Equipment		531,316	376,085	155,231
e Other				
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).) . . . ▶				842,817

Part VII

Investments—Other Securities.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely-held equity interests		
(3) Other _____		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.) ▶		

Part VIII

Investments—Program Related.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col.(B) line 13.) ▶		

Part IX

Other Assets.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col.(B) line 15.) ▶	

Part X

Other Liabilities.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	
(2) DEFERRED RENT	1,190,093
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col.(B) line 25.) ▶	1,190,093

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions. In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740). Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII ☐

Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	11,177,206
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:		
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a	-40,315
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	1,964,083
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	73,585
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	1,997,353
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	9,179,853
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1 :		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	3,509
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	3,509
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)	5	9,183,362

Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	10,629,621
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	1,964,083
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Other losses	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	73,585
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	2,037,668
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	8,591,953
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1 :		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	3,509
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	3,509
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)	5	8,595,462

Part XIII Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, lines 1a and 4; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b; Part V, line 4; Part X, line 2; Part XI, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
See Additional Data Table	

Part XIII Supplemental Information *(continued)*

Return Reference	Explanation

Additional Data

Software ID:
Software Version:
EIN: 52-6078441
Name: COMMON CAUSE

Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
PART XI, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:	SPECIAL EVENTS EXPENSE TO PART VIII 21,183. RENTAL EXPENSE TO PART VIII 52,402.

Supplemental Information	
Return Reference	Explanation
PART XII, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:	SPECIAL EVENTS EXPENSE TO PART VIII 21,183. RENTAL EXPENSE TO PART VIII 52,402.

Part II Fundraising Events. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 18, or reported more than \$15,000 of fundraising event contributions and gross income on Form 990-EZ, lines 1 and 6b. List events with gross receipts greater than \$5,000.

Revenue		(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other events	(d) Total events
		NC GATHERING (event type)	CO GIVES ONLINE (event type)	6 (total number)	(add col. (a) through col. (c))
Revenue	1 Gross receipts	22,653	18,406	20,942	62,001
	2 Less: Contributions	22,653	18,406	20,942	62,001
	3 Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)				
Direct Expenses	4 Cash prizes				
	5 Noncash prizes				
	6 Rent/facility costs	1,200		285	1,485
	7 Food and beverages	4,604	3,591	5,354	13,549
	8 Entertainment				
	9 Other direct expenses	1,114	1,336	3,699	6,149
	10 Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d) ▶				21,183
11 Net income summary. Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d) ▶				-21,183	

Part III Gaming. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 19, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

Revenue		(a) Bingo	(b) Pull tabs/Instant bingo/progressive bingo	(c) Other gaming	(d) Total gaming (add col.(a) through col.(c))
Direct Expenses	1 Gross revenue				
	2 Cash prizes				
	3 Noncash prizes				
	4 Rent/facility costs				
	5 Other direct expenses				
Revenue	6 Volunteer labor	☐ Yes _____ % ☐ No	☐ Yes _____ % ☐ No	☐ Yes _____ % ☐ No	
	7 Direct expense summary. Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d) ▶				
	8 Net gaming income summary. Subtract line 7 from line 1, column (d) ▶				

9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization conducts gaming activities: _____

a Is the organization licensed to conduct gaming activities in each of these states? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "No," explain: _____

10a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended or terminated during the tax year? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," explain: _____

11	Does the organization conduct gaming activities with nonmembers?	☐ Yes	☐ No
12	Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming?	☐ Yes	☐ No
13	Indicate the percentage of gaming activity conducted in:		
a	The organization's facility	13a	%
b	An outside facility	13b	%
14	Enter the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records:		
	Name ►		
	Address ►		
15a	Does the organization have a contract with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue?	☐ Yes	☐ No
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization ► \$ and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party ► \$		
c	If "Yes," enter name and address of the third party:		
	Name ►		
	Address ►		
16	Gaming manager information:		
	Name ►		
	Gaming manager compensation ► \$		
	Description of services provided ►		
	☐ Director/officer ☐ Employee ☐ Independent contractor		
17	Mandatory distributions:		
a	Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license?		☐ Yes ☐ No
b	Enter the amount of distributions required under state law distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year ► \$		

Part IV Supplemental Information. Provide the explanations required by Part I, line 2b, columns (iii) and (v); and Part III, lines 9, 9b, 10b, 15b, 15c, 16, and 17b, as applicable. Also provide any additional information. See instructions.

Return Reference	Explanation
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Schedule J
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Compensation Information

For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees
▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.
▶ Attach to Form 990.
▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

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Part I Questions Regarding Compensation		Yes	No
1a Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.			
☐ First-class or charter travel	☐ Housing allowance or residence for personal use		
☐ Travel for companions	☐ Payments for business use of personal residence		
☐ Tax idemnification and gross-up payments	☐ Health or social club dues or initiation fees		
☐ Discretionary spending account	☐ Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef)		
b If any of the boxes on Line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain		1b	
2 Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked on Line 1a?		2	
3 Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III.			
☐ Compensation committee	☐ Written employment contract		
☐ Independent compensation consultant	☐ Compensation survey or study		
☐ Form 990 of other organizations	☐ Approval by the board or compensation committee		
4 During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing organization or a related organization:			
a Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?		4a	No
b Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?		4b	No
c Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?		4c	No
If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.			
Only 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.			
5 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:			
a The organization?		5a	No
b Any related organization?		5b	No
If "Yes," on line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.			
6 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of:			
a The organization?		6a	No
b Any related organization?		6b	No
If "Yes," on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.			
7 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any nonfixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III.		7	No
8 Were any amounts reported on Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III.		8	No
9 If "Yes" on line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?		9	

Note. The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 4a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

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Part III **Supplemental Information**

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II. Also complete this part for any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
PART I, LINE 3	COMMON CAUSE EDUCATION FUND USES THE FOLLOWING TO ESTABLISH COMPENSATION OF THE ORGANIZATION'S PRESIDENT/CEO: COMPENSATION COMMITTEE, WRITTEN EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT, COMPENSATION STUDY OR SURVEY, AND APPROVAL BY THE BOARD OR COMPENSATION COMMITTEE.

SCHEDULE M
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Noncash Contributions

►Complete if the organizations answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 29 or 30.
►Attach to Form 990.
►Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for the latest information.

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Part I

Types of Property

	(a) Check if applicable	(b) Number of contributions or items contributed	(c) Noncash contribution amounts reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g	(d) Method of determining noncash contribution amounts
1 Art—Works of art				
2 Art—Historical treasures . .				
3 Art—Fractional interests . .				
4 Books and publications . .				
5 Clothing and household goods				
6 Cars and other vehicles . . .				
7 Boats and planes				
8 Intellectual property				
9 Securities—Publicly traded .	X	6	29,852	FMV
10 Securities—Closely held stock .				
11 Securities—Partnership, LLC, or trust interests				
12 Securities—Miscellaneous . .				
13 Qualified conservation contribution—Historic structures				
14 Qualified conservation contribution—Other				
15 Real estate—Residential . .				
16 Real estate—Commercial . .				
17 Real estate—Other				
18 Collectibles				
19 Food inventory				
20 Drugs and medical supplies .				
21 Taxidermy				
22 Historical artifacts				
23 Scientific specimens				
24 Archeological artifacts				
25 Other ► ()				
26 Other ► ()				
27 Other ► ()				
28 Other ► ()				

29

Number of Forms 8283 received by the organization during the tax year for contributions for which the organization completed Form 8283, Part IV, Donee Acknowledgement

29

0

30a

During the year, did the organization receive by contribution any property reported in Part I, lines 1 through 28, that it must hold for at least three years from the date of the initial contribution, and which isn't required to be used for exempt purposes for the entire holding period?

30a

Yes

No

No

b

If "Yes," describe the arrangement in Part II.

31

Does the organization have a gift acceptance policy that requires the review of any nonstandard contributions?

31

Yes

No

No

32a

Does the organization hire or use third parties or related organizations to solicit, process, or sell noncash contributions?

32a

Yes

No

No

b

If "Yes," describe in Part II.

33

If the organization didn't report an amount in column (c) for a type of property for which column (a) is checked, describe in Part II.

Part II **Supplemental Information.** Provide the information required by Part I, lines 30b, 32b, and 33, and whether the organization is reporting in Part I, column (b), the number of contributions, the number of items received, or a combination of both. Also complete this part for any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
PART I, COLUMN (B):	THERE WERE 6 SEPARATE CONTRIBUTIONS OF STOCK DURING FY20.

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury

Name of the organization
COMMON CAUSE

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

► Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 1	THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SHALL HAVE AND EXERCISE THE AUTHORITY OF THE NATIONAL GOVERNING BOARD IN THE MANAGEMENT OF COMMON CAUSE BETWEEN MEETINGS OF THE NATIONAL GOVERNING BOARD, EXCEPT THAT THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SHALL NOT HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO ELECT OFFICERS, TO FILL VACANT BOARD OR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE POSITIONS, TO CAUSE THE TERMINATION OF A SITTING BOARD MEMBER, TO CAUSE THE TERMINATION OF THE PRESIDENT, TO AMEND THE CORPORATION'S ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OR BYLAWS, TO ADOPT AN AGREEMENT OF MERGER OR CONSOLIDATION, TO DISPOSE OF ALL OR SUBSTANTIALLY ALL OF COMMON CAUSE'S ASSETS OR TO DISSOLVE THE CORPORATION.

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 6	COMMON CAUSE HAS ONLY ONE CLASS OF MEMBERSHIP, CONSISTING OF THOSE INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO CHOOSE TO JOIN COMMON CAUSE AND MAKE A MONETARY CONTRIBUTION. SUCH MEMBERS HAVE NO VOTING RIGHTS WITHIN THE ORGANIZATION.

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Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11B	THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER PROVIDES THE FORM 990 TO THE AUDIT COMMITTEE FOR REVIEW. ONCE THAT COMMITTEE HAS APPROVED THE DOCUMENT, IT IS SENT TO THE FULL BOARD FOR REVIEW. THE BOARD MEMBERS HAVE TWO (2) DAYS TO RESPOND WITH ANY COMMENTS THEY MIGHT HAVE BEFORE THE DOCUMENT IS FILED.

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C	PROCEDURE FOR MONITORING AND ENFORCING COMPLIANCE WITH THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY: BOARD -- WHENEVER A DIRECTOR, OFFICER, OR COMMITTEE MEMBER BECOMES AWARE OF A POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST, WHETHER FINANCIAL OR OTHERWISE, HE OR SHE SHALL MAKE THE SITUATION KNOWN TO THE BOARD OR GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE (AS THE CASE MIGHT BE) AND PROVIDE ALL FACTS MATERIAL TO UNDERSTANDING THE NATURE AND SCOPE OF THE CONFLICT, INCLUDING WHETHER THE INTERESTED PERSON BELIEVES HIS OR HER ABILITY TO MAKE AN INDEPENDENT DECISION BASED SOLELY ON THE BEST INTEREST OF THE CORPORATION HAS BEEN COMPROMISED. IF THE INTERESTED PERSON INVOLVED DOES NOT MAKE THIS DISCLOSURE, ANOTHER DIRECTOR OR COMMITTEE MEMBER WITH KNOWLEDGE OF THE POTENTIAL CONFLICT SHOULD DRAW IT TO THE BODY'S ATTENTION. THE INTERESTED PERSON WITH THE POTENTIAL CONFLICT MUST RETIRE FROM THE MEETING AND NOT PARTICIPATE IN FINAL DISCUSSION AND VOTING ON THE EXISTENCE OF THE CONFLICT. IF A CONFLICT IS FOUND TO EXIST, THE INTERESTED PERSON MAY BE INVITED TO PROVIDE ANY RELEVANT INFORMATION THAT COULD BE OF USE TO THE BOARD IN MAKING ITS DECISION, BUT SHALL AGAIN RETIRE AND NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE FINAL DISCUSSION AND VOTING REGARDING THE TRANSACTION. THE BOARD OR COMMITTEE'S DECISION SHALL BE BASED ON CONSIDERATION OF WHETHER THE TRANSACTION: A) IS IN THE ORGANIZATION'S BEST INTEREST AND FOR ITS OWN BENEFIT; B) IS FAIR AND REASONABLE TO THE ORGANIZATION; AND C) IS THE MOST ADVANTAGEOUS TRANSACTION OR ARRANGEMENT THE ORGANIZATION CAN OBTAIN WITH REASONABLE EFFORT UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES. STAFF -- WHENEVER A STAFF MEMBER BECOMES AWARE OF A POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST IN AN AREA WHERE HE OR SHE EXERCISES ANY DISCRETION IN CARRYING OUT HIS OR HER DUTIES FOR COMMON CAUSE, HE OR SHE SHALL PROMPTLY DISCLOSE THE POTENTIAL CONFLICT TO AN IMMEDIATE SUPERVISOR OR TO THE PRESIDENT. IF THE PRESIDENT HAS A POTENTIAL CONFLICT, HE OR SHE SHALL DISCLOSE IT TO THE BOARD OR AN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. THE PERSON OR BODY TO WHOM DISCLOSURE IS MADE (HEREINAFTER "SUPERVISOR") SHALL DETERMINE WHETHER THERE IS A CONFLICT THAT REQUIRES RECUSAL OF THE INTERESTED PERSON. WHEN A CONFLICT IS FOUND TO EXIST, THE INTERESTED PERSON SHALL PROVIDE THE SUPERVISOR WITH ALL INFORMATION HE OR SHE HAS RELEVANT TO ANY DECISION TO BE MADE IN WHICH HE OR SHE HAS AN INTEREST, AND THE FINAL DECISION SHALL BE MADE BY THE SUPERVISOR.

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FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15A	PERSONS PROVIDING SERVICES TO COMMON CAUSE ARE EMPLOYED BY COMMON CAUSE EDUCATION FUND ("CCEF"), A SISTER ORGANIZATION. THE NARRATIVE BELOW DESCRIBES CCEF'S COMPENSATION REVIEW PROCESS. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE NATIONAL GOVERNING BOARD CONDUCTS A 360 DEGREE REVIEW OF THE CEO PRIOR TO DETERMINING THE ANNUAL COMPENSATION. THE COMMITTEE INTERVIEWS THE SENIOR STAFF, REVIEWS A COMPARABILITY STUDY, AND THEN CONFERS AS A COMMITTEE. THE COMMITTEE BRINGS ITS RECOMMENDATION TO THE FULL BOARD AT THE LAST BOARD MEETING OF THE YEAR. MINUTES ARE TAKEN OF THE SALARY DELIBERATIONS. OTHER OFFICERS OR KEY EMPLOYEES: THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CONDUCTS A REVIEW OF THE CFO, REVIEWS A COMPARABILITY STUDY, AND THEN CONFERS AS A COMMITTEE. THE COMMITTEE BRINGS ITS RECOMMENDATION TO THE FULL BOARD AT THE LAST BOARD MEETING OF THE YEAR. MINUTES ARE TAKEN OF THE SALARY DELIBERATIONS. THE COMMITTEE DOES NOT REVIEW COMPENSATION OF KEY EMPLOYEES; THAT IS PERFORMED BY MANAGEMENT.

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FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19	COMMON CAUSE SEEKS TO BE FAITHFUL TO ITS MISSION BY BEING OPEN AND ACCOUNTABLE TO OUR MEMBERS AND SUPPORTERS. WE WILL MAKE OUR GOVERNANCE DOCUMENTS, CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION UPON REQUEST. OUR FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE ALSO PART OF OUR ANNUAL REPORT WHICH IS AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE.

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FORM 990, PART XII, LINE 2C	THERE WAS NO CHANGE IN THE REVIEW AND SELECTION PROCESS DURING THE YEAR.

SCHEDULE R
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33, 34, 35b, 36, or 37.
▶ Attach to Form 990.
▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

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Open to Public Inspection

Name of the organization
COMMON CAUSE

Employer identification number
52-6078441

Part I

Identification of Disregarded Entities. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33.

(a) Name, address, and EIN (if applicable) of disregarded entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Total income	(e) End-of-year assets	(f) Direct controlling entity

Part II

Identification of Related Tax-Exempt Organizations. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related tax-exempt organizations during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Exempt Code section	(e) Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3))	(f) Direct controlling entity	(g) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
						Yes	No
(1)COMMON CAUSE EDUCATION FUND 805 15TH STREET SUITE 800 WASHINGTON, DC 20005 31-1705370	CHARITABLE ARM OF COMMON CAUSE	DC	501(C)(3)	LINE 7	COMMON CAUSE	Yes	

Part III Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Partnership. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, because it had one or more related organizations treated as a partnership during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Predominant income(related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512- 514)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V-UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
							Yes	No		Yes	No	

Part IV Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Corporation or Trust. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a corporation or trust during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Type of entity (C corp, S corp, or trust)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of- year assets	(h) Percentage ownership	(i) Section 512(b) (13) controlled entity?	
								Yes	No

Part V Transactions With Related Organizations. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, 35b, or 36.**Note.** Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III, or IV of this schedule.**1** During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?

	Yes	No
a Receipt of (i) interest, (ii) annuities, (iii) royalties, or (iv) rent from a controlled entity	1a	No
b Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s)	1b	No
c Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s)	1c	No
d Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s)	1d	No
e Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s)	1e	No
f Dividends from related organization(s)	1f	No
g Sale of assets to related organization(s)	1g	No
h Purchase of assets from related organization(s)	1h	No
i Exchange of assets with related organization(s)	1i	No
j Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s)	1j	No
k Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s)	1k	No
l Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s)	1l	No
m Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s)	1m	No
n Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s)	1n	Yes
o Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s)	1o	Yes
p Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses	1p	Yes
q Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses	1q	No
r Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s)	1r	No
s Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s)	1s	No

2 If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," see the instructions for information on who must complete this line, including covered relationships and transaction thresholds.

(a) Name of related organization	(b) Transaction type (a-s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
(1)COMMON CAUSE EDUCATION FUND	N	1,037,137	ACTUAL COST
(2)COMMON CAUSE EDUCATION FUND	P	2,559,528	ACTUAL COST
(3)COMMON CAUSE EDUCATIONFUND	O	2,419,322	ACTUAL COST

Provide the following information for each entity taxed as a partnership through which the organization conducted more than five percent of its activities (measured by total assets or gross revenue) that was not a related organization. See instructions regarding exclusion for certain investment partnerships.

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Part VII **Supplemental Information**

Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule R. (see instructions).

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