Form **990**

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No. 1545-0047

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Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

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May	y the I	RS discuss th	is return with	the prepar	rer shown	abov	/e? (see i	nstructio	ons)					Yes	No	

rai	Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III								
1	Briefly describe the organization's mission:								
	TO PROVIDE STRATEGIC ASSISTANCE TO ORGANIZATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE TARGETED BY								
	THE GOVERNMENT ON ACCOUNT OF THEIR POLITICAL, RELIGIOUS, OR IDEOLOGICAL BELIEFS.								
									
2	Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior	v 🗔 u							
	Form 990 or 990-EZ?	Yes X No							
2	If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O. Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services?	Vec V No							
5	If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.	Yes X No							
4	Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measure	ed hy expenses							
-	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the t	total expenses,							
	and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.								
<u> </u>	a (Code:) (Expenses \$ 150,829. including grants of \$ 50,000.) (Revenue \$)							
→ u	TO PROVIDE STRATEGIC ASSISTANCE TO ORGANIZATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE TA	RGETED BY							
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4 b	o (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)							
4 c	c (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)							
4 d	d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.)								
	(Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)							
10	a Total program service expenses ► 150 829								

Form 990 (2018) Defending Liberty Inc 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		Х
2	Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors (see instructions)?	2	Χ	
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		Х
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		Х
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		Х
7	Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part II</i>	7		Х
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part III.	8		Х
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		Х
10	Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part V.</i>	10		Х
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.			
а	Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part VI</i>	11 a		Х
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.	11 b		Х
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.	11 c		Х
c	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.	11 d		Х
e	Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part X	11 e		Х
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)? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part X.</i>	11 f		Х
12 a	Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII	12a		Х
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		Х
13	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule E	13		Χ
14 a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	14a		Х
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		Х
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? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV</i>	15		Х
	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? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV</i> .	16		Х
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		Х
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		X
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		X
20a	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule H</i>	20a		Х
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	X	

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			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? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule I, Parts I and III	22		Х
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	X	
24 a	a 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? If 'Yes,' answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If 'No, 'go to line 25a	24a		Х
ı	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b		
(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		
25 a	a 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? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part I	25a		Х
I	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? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part I	25b		Х
26	Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part II.	26		X
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part III.</i>	27		Х
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):			
ä	A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV	28a		X
I	A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV	28b		Х
(An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV	28c		Х
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule M	29		X
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		Х
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule N, Part I	31		X
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule N, Part II.	32		Х
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		Х
	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1.	34	Х	
35 a	a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35a		X
ı	o 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)? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2	35b		
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		Х
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	Х	
Pa	TV Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance			
	Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V		Yes	No
1:	a Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable		.03	.10
	a Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable			
_ (Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	1 c	X	
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Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance (continued)

			Yes	No
2 8	a 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			
	a If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns?	2b		
	Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to <i>e-file</i> (see instructions)			
3 8	a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	3 a		Х
ı	1 If 'Yes,' has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? <i>If 'No' to line 3b, provide an explanation in Schedule O.</i>	3 b		
4 8	a 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)?	4 a		Х
ı	o 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).			
5 8	a Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5 a		Х
	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5 b		X
•	: If 'Yes,' to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	5 c		Х
6 8	a 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?	6 a	Х	
ı	olf 'Yes,' did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	6 b	Χ	
7	Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).			
á	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?	7 a		
	If 'Yes,' did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7 b		
•	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7 c		
	I If 'Yes,' indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	,,		
	e Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7 e		
	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7 f		
9	g If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7 g		
ı	n If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	7 h		
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		
	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.			
	a Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?	9 a		
	Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	9 b		
	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:			
	a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12			
	Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter:			
	a Gross income from members or shareholders			
	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources			
	against amounts due or received from them.)	12 a		
	b If 'Yes,' enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	IZa		
	Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.			
	a Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state?	13a		
	Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.			
ı	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			
•	Enter the amount of reserves on hand			
14 a	a Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14a		Х
ı	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?	15		Х
1.		10		Х
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		^

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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 . . . 2 Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other 2 Χ 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 Χ Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed? Χ 4 X Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?.... 5 Χ Did the organization have members or stockholders?..... 6 7 a 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?..... 7 a Χ **b** Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?..... Χ 7 b Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following: Χ a The governing body?.... 8 a X **b** Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?..... 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 Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.) Yes No 10 a Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?..... Χ 10 a 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? 10 b 11 a Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?............. Χ b Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990. See Schedule O Χ 12a Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If 'No,' go to line 13...... 12a b Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise Χ 12b to conflicts?..... **c** Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? *If 'Yes,' describe in Schedule O how this was done* ... See .Schedule .Q Χ 12c 13 Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?..... 13 Χ Χ **14** Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?..... 14 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? Χ a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official...... 15 a **b** Other officers or key employees of the organization..... 15 b X 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? Χ 16 a 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?.. 16 b Section C. Disclosure List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed \rightarrow None Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (1024 or 1024-A if applicable), 990, and 990-T (Section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply. X Upon request Another's website X Other (explain in Schedule O) See Sch. O Describe in Schedule 0 whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to 19 the public during the tax year. See Schedule O State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records

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Part VII 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.....

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

- 1 a 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, and 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.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons

employees; and former such persons. Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee. (C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a (B) (E) (F) Name and Title Reportable Reportable Estimated Average hours director/trustee) compensation from compensation from amount of other per week (list any compensation from the organization the organization (W-2/1099-MISC) related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC) Officer ndividual nstitutional trustee lighest compensated ormer employee hours for and related related organizations organiza tions helow dotted (1) MARK MECKLER 1 40 **CEO** Χ Χ 0 219,190 25,045. (2) ERIC O'KEEFE 0 1 Χ 0 Director 0 0. (3) CARLA SONTAG 1 0 Director Χ 0 0 0. (4) MICHAEL RUTHENBERG 1 Secretary 40 Χ 0 106,747. 18,889. (5) TIMOTHY MURPHY 0 CFO 0 Χ 0 0. 0. (6) (7) (8) (9) (10) (11)(12)(13)(14)

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Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)												
(A) Name and title (B) Average hours per per week (C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						n an tee)	(D) Reportable compensation from	(E) Reportable compensation from	amo	(F)	ther	
	(list any hours for related organiza - tions below dotted line)	Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former	the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	f org an	npensati rom the panization d relate anizatio	on d
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(25)												
1 b Sub-total							>	0.	325,937.		43,	934.
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section							>	0.	0.			0.
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)								0.	325,937.			934.
2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited from the organization ► 0	to those i	istea	abov	ve) \	WNO	recei	vea	more than \$100,00	or reportable com	pensatio		1
Did the organization list any former officer, direction line 1a? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule J for suc	tor, or tru	stee,	key	/ em	nplo	yee,	or h	nighest compensa	ted employee	. 3	Yes	No
For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of the organization and related organizations greater.	reportab	le co	mpe	ensa	ation	and	oth	er compensation	from	. 3		X
such individual										. 4	Х	
for services rendered to the organization? If 'Yes	s,' comple	te So	chea	lule	J fo	r suc	h p	erson		. 5	X	
Section B. Independent Contractors 1 Complete this table for your five highest compensus	cated ind	onon	dont		ntra	ctorc	tha	t received more t	han \$100 000 of			
compensation from the organization. Report compen	sation for	the c	alen	dar <u>j</u>	year	endii	ng v	vith or within the or	rganization's tax yea	r.		
(A) Name and business addr	ress							Description (of services	Compe	C) ensatio	on
2 Total number of independent contractors (including b \$100,000 of compensation from the organization		ited to	o tha	se I	isted	abo	ve)	who received more	than			

	Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any	/ line in this Part VI	II		
		(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1 a Federated campaigns 1 a b Membership dues 1 b c Fundraising events 1 c d Related organizations 1 d e Government grants (contributions) 1 e f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above 1 f 180,000				
를 증	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$				
<u>පි</u>		180,000.			
Program Service Revenue	Business Code 2 a b c d e f All other program service revenue				
ě	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f				
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest and other similar amounts)				
	e Total. Add lines 11a-11d	100 000	0.	0	0
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Form 990 (2018) Defending Liberty Inc Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4)	organizations must complete al	l columns. All other organizations i	must complete column (A).
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-	Crieck if Scriedule O contains a r		(B)	(C)	(D)
Do 1 6b,	not include amounts reported on lines 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.	(A) Total expenses	Program service expenses	Management and general expenses	Fundráising expenses
1	Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21	50,000.	50,000.		
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 5	Benefits paid to or for members	0.	0.	0.	0.
6	Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	0.	0.	0.	0.
7	Other salaries and wages	555.		555.	
8	Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)				
9	Other employee benefits				
10	Payroll taxes				
11	Fees for services (non-employees):				
a	Management	52,500.	52,500.		
Ł	Legal	46,458.	46,079.	379.	
c	: Accounting	5,774.	- ,	5,774.	
c	I Lobbying	- 1		- 1	
e	Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
g	Investment management fees				
13	Office expenses	43.		43.	
14	Information technology	4,500.	2,250.	2,250.	
15	Royalties	1,300.	2,200.	2/200.	
16	Occupancy				
17	Travel	461.		461.	
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials	1011		101.	
19	Conferences, conventions, and meetings				
20	Interest				
21	Payments to affiliates				
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization				
23 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	'				
t	?				
c	; 				
e	All other expenses				
25	Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	160,291.	150,829.	9,462.	0.
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)				

(A) Beginning of year 1 Cash – non-interest-bearing. 189, 327. 2 Savings and temporary cash investments. 3 Pledges and grants receivable, net. 4 Accounts receivable, net 5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	(B) End of year 223, 900.
2 Savings and temporary cash investments. 3 Pledges and grants receivable, net. 4 Accounts receivable, net. 5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors.	2 3 4 5 6 7	223,900.
3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	3 4 5 6 7	
4 Accounts receivable, net	5 6 7	
5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors.	5 6 7	
5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors,	6 7	
trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L	6 7	
6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions). Complete Part II of Schedule L		
	R	
7 Notes and loans receivable, net	•	
9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	9	
10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D		
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	15	
	16	223,900.
	17	24,732.
	18	24,752.
	19	
20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities	20	
21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D	21	
21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D	22	
23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties	23	
	24	
25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties,	25	
26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	26	24,732.
Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ► X and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.		
§ 27 Unrestricted net assets	27	199,168.
28 Temporarily restricted net assets.	28	
29 Permanently restricted net assets.	29	
lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34. 27 Unrestricted net assets		
30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds	30	
31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund	31	
32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds	32	
33 Total net assets or fund balances 179, 459.	33	199,168.
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances. 189, 327.	34	223,900.

P۵	rt XI Reconciliation of Net Assets		-		
ı a	Check 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).			80,0	
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25).	_		60,2	
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3			709.
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4			159.
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments.	5		10,-	133.
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					
	column (B))	10	1	99,1	L68.
Pa	rt XII Financial Statements and Reporting				
	Check 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:				
	If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked 'Other,' explain				
	in Schedule O.				
2	a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?		2a	Х	
	If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or review	ed on a			
	separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: X Separate basis Consolidated basis Both consolidated and separate basis				
			21-		Х
	b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?		2b		Λ
	If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separa basis, consolidated basis, or both:	ite			
	Separate basis Consolidated basis Both consolidated and separate basis				
	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?		2 c		X
	If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.				
3	a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single				
3	Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		3 a		Χ
	b If 'Yes,' did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit	it			
	or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits	<u></u>	3 b		
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Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

Schedule of Contributors

► Attach to Form 990, Form 990-EZ, or Form 990-PF. ► Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for the latest information. OMB No. 1545-0047

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efending Liberty Inc 81-2320022					
Organization type (check one):					
Filers of:	Section:				
Form 990 or 990-EZ	X = 501(c)(4) (enter number) organization	١			
	4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust not	treated as a private foundation			
	527 political organization				
Form 990-PF	501(c)(3) exempt private foundation				
orm 990-PF					
501(c)(3) taxable private foundation					
Check if your organization is covered by the General	al Rule or a Special Rule.				
Note: Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) org	ganization can check boxes for both the General I	Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.			
General Rule					
X For an organization filing Form 990, 990-E property) from any one contributor. Compl	Z, or 990-PF that received, during the year, contr ete Parts I and II. See instructions for determining	ributions totaling \$5,000 or more (in money or ig a contributor's total contributions.			
Special Rules					
under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)	01(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 3, that checked Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Pathe year, total contributions of the greater of (1) 90-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.	rt II. line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that			
For an organization described in section 5 during the year, total contributions of more purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty t contributor name and address), II, and III.	01(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ the than \$1,000 <i>exclusively</i> for religious, charitable, o children or animals. Complete Parts I (entering	nat received from any one contributor, scientific, literary, or educational y 'N/A' in column (b) instead of the			
For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions exclusively for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an exclusively religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Don't complete any of the parts unless the General Rule applies to this organization because it received nonexclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year					
990-PF), but it must answer 'No' on Part IV. Ii	the General Rule and/or the Special Rules doesn ne 2, of its Form 990; or check the box on line H e filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 99	of its Form 990-EZ or on its Form 990-PF.			

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Part I	Contributors (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional s	pace is needed.	
(a) Number	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1		\$ <u>25,000</u> .	Person X Payroll Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) Number	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
2		\$ <u>15,000</u> .	Person X Payroll Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) Number	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
3		\$ <u>140,000</u> .	Person X Payroll Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) Number	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
		\$	Person Payroll Oncash Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) Number	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
		\$	Person Payroll Oncash Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) Number	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
		\$ 	Person Payroll Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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Name of organization Employer identification number

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(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions.)	(d) Date received
<u>N/A</u>			
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(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions.)	(d) Date received
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		\$	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions.)	(d) Date received
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Name of organization		
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	Use duplicate copies of Part III if additional	completing Part III, enter the total of (Enter this information once. See it I space is needed.	nstructions.)	
(a) o. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held	
	N/A			
		(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, addre	ss, and ZIP + 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee	
(a) o. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held	
	Transferee's name, addre	(e) Transfer of gift ss, and ZIP + 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee	
(a) No. from Part I				
	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held	
		(e)		
	(e) Transfer of gift Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
(a) . from	(b) (c)		(d)	
from	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held	
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Part I				
Part I	Transferee's name, addre	(e) Transfer of gift ss, and ZIP + 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee	

Part III Exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions to organizations described in section 501(c)(7), (8),

CHEDULE I	
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Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations, Governments, and Individuals in the United States

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22. ► Attach to Form 990.

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Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance	81-2320022	
1 Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance?		N _O

Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on

Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

1 (a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section (if applicable)	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of noncash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
(1) <u>Donors Trust Inc</u>	52-2166327 501.c.3	501.c.3	.000	.0			operating support
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(8)							
2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organization	3) and government o	rganizations listed	s listed in the line 1 table				1
3 Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table	ons listed in the line	1 table				•	0
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Part III Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 22. Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

	(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of noncash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of noncash assistance
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Part IV	Part IV Supplemental Information. Provide the information		required in Part I,	line 2; Part III, col	umn (b); and any othe	required in Part I, line 2; Part III, column (b); and any other additional information.

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SCHEDULE J (Form 990)

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.

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Pa	rt I Questions Regarding Compensation			
			Yes	No
1 :	a 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 indemnification and gross-up payments Health or social club dues or initiation fees			
	Discretionary spending account Personal services (such as maid, chauffeur, chef)			
ı	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, and 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?			X
	b Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?			X
•	c Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?	4 с		X
	If 'Yes' to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.			
	Only section 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:			
i	a The organization?	5а		Х
I	b Any related organization?	5 b		X
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:			
i	a The organization?	6а		Х
ı	b Any related organization?	6b		Х
	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 on lines 5 and 6? If 'Yes,' describe in Part III.	7		Х
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		Х
9	If 'Yes' on line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations	0		

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Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed. Part II For each individual whose compensation must be reported on Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that aren't listed on Form 990, Part VII.

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 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

				:				
		(B) Breakdown of	(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation	compensation	(C) Retirement	(D) Nontaxable	(F) Total of	
(A) Name and Title		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation	deferred compensation	benefits	columns(B) (i)-(D)	deferred on prior
MARK MECKLER	Θ		0	0.	0.	0.		
1 CEO	(ii)	-219,190.	0.		0.	-25,045.	244,235	
	(I)							
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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.

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SCHEDULE 0 (Form 990 or 990-EZ)

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.

► Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for the latest information.

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Employer identification number 81-2320022

Form 990, Part VI, Line 11b - Form 990 Review Process

990 is prepared by the organization's CPA, and then is reviewed by management prior to distribution to the board for their review and approval.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 12c - Explanation of Monitoring and Enforcement of Conflicts

Conflicts are documented, and organization's counsel ensures that in matters where a conflict may exist, that the conflicted member recuses him/herself in any discussion or votes where conflicts could exist.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 18 - Explanation of Other Means Forms Available For Public Inspection

990 is available on Guidestar.org, and is available upon written request.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 19 - Other Organization Documents Publicly Available

Articles of incorporation, bylaws, and year-end financial statements are made available.

∝ SCHEDULE (Form 990)

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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.

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(g) Sec 512(b)(13) controlled entity? (f)
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entity S × × × Yes 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. (f)
Direct controlling entity N/AN/A N/A (e) End-of-year assets (e)
Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3)) Part I Identification of Disregarded Entities. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 33. **(d)** Total income (**d)** Exempt Code section C.3 501.C.4 501.C.4 (c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country) 501 (c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country) X ΧĽ X **(b)** Primary activity **(b)** Primary activity EDUCATION ADVOCACY ADVOCACY | | | | | | | 1 1 1 | | | (a) Name, address, and EIN (if applicable) of disregarded entity (a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization CITIZENS FOR SELF GOVERNANCE 5850 SAN FELIPE #575A HOUSTON, TX 77057 ----(3) CONVENTION OF STATES ACTION | 5850 SAN FELIPE #580A | HOUSTON, TX 77057 | 47-2245708 | TX 77057 (2) CSG ACTION - 5850 SAN FELIPE #585 - HOUSTON, TX 77057 - - 27-4648506 ı | | | I | (9) (E) 3 3 4

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(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(a) ress, and EIN of Primary activity responsible controlling (state or entity foreign country)	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign		Predominant income Share of total Share of come end-of-y excluded from tax under sections 512-514)	income Selated, m tax ions (1)	Share of total income	Share of end-of-year assets	of rear s	ropor- nate ations?	Code V-UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	General or managing partner?	(K) Percentage ownership
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Part IV Identification of Ine 34, because	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.	izations nore rela	Taxable as ted organiz	a Corporations treate	on or Tru	st. Complet	te if the or r trust dur	ganizatior ing the ta	answer x year.	ed 'Yes' on F	orm 990, I	oart IV,
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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.				Yes	ž
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?	sted in Parts II-IV?				
a Receipt of (i) interest, (ii) annuities, (iii) royalties, or (iv) rent from a controlled entity					×
b Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s)			1 b		×
c Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s).			: ا		×
d Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s)			٦ ا م		×
e Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s)			1 9		×
f Dividends from related organization(s)			11		×
g Sale of assets to related organization(s)			. 1g		X
h Purchase of assets from related organization(s)			1 h		×
i Exchange of assets with related organization(s)			=		×
j Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s)			1 <u>-</u>		×
k Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s)					×
I Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s)			=		×
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n Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s)			- -		×
o Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s)			10		×
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r Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s)			-		×
s Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s)			. 1s		×
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	ed relationships and tran	saction thresholds.			
(a) Name of related organization	(b) Transaction type (a-s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved	(d) f deterr nt involv	mining ved
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Part VI Unrelated Organizations Taxable as a Partnership. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 37.

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.

(a) (b) (c) (d) (d) (e) Same, address, and EIN of entity (state or foreign income section total partners (state or foreign income section total solution) (related lines.	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign	(d) Predominant income	(e) Are all partners section 501(c)(3)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year	(h) Disproportionate	Code V-UBI amount in box	General or managing	(k) Percentage ownership
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Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule R. See instructions.