Form **990**

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

OMB No. 1545-0047

Open to Public Inspection

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

The organization

► The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

| \overline{A} | Fort | the 2006 calen | dar year, | or tax year beginning | , 200 | 6, and e | nding | | | , | |
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| В | Check | if applicable: | | С | - | | | D | Employer lo | dentification Numb | er |
| | XA | ddress change | Please use IRS label | CREATIVE COMMONS | | | | | 04-35 | 85301 | |
| | _ | ame change | or print or type. | 171 SECOND STREET | | | | E | Telephone | number | |
| | - | nitial return | See specific | SAN FRANCISCO, CA | 94105 | | | | 415-3 | 69-8480 | |
| | \vdash | inal return | instruc- tions | | | | | F | Accounting method: | Cash | X Accrual |
| | - | mended return | | | | | | | | (specify) | |
| | - | pplication pending | • Section | on 501(c)(3) organizations a | and 4947(aV1) nonevern | nt | H and l | are not applicabl | | | |
| | ш" | pphodion pending | charit | able trusts must attach a c | ompleted Schedule A | | | Is this a group re | | | s X No |
| | | | • | 990 or 990-EZ). | | | H (b) | If 'Yes,' enter nu | mber of affilia | ites ► | |
| G | Web | site: ► WWW. | CREATI | VECOMMONS.ORG | | | H (c) | Are all affiliates | included? | Ye: | s No |
| J | Orga | nization type | | | | _ | | (If 'No,' attach a | list. See ınstr | uctions.) | _ |
| | (che | ck only one) | · · · · · · · · · | X 501(c) 3 ◄ (inse | t no.) 4947(a)(1) or | 527 | H (d) | Is this a separate | | | |
| K | | | _ | zation is not a 509(a)(3) su | | | | organization cove | | 10 | s X No |
| | gros | s receipts are | normally r | not more than \$25,000. A real return, be sure to file a co | eturn is not required, but amplete return | | <u> </u> | Group Exem | 1 | | |
| | | | | <u> </u> | · | | M | | | ization is not requ | |
| | | | | o, 9b, and 10b to line 12 ! | | | | | | 990, 990-EZ, or 990 |)-PF). |
| Pa | ırt I | 2//2///20 | • | ses, and Changes in | | Balan | ces | (See the ir | nstructio | <u>าร.)</u> | |
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| | l | | | advised funds | | | | 005.0 | | | |
| | | • | • • | ot included on line 1a) | | | | 805,8 | /3. | | |
| | | • | | (not included on line 1a) | | | _ | | | | |
| | d | Government | contributio | ns (grants) (not included or | n line 1a) | <u>1d</u> | | | | | |
| | | | | 789,348. noncasi | | | | | | 80 | 5,873. |
| | 2 | _ | | ue including government fee | · | | | · | | | |
| | 3 | • | | assessments | | | | | | | |
| | 4 | | • | temporary cash investmen | | | | | | | 7,119. |
| | 5 | | | from securities | | 1 | 1 | | 5 | | |
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| | | c Net rental income or (loss). Subtract line 6b from line 6a | | | | | | | | | |
| R | 7 | Other investn | nent incon | ne (describe 🟲 | (A) Securities | | | (D) OII |) 7 | | |
| CZM <au< th=""><th>8a</th><th></th><th></th><th>es of assets other</th><th></th><th></th><th></th><th>(B) Other</th><th></th><th></th><th></th></au<> | 8a | | | es of assets other | | | | (B) Other | | | |
| Ñ | | | - | | | 8a | | _ | | | |
| Ĕ | | | | s and sales expenses | | 8b | | | | | |
| | | | | e) | | 8c | | | | | |
| | | , | • | bine line 8c, columns (A) a | ` ' | | | | 8d | | |
| | | | | vities (attach schedule). If a uding \$ | | | ск пе | ere – | | | |
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| | | | | j | | | | | | | |
| | | | _ | es of inventory (attach schedule). S | | | | | 10 c | | |
| | 11 | | • | rt VII, line 103) | | | | | | -2 | 3,389. |
| | 12 | | | s 1e, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6c, 7, 8d, 9 | | | | | | | 0,409. |
| | 13 | | | line 44, column (B)) | | | | | | | 2,466. |
| X | 14 | - | | al (from line 44, column (C | | | | | | | 9,019. |
| P E | 15 | = | - | 4, column (D)) | • • | | | | | | 0,928. |
| EXPENSES | 16 | | | attach schedule) | | | | | | 210 | ., , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , |
| E S | 17 | | | es 16 and 44, column (A). | | | | | | 2 11' | 2,413. |
| _ | 18 | | | ne year. Subtract line 17 fro | | | | | | -1,642 | |
| A S S S E T T | 19 | | | nces at beginning of year (f | | | | | | | 7,232. |
| ËE | 20 | | | sets or fund balances (atta | | | | | | | 541. |
| ' T S | 21 | _ | | nces at end of year. Combi | | | | | | 1 201 | $\frac{341.}{5,769.}$ |
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Part II Statement of Functional Expenses All organizations must complete column (A). Columns (B), (C), and (D) are

| 22a Grants paid from donor advised funds (attach sch) (cash \$ | | | | | | | |
|---|----------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| funds (attach sch) (cash \$ | | | | | | | |
| non-cash \$ | | | | | | | |
| If this amount includes foreign grants, check here 22a 22b Other grants and allocations (att sch) (cash \$ non-cash \$ 1 If this amount includes foreign grants, check here 22b 23 Specific assistance to individuals (attach schedule) 23 24 Benefits paid to or for members | | | | | | | |
| foreign grants, check here . | | | | | | | |
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| (cash \$ | | | | | | | |
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| foreign grants, check here | | | | | | | |
| (attach schedule) | | | | | | | |
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| 25a Compensation of current officers, directors, key employees, etc listed in | | | | | | | |
| Part V-A (attach sch) 25a 88,950. 6,473. 71,478. | 10,999. | | | | | | |
| b Compensation of former officers, directors, key employees, etc listed in Part V-B (attach sch) | 0. | | | | | | |
| Part V-B (attach sch) | | | | | | | |
| included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons | | | | | | | |
| described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) | 0 | | | | | | |
| (attach schedule) | 0. | | | | | | |
| 26 Salaries and wages of employees not included on lines 25a, b, and c | 119,302. | | | | | | |
| Pension plan contributions not included on lines 25a, b, and c | | | | | | | |
| 28 Employee benefits not included on | 8,260. | | | | | | |
| lines 25a - 27. | 13,578. | | | | | | |
| 29 76,155. 51,293. 11,284. 30 Professional fundraising fees. 30 22,395. | 22,395. | | | | | | |
| 31 Accounting fees | | | | | | | |
| 32 Legal fees | | | | | | | |
| 33 Supplies | | | | | | | |
| 34 Telephone | | | | | | | |
| 35 Postage and shipping | | | | | | | |
| 36 Occupancy | | | | | | | |
| 37 Equipment rental and maintenance 37 38 Printing and publications | | | | | | | |
| 39 Travel 39 511,580. 493,234. 18,346. | | | | | | | |
| 40 Conferences, conventions, and meetings | | | | | | | |
| 41 Interest | | | | | | | |
| 42 Depreciation, depletion, etc (attach schedule) 42 14, 269 | | | | | | | |
| 43 Other expenses not covered above (itemize): | 26 204 | | | | | | |
| | 36,394. | | | | | | |
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| d43c | | | | | | | |
| e 43e | | | | | | | |
| f 43f | | | | | | | |
| g 43g | | | | | | | |
| 44 Total functional expenses. Add lines 22a | | | | | | | |
| (B) - (D), carry these totals to lines 13 - 15) 44 2,442,413 . 1,892,466 . 339,019 . 2 | 210,928. | | | | | | |
| oint Costs. Check. if you are following SOP 98-2. | | | | | | | |
| re any joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation reported in (B) Program services? | | | | | | | |
| \$; (iii) the amount allocated to Management and general \$; and (iv) the amount a | | | | | | | |
| to Fundraising \$ | | | | | | | |

Form 990 (2006) CREATIVE COMMONS CORPORATION Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

| Form 990 is available for public inspection and, for some people, serves as the primary or sole source of information about a particular |
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| organization. How the public perceives an organization in such cases may be determined by the information presented on its return. Therefore |
| please make sure the return is complete and accurate and fully describes, in Part III, the organization's programs and accomplishments. |

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| What is the organization's prin | mary exempt purpose? Some their exempt purpose achie | EE STATEMENT 4 | State the number of | Program Service Expenses (Required for 501(c)(3) and |
| clients served, publications issuizations and 4947(a)(1) nonex | ied, etc. Discuss achievements the empt charitable trusts must a | vements in a clear and concise manner nat are not measurable. (Section 501(c)(3) Iso enter the amount of grants and allo | and (4) organ- cations to others.) | (Required for 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) trusts; but optional for others.) |
| a SEE STATEMENT 5 | | | | |
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| (Grants and allocations | \$ |) If this amount includes foreign grants, | check here ► | 1,892,466. |
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| (Grants and allocations | • |) If this amount includes foreign grants, e 44, column (B), Program services) | | 1 002 466 |
| T Total of Program Servic | Expenses (should equal line | ++, coluilli (b), Frogram Services) | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | 1,892,466. |

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| Pa | rt IV | Balance Sheets (See the instructions.) | | | |
|----------------------------|-------|--|--------------------------|---------------|--------------------|
| No | te: V | Where required, attached schedules and amounts within the description olumn should be for end-of-year amounts only. | (A) Beginning of year | | (B) End of year |
| | 45 | Cash — non-interest-bearing | | 45 | |
| | 46 | Savings and temporary cash investments | 1,133,805. | 46 | 1,429,432. |
| | 47 a | Accounts receivable | | | |
| | | Less: allowance for doubtful accounts | | 47 c | |
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| | 48 a | Pledges receivable | | | |
| | b | Less: allowance for doubtful accounts | | 48 c | 200,376. |
| | | Grants receivable | 2,405,000. | 49 | 250,000. |
| | 50 a | Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, and key employees (attach schedule) | | 50 a | |
| | ь | Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) (attach schedule) | | 50 b | |
| A S S E T S | 51 a | Other notes and loans receivable (attach schedule) | | | |
| T S | b | Less: allowance for doubtful accounts | | 51 c | |
| | I | Inventories for sale or use | | 52 | |
| | 53 | Prepaid expenses and deferred charges | 27,749. | 53 | 22,356. |
| | 54a | Investments – publicly-traded securities STMT 6 ▶ ☐ Cost X FMV | | 54 a | 17,066. |
| | 1 | Investments – other securities (attach sch) | | 54 b | |
| | 55 a | Investments - land, buildings, & equipment: basis 55a | | and the same | |
| | b | Less: accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) | | 55 c | |
| | 56 | Investments – other (attach schedule) | | 56 | |
| | 57 a | Land, buildings, and equipment: basis | | 200 | |
| | b | Less: accumulated depreciation (attach schedule)STATEMENT7 57b 37,922. | 24,760. | 57 c | 20,513. |
| | 58 | Other assets, including program-related investments | | | |
| | | (describe SEE STATEMENT 8) | | 58 | 23,234. |
| _ | | Total assets (must equal line 74). Add lines 45 through 58 | 3,591,314. | 59 | 1,962,977. |
| | 60 | Accounts payable and accrued expenses | 54,082. | 60 | 47,999. |
| | 61 | Grants payable | | 61 | |
| į | 62 | Deferred revenue | | 62 | |
| B | 63 | Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and key employees (attach schedule) | | 63 | |
| Ļ | 64 a | Tax-exempt bond liabilities (attach schedule) | | 64a | |
| Ť | l | Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule) | | 64 b | |
| É | 1 | Other liabilities (describe SEE STATEMENT 9) | | 65 | 19,209. |
| | | Total liabilities. Add lines 60 through 65 | 54,082. | 66 | 67,208. |
| | Orga | anizations that follow SFAS 117, check here X and complete lines 67 | , | | , |
| Ž T | - | through 69 and lines 73 and 74. | | - Parity Hall | |
| | 67 | Unrestricted | 1,132,232. | 67 | 972,023. |
| ASSETS | 68 | Temporarily restricted | 2,405,000. | 68 | 923,746. |
| Ť | | Permanently restricted | | 69 | |
| Q R | Orga | anizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here and complete lines | | | |
| | | 70 through 74. | | | |
| UZCT | | Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds | | 70 | |
| | | Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, and equipment fund. | | 71 | |
| Ĺ | | Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds | | 72 | |
| BベーベアひE の | | Total net assets or fund balances. Add lines 67 through 69 or lines 70 through 72. (Column (A) must equal line 19 and column (B) must equal line 21) | 3,537,232. | 73 | 1,895,769. |
| _ | 74 | Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances. Add lines 66 and 73 | 3,591,314. | 74 | 1,962,977. |

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| P | art IV-A Reconciliation of Revening instructions.) | nue per Audited Financia | Statements with | | urn (See the |
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| | instructions.) | | | | |
| а | Total revenue, gains, and other support | | ents | | a 832,163 |
| b | Amounts included on line a but not o | · | 11 | | |
| | 1Net unrealized gains on investments. | | | 541. | |
| | 2Donated services and use of facilities | | | 31,213. | |
| | 3Recoveries of prior year grants | | | | |
| | 4Other (specify): | | L.4 | | |
| | Add lines b1 through b4 | | | | b 31,754 |
| С | Subtract line b from line a | | | | c 800,409 |
| ď | Amounts included on Part I, line 12, I | | | | |
| _ | 1 Investment expenses not included on | | d1 | | |
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| | Add lines d1 and d2 | | | | d |
| e | Total revenue (Part I, line 12). Add li | nes c and d | | | e 800,409 |
| P | art IV-B Reconciliation of Expe | nses per Audited F <u>i</u> nanci | <u>al State</u> ments with | Expenses per R | eturn |
| | | | | | 0 470 606 |
| а | Total expenses and losses per audite | | • | | a 2,473,626 |
| b | Amounts included on line a but not or 1 Donated services and use of facilities | | ы1 | 31,213. | |
| | 2Prior year adjustments reported on P | | | 31,213. | |
| | 3Losses reported on Part I, line 20 | art 1, line 20 | b3 | | + |
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| | 4Other (specify): | | | | |
| | Add lines b1 through b4 | | | | b 31,213 |
| С | Subtract line b from line a | | | | c 2,442,413 |
| d | Amounts included on Part I, line 17, I | | | | |
| | 1 Investment expenses not included on | | d1 | | |
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| | Add lines d1 and d2 | | | _ | d |
| e | Total expenses (Part I, line 17). Add | lines c and d | <u> </u> | <u></u> ► | e 2,442,413. |
| P | Current Officers, Direct or key employee at any time | tors, Trustees, and Key E | mployees (List each | n person who was an | officer, director, trustee, |
| | or ney employee at any time | (B) Title and average hours | (C) Compensation | (D) Contributions to | |
| | (A) Name and address | per week devoted to position | (if not paid, enter -0-) | employee benefit plans and deferred | account and other |
| | | to position | enter -0-7 | compensation plans | |
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| SE | E STATEMENT 10 | | 88,950. | 0 | . 0. |
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| Form 990 (2006) CREATIVE COMMONS CORPO | | | 04-3585 | 301 Page 6 | | | |
| Part V-A Current Officers, Directors, Tru | | | | Yes No | | | |
| 75 a Enter the total number of officers, directors, and trustees p b Are any officers, directors, trustees, or key emlisted in Schedule A, Part I, or highest comper A, Part II-A or II-B, related to each other through identifies the individuals and explains the relationship. | nployees listed in Form nsated professional and ligh family or business | 990, Part V-A, or highed other independent cor | est compensated emplo ntractors listed in Sched | yees Jule 75b X | | | |
| c Do any officers, directors, trustees, or key employees listed in form 990, Part V-A, or highest compensated employees listed in Schedule A, Part I, or highest compensated professional and other independent contractors listed in Schedule A, Part II-A or II-B, receive compensation from any other organizations, whether tax exempt or taxable, that are related to the organization? See the instructions for the definition of 'related organization' | | | | | | | |
| If 'Yes,' attach a statement that includes the in | | | | | | | |
| d Does the organization have a written conflict of | of interest policy? | | ····· | 75 d X | | | |
| Part V-B Former Officers, Directors, True Benefits (If any former officer, directed during the year, list that person below a the instructions.) | or, trustee, or key emp | loyee received compen- | sation or other benefits | (described below) | | | |
| (A) Name and address | (B) Loans and Advances | (C) Compensation (if not paid, enter -0-) | (D) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation plans | (E) Expense account and other allowances | | | |
| NONE | | | | | | | |
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| Part VI Other Information (See the instr | ructions) | | | Vac No | | | |
| 76 Did the organization make a change in its activity if 'Yes,' attach a detailed statement of each ch | vities or methods of co | nducting activities? | | Yes No X | | | |
| 77 Were any changes made in the organizing or g | • | | | | | | |
| If 'Yes,' attach a conformed copy of the change | - | • | | | | | |
| 78a Did the organization have unrelated business of | | or more during the year | or covered by this return | ? 78a X | | | |
| b If 'Yes,' has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T | for this year? | | | 78b N/A | | | |
| 79 Was there a liquidation, dissolution, terminatio year? If 'Yes,' attach a statement | n, or substantial contra | action during the | | 79 X | | | |
| 80 a Is the organization related (other than by assor | ciation with a statewide | e or nationwide organiza | ation) through common | 100 mm 20 mm | | | |
| b If 'Yes,' enter the name of the organization ► | ICOMMONS LTD. | | | | | | |
| | and ch | eck whether it is X ex | rempt or nonexen | npt. | | | |
| 81 a Enter direct and indirect political expenditures. | (See line 81 instruction | ins.) | 81 a | 0. | | | |
| b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for thi | s year? | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | | | | |
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| Part VI Other Information (continued) | | | Yes | No | |
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| 82 a Did the organization receive donated services or the use of materials, equipment, or facilities substantially less than fair rental value? | es at no charge or at | 82 | а | Х | |
| b If 'Yes,' you may indicate the value of these items here. Do not include this amount as revenue in Part I or as an expense in Part II. (See instructions in Part III.) | | | | | |
| 83a Did the organization comply with the public inspection requirements for returns and exempt | | | a X | | |
| b Did the organization comply with the disclosure requirements relating to quid pro quo contri | butions? | 83 | b X | | |
| 84 a Did the organization solicit any contributions or gifts that were not tax deductible? | | 84 | а | X | |
| b If 'Yes,' did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such on not tax deductible? | | | ь И | /A | |
| 85 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations. a Were substantially all dues nondeductible by members | ;? | _ | _ | /A | |
| b Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less? | | | b N | A | |
| If 'Yes' was answered to either 85a or 85b, do not complete 85c through 85h below unless waiver for proxy tax owed for the prior year. | the organization received | la | | | |
| c Dues, assessments, and similar amounts from members | 85 c | N/A | 364 | | |
| d Section 162(e) lobbying and political expenditures | 85 d | N/A | | | |
| e Aggregate nondeductible amount of section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices | 85 e | N/A | | | |
| f Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (line 85d less 85e) | 85 f | N/A | | | |
| g Does the organization elect to pay the section 6033(e) tax on the amount on line 85f? | | 85 | g N, | /A | |
| h If section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices were sent, does the organization agree to add the amount on line 85f to its reason dues allocable to nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures for the following tax year? | onable estimate of | 85 | h N | /A | |
| 86 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter: a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on | 1 1 | | | | |
| line 12 | | N/A | | | |
| b Gross receipts, included on line 12, for public use of club facilities | | N/A | | | |
| 87 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter: a Gross income from members or shareholders | 87 a I | N/A | | 15.1 | |
| b Gross income from other sources. (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.) | 87b I | N/A | | | |
| 88 a At any time during the year, did the organization own a 50% or greater interest in a taxable or an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7 If 'Yes,' complete Part IX | corporation or partnersh 7701-2 and 301.7701-3? | ip, 88 : | 27 | Х | |
| • | | | a | | |
| b At any time during the year, did the organization, directly or indirectly, own a controlled enti section 512(b)(13)? If 'Yes,' complete Part XI | ty within the meaning of | . ► 881 | b | x | |
| 89 a 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter: Amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year u | | | | | |
| section 4911 ► 0. ; section 4912 ► 0. ; section 4 | | 0. | | | |
| | | | | | |
| b 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 exceduring the year or did it become aware of an excess benefit transaction from a prior year? It explaining each transaction. | f 'Yes,' attach a statemer | nt 89 1 | | Х | |
| | | 891 | 7 | | |
| c Enter: Amount of tax imposed on the organization managers or disqualified persons during year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958. | the - | 0. | A1944 | 10 | |
| d Enter: Amount of tax on line 89c, above, reimbursed by the organization | | 0. | * | | |
| e All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibite | | 1? 89 | 2 | Х | |
| f All organizations. Did the organization acquire a direct or indirect interest in any applicable in | insurance contract? | 891 | | Х | |
| | B: 1.0 | | | | |
| g For supporting organizations and sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds organization, or a fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business hold the year? | lings at any time during | 89 | 1 | Х | |
| 90 a List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ► _ CA | | | | | |
| b Number of employees employed in the pay period that includes March 12, 2006 (See instructions.) | | 901 | | 12 | |
| (See instructions.). 91 a The books are in care of ► THE ORGANIZATION Telephone nu | ımber ► 415-369- | 8480 | | | |
| Located at ► 171 SECOND STREET, SUITE 300, SAN FRANCISCO CA | ZIP + 4 ► 94 | 105_ | | | |
| | | | Yes | No | |
| b At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other f | or other authority over a financial account)? | 911 | - | .,,, | |
| If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country GERMANY , | • | | | | |
| See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1 , Report of Financial Accounts. | | | | | |
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| Form 99 | Form 990 (2006) CREATIVE COMMONS CORPORATION 04-358530 | | | | | 301 Page 8 |
|--------------|---|----------------------|---|------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Part \ | Other Information (continue | ed) | | | | Yes No |
| c At | any time during the calendar year, did | I the organization | maintain an office | e outside of the U | nited States? | 91 c X |
| If ' | Yes.' enter the name of the foreign count | ry ► BERLIN | , GERMANY | | | |
| 92 Se | ection 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable | trusts filing Form | 990 in lieu of Fo | <i>rm 1041</i> – Check | here | N/A ► 📋 |
| | d enter the amount of tax-exempt inte | | | | ▶ 92 | N/A |
| Part \ | /II Analysis of Income-Produc | | | | | |
| | | Unrelated bus | siness income | Excluded by se | ction 512, 513, or 514 | (E) |
| | inter gross amounts unless se indicated. | (A) Business code | (B) Amount | (C) Exclusion code | (D) Amount | Related or exempt function income |
| | Program service revenue: | | | | | |
| a_ b | - | _ | | | | |
| C C | | | | | | |
| d d | | | | | | |
| e e | | | | | | |
| - | Medicare/Medicaid payments | | | | | |
| | Fees & contracts from government agencies | | | | | |
| • | Membership dues and assessments . | | | | | |
| 95 | Interest on savings & temporary cash invmnts . | | | 14 | 7,119. | |
| 96 | Dividends & interest from securities | | | | | |
| 97 | Net rental income or (loss) from real estate: | | Fair | | 12.00 mg/s | E102 |
| а | debt-financed property | | | | | |
| b | not debt-financed property | | | | _ | |
| 98 | Net rental income or (loss) from pers prop | | | | | |
| 99 | Other investment income | | | | | |
| | Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory | | | | | |
| | Net income or (loss) from special events | | | 1 | 10,806. | |
| | Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory | | | | , | |
| | Other revenue: a | 22 L | Blooman, C. | | 200 (April 1980) | MAN 537 |
| b | EURO TO DOLLARS (LOSS | | | 1 | -23,389. | |
| c | | | | | | |
| d | | | | | | |
| e _ | | | | | | |
| 104 | Subtotal (add columns (B), (D), and (E)) [| 43 | | | 5,464. | |
| | Total (add line 104, columns (B), (D), a | | | | | -5,464. |
| | ine 105 plus line 1d, Part I, should equ | | | | | |
| | III Relationship of Activities to | the Accompl | ishment of Ex | empt Purpose | s (See the instruc | tions.) |
| Line N | Explain how each activity for which of the organization's exempt purpo | n income is report | ed in column (E) | of Part VII contrib | outed importantly to the | accomplishment |
| N/A | gamman compa paragraph | | , | To the second second | | |
| 21, 22 | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | _ | | | _ | |
| Part I | X Information Regarding Taxa | able Subsidiar | ies and Disreg | arded Entities | (See the instruct | ions.) |
| | (A) | (B) | (0 | ;) | (D) | (E) |
| Nam | ne, address, and EIN of corporation, | Percentage of | Nature of | activities | Total | End-of-year |
| | partnership, or disregarded entity | ownership interest | 14ature or | activities | income | assets |
| N/A | | % | | | | |
| | | - % | | | | |
| | | % | | | | |
| | | 8 | | | | |
| Part 2 | Information Regarding Tran | isfers Associa | ted with Perso | onal Benefit C | ontracts (See the | |
| | the organization, during the year, receive any fur If the organization, during the year, pay | · · | | • | | |
| | : If 'Yes' to (b), file Form 8870 and For | • | - | paradian bolle | 20111100111111111111111111111111111 | |
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| | organization is a controlling organization | non as denned in section | 11 312(0)(13). | | Yes | No |
|----------------------|--|--|------------------------------------|---|---------------|-------|
| 106 | Did the reporting organization make any transfers t 'Yes,' complete the schedule below for each contro | o a controlled entity as define | ed in section 512(b)(13) of the Co | | | Х |
| | (A) Name, address, of each controlled entity | (B) Employer Identification Number | (C) Description of transfer | (D Amount of |) tran | sfer |
| a | | | | | | |
| b | | _ · _ · | | | | |
| С | | | | | | |
| | Totals | Secretarion (Control of Control o | | | | |
| | | | | | Yes | No |
| 107 | Did the reporting organization receive any transfers 'Yes,' complete the schedule below for each contro | from a controlled entity as deleted entity | efined in section 512(b)(13) of tl | ne Code? If | | Х |
| | (A) Name, address, of each controlled entity | (B) Employer Identification Number | (C) Description of transfer | (D) Amount of |) tran: | sfer |
| а | | | | | | |
| b | | | | | | |
| С | | | | | | |
| | Totals | | | | | |
| | | | | | Yes | No |
| 108 | Did the organization have a binding written contract annuities described in question 107 above? | in effect on August 17, 2006, | covering the interest, rents, roy | alties, and | | х |
| Plea Sign Here | Signature of officer | return, including accompanying schedule officer) is based on all information of with the state of the state o |) Hay | | ef, it is | |
| Paid Pre- | Preparer's signature ► BRUCE J. WRIGHT | Date | | reparer's SSN or eneral Instruction I/A | PTIN (S W) | See |
| pare Use Only | employed), > 262 GRAND AVENUE | CA 94080 | EIN ► N/A Phone no. ► (65 | 0) 872-7 | 600 | |
| BAA | | | i none no. (03 | Form 9 | | 2006) |

SCHEDULE A (Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Organization Exempt Under Section 501(c)(3)

(Except Private Foundation) and Section 501(e), 501(f), 501(k), 501(n), or 4947(a)(1) Nonexempt Charitable Trust

Supplementary Information — (See separate instructions.) MUST be completed by the above organizations and attached to their Form 990 or 990-EZ. 2006

OMB No. 1545-0047

Employer identification number Name of the organization 04-3585301 CREATIVE COMMONS CORPORATION Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Employees Other Than Officers, Directors, and Trustees (See instructions. List each one. If there are none, enter 'None.') (d) Contributions (a) Name and address of each (b) Title and average (c) Compensation (e) Expense to employee benefit plans and deferred employee paid more than \$50,000 account and other hours per week devoted to position allowances compensation SEE STATEMENT 11 395,305 18,439 0. Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000 Part II — A Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Independent Contractors for Professional Services (See instructions. List each one (whether individuals or firms). If there are none, enter 'None.') (a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$50,000 (b) Type of service (c) Compensation CHRISTIANE ASSCHENFELDT HENCKEL GISPSTRASSE 12 10119 BERLING, GERMANY LEGAL 77,475. DIANE CABELL SOUTH ST PORTSMOUTH, NH 03801 LEGAL 56,600. Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services. Part II - B Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Independent Contractors for Other Services (List each contractor who performed services other than professional services, whether individuals or firms. If there are none, enter 'None.' See instructions.) (a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$50,000 **(b)** Type of service (c) Compensation HAL PLOTKIN RAMONA STREET PALO ALTO, CA 94301 WRITER 96,000. JONATHAN REES BONARD ROAD ARLINGTON, MA 02476 SOFTWARE DEVELOPER 65,000. VICTOR STONE FOREST LANE BERKELEY, CA 94708 SOFTWARE DEVELOPER 55,200. Total number of other contractors receiving over \$50,000 for other services.....

| Pa | rt III Statements About Activities (See instructions.) | | Yes | No |
|----|--|---------|-----|----|
| 1 | to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum? If 'Yes,' enter the total expenses paid | | | |
| | or incurred in connection with the lobbying activities > \$ | | | |
| | (Must equal amounts on line 38, Part VI-A, or line i of Part VI-B.) | 1 | | X |
| | Organizations that made an election under section 501(h) by filing Form 5768 must complete Part VI-A. Other organizations checking 'Yes' must complete Part VI-B AND attach a statement giving a detailed description of the lobbying activities. | 10 - CO | | |
| 2 | During the year, has the organization, either directly or indirectly, engaged in any of the following acts with any substantial contributors, trustees, directors, officers, creators, key employees, or members of their families, or with any taxable organization with which any such person is affiliated as an officer, director, trustee, majority owner, or principal beneficiary? (If the answer to any question is 'Yes,' attach a detailed statement explaining the transactions.) | | | |
| | SEE STATEMENT 12 | | | |
| | a Sale, exchange, or leasing of property? | 2a | | Х |
| | b Lending of money or other extension of credit? | _2b | | Х |
| | c Furnishing of goods, services, or facilities? | | | v |
| | SEE FORM 990, PART V | 2c | | X |
| | d Payment of compensation (or payment or reimbursement of expenses if more than \$1,000)? | 2d | y | |
| | ar dynamic of compensation for payment of reimbursement of expenses if more than \$1,000/ | | | |
| | e Transfer of any part of its income or assets? | 2e | | Х |
| 3 | a Did the organization make grants for scholarships, fellowships, student loans, etc? (If 'Yes,' attach an explanation of how the organization determines that recipients qualify to receive payments.) | 3a | | Х |
| | b Did the organization have a section 403(b) annuity plan for its employees? | 3b | Х | |
| | c Did the organization receive or hold an easement for conservation purposes, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas or historic structures? If 'Yes,' attach a detailed statement | 3с | | X |
| | d Did the organization provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? | 3 d | | Х |
| 4 | a Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If 'Yes,' complete lines 4b through 4g. If 'No,' complete lines 4f and 4g | 4a | | X |
| | b Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966? | 4b | | X |
| | c Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person? | 4c | | X |
| | d Enter the total number of donor advised funds owned at the end of the tax year▶ | | | |
| | e Enter the aggregate value of assets held in all donor advised funds owned at the end of the tax year▶ | | | |
| | f Enter the total number of separate funds or accounts owned at the end of the tax year (excluding donor advised funds included on line 4d) where donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts. | | | |
| | g Enter the aggregate value of assets held in all funds or accounts included on line 4f at the end of the tax year ► | | | |

| Part | IV Reason for Non-Private | Foundation Status (| See instructions.) | | | | | |
|-----------|--|---|---|--|-----------------|-----------------------------|--|--|
| I certi | y that the organization is not a private | foundation because it is: | (Please check only ONE ap | oplicable bo | x.) | | | |
| 5 | A church, convention of churches, | or association of churches | . Section 170(b)(1)(A)(i). | | | | | |
| 6 | A school. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii). | (Also complete Part V.) | | | | | | |
| 7 | A hospital or a cooperative hospital | service organization. Sec | etion 170(b)(1)(A)(iii). | | | | | |
| 8 | 8 A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(v). | | | | | | | |
| 9 | 9 A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii). Enter the hospital's name, city, and state > | | | | | | | |
| 10 | An organization operated for the be (Also complete the Support Sched) | enefit of a college or unive ule in Part IV-A.) | rsity owned or operated by | a governm | ental unit. Sec | tion 170(b)(1)(A)(iv). | | |
| 11 a | X An organization that normally receive Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). (Also com | ves a substantial part of it plete the Support Schedu | s support from a governme l le in Part IV-A.) | ental unit or | from the gene | ral public. | | |
| 11 b | A community trust. Section 170(b)(| 1)(A)(vi). (Also complete t | he Support Schedule in Pa | art IV-A.) | | | | |
| 12 | An organization that normally receifrom activities related to its charitate from gross investment income and organization after June 30, 1975. S | ole, etc, functions – subje unrelated business taxabl | ct to certain exceptions, ar e income (less section 511 | nd (2) no m e tax) from b | ore than 33-1/3 | % of its support | | |
| 13 | An organization that is not controlle requirements of section 509(a)(3). | ed by any disqualified pers Check the box that describ | sons (other than foundation ses the type of supporting o | managers) organization | and otherwise | meets the | | |
| | Type I Type II | | onally Integrated | Type II | | | | |
| | | following information ab | out the supported organiz | | | | | |
| | (a) Name(s) of supported organization(s) | supported Employer identification ation(s) core | | (d) Is the supported organization listed in the supporting organization's governing documents? | | (e) Amount of support | | |
| | | | | Yes | No | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Total. | | | | | | 0. | | |
| 14 BAA | An organization organized and open | rated to test for public safe | ety. Section 509(a)(4). (Sec | | | 990 or 990-EZ) 2006 | | |
| | | | | | | | | |

Part IV-A Support Schedule (Complete only if you checked a box on line 10, 11, or 12.) Use cash method of accounting. Note: You may use the worksheet in the instructions for converting from the accrual to the cash method of accounting. **(e)** Total Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) Gifts, grants, and contributions received. (Do not include unusual grants. See line 28.). 15 1,754,471 1,206,174 901,680 1,115,000 4,977,325. 16 Membership fees received Gross receipts from admissions. merchandise sold or services performed, or furnishing of facilities in any activity that is related to the organization's 4,053. 58,873. 62,926. charitable, etc, purpose. . . . Gross income from interest, dividends. amounts received from payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), rents, royalties, and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired by the organ-14,530. 7,378. 8,713. 2,584. ization after June 30, 1975. 33,205. Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 18. 0. Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to it or expended 0. on its behalf The value of services or facilities furnished to the organization by a governmental unit without charge. Do not include the value of services or facilities generally furnished to 0. the public without charge Other income. Attach a schedule. Do not include gain or (loss) from sale of 0. capital assets... 1,773,054 1,272,425 910,393. 1,117,584 5,073,456. Total of lines 15 through 22.... Line 23 minus line 17..... 1,769,001 1,213,552 910,393. 1,117,584 5,010,530. 17,731 12,724. 9,104. Enter 1% of line 23..... 11,176 Organizations described on lines 10 or 11: 100,211. 26 a b Prepare a list for your records to show the name of and amount contributed by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) whose total gifts for 2002 through 2005 exceeded the amount shown in line 26a. Do not file this list with your return. Enter the total of all these excess amounts. 26 b 4,008,734. 26 c 5,010,530. c Total support for section 509(a)(1) test: Enter line 24, column (e)...... 18 33,205. 19 d Add: Amounts from column (e) for lines: 26 d 4,041,939. e Public support (line 26c minus line 26d total). 968,591. 26 e 26f 19.33 % Organizations described on line 12: N/A a For amounts included in lines 15, 16, and 17 that were received from a 'disqualified person,' prepare a list for your records to show the name of, and total amounts received in each year from, each 'disqualified person.' Do not file this list with your return. Enter the sum of such amounts for each year: ____ (2004) _ _ _ _ (2003) _ _ _ _ (2003) _ _ _ _ (2002) _ _ _ _ **b** For any amount included in line 17 that was received from each person (other than 'disqualified persons'), prepare a list for your records to show the name of, and amount received for each year, that was more than the larger of (1) the amount on line 25 for the year or (2) \$5,000. (Include in the list organizations described in lines 5 through 11b, as well as individuals.) Do not file this list with your return.

After computing the difference between the amount received and the larger amount described in (1) or (2), enter the sum of these differences (the excess amounts) for each year: 15 c Add: Amounts from column (e) for lines: 16 27 c d Add: Line 27a total.... 27 d e Public support (line 27c total minus line 27d total)..... 27e f Total support for section 509(a)(2) test: Enter amount from line 23, column (e). . . ► 27f g Public support percentage (line 27e (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator))..... 27 g 용 h Investment income percentage (line 18, column (e) (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator)) 27 h Unusual Grants: For an organization described in line 10, 11, or 12 that received any unusual grants during 2002 through 2005, prepare a

²⁸ Unusual Grants: For an organization described in line 10, 11, or 12 that received any unusual grants during 2002 through 2005, prepare a list for your records to show, for each year, the name of the contributor, the date and amount of the grant, and a brief description of the nature of the grant. Do not file this list with your return. Do not include these grants in line 15.

Part V Private School Questionnaire (See instructions.)

| | (To be completed ONLY by schools that checked the box on line 6 in Part IV) | N/A | | |
|------|--|--------|------|--------------------|
| | | | Yes | No |
| 29 | Does the organization have a racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students by statement in its charter, bylaws, | | | |
| | other governing instrument, or in a resolution of its governing body? | . 29 | | |
| 30 | Does the organization include a statement of its racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students in all its brochures, | de D | | |
| | catalogues, and other written communications with the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships? | . 30 | | |
| | | | * | |
| 31 | Has the organization publicized its racially nondiscriminatory policy through newspaper or broadcast media during the period of solicitation for students, or during the registration period if it has no solicitation program, in a way that makes the policy known to all parts of the general community it serves? | | | |
| | | . 31 | | |
| | If 'Yes,' please describe; if 'No,' please explain. (If you need more space, attach a separate statement.) | | | |
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| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| | Does the organization maintain the following: | | | |
| | a Records indicating the racial composition of the student body, faculty, and administrative staff? | . 32 a | | |
| | b Records documenting that scholarships and other financial assistance are awarded on a racially nondiscriminatory basis? | 32 b | | |
| | c Copies of all catalogues, brochures, announcements, and other written communications to the public dealing | 32.0 | | |
| | c Copies of all catalogues, prochures, announcements, and other written communications to the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships? | 32c | | |
| | d Copies of all material used by the organization or on its behalf to solicit contributions? | 32 d | | |
| | If you answered 'No' to any of the above, please explain. (If you need more space, attach a separate statement.) | | | 1 |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| | | 4.9 | | |
| 33 | Does the organization discriminate by race in any way with respect to: | | | |
| | a Students' rights or privileges? | 22. | | |
| • | a Students rights or privileges? | 33 a | | |
| | b Admissions policies? | 33 b | | |
| | | | | |
| | c Employment of faculty or administrative staff? | 33c | | |
| | d Scholarships or other financial assistance? | 33.4 | | |
| • | Scholarships or other financial assistance? | 33 d | | |
| | e Educational policies? | 33e | | |
| | | | | |
| 1 | f Use of facilities? | 33f | | |
| | g Athletic programs? | 33 g | | |
| , | g Admedic programs: | 33 g | | |
| ı | h Other extracurricular activities? | 33 h | | |
| | Manager and Manage | | | |
| | If you answered 'Yes' to any of the above, please explain. (If you need more space, attach a separate statement.) | | | |
| | | - | | |
| | | - | | |
| | | | | |
| 34 8 | a Does the organization receive any financial aid or assistance from a governmental agency? | 34 a | | |
| | a Hoo the examination's right to such aid over hear varietied as assessed of | 241 | | |
| | b Has the organization's right to such aid ever been revoked or suspended? | 34 b | | |
| | | | 1947 | 12 july 12 july |
| 35 | Does the organization certify that it has complied with the applicable requirements of sections 4.01 through 4.05 of Rev Proc 75-50, 1975-2 C.B. 587, covering racial populiscrimination? If 'No ' attach an explanation | | | |
| | nondiscrimination? If 'No ' attach an explanation | 35 | | |

| Par | t VI-A Lobbying E (To be complet | xpenditures by Ele ted ONLY by an eligible | ecting Public Chari e organization that filed | ties (See instructions Form 5768) | .) | | N/A |
|----------------|---|--|--|--|-----------------------------|------------------|---|
| Che | ck ► a if the organi | ization belongs to an at | ifiliated group. Check | b if you chec | ked ' a ' and 'lim | nited conf | trol' provisions apply. |
| | | Limits on Lobbying | g Expenditures amounts paid or incurre | | (a) Affiliated totals | group | (b) To be completed for all electing |
| 36 | Total lobbying expendit | | <u></u> | | _ | | organizations |
| 37 | Total lobbying expendit | - | | | | | |
| 38 | Total lobbying expendit | | | | | | |
| 39 | Other exempt purpose | • | | | | | |
| 40 | Total exempt purpose e | • | | | | | |
| 41 | Lobbying nontaxable ar | | · | | 1 | Constant | The Care |
| • • • | If the amount on line 40 | | lobbying nontaxable a | | | | |
| | Not over \$500,000 | | | | | | |
| | Over \$500,000 but not over \$1 | | | | | | |
| | Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$ | \$1,500,000 \$175 | ,000 plus 10% of the excess of | over \$1,000,000 - 41 | | | |
| | Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$ | \$17,000,000 \$225 | ,000 plus 5% of the excess ov | er \$1,500,000 | | 100 | |
| | Over \$17,000,000 | \$1,0 | 000,000 | | | | |
| 42 | Grassroots nontaxable | amount (enter 25% of I | ine 41) | 42 | | | |
| 43 | Subtract line 42 from lin | | | | | | |
| 44 | Subtract line 41 from lin | | | Water State of the Control of the Co | 1991 200 | | |
| | Caution: If there is an a | amount on either line 4 | 3 or line 44, you must f | ile Form 4720. | 100 | | |
| | (Some organ | izations that made a se | Averaging Period ection 501(h) election de the instructions for li | o not have to complete | I(h) e all of the five | columns | below. |
| | | | Lobbying Expend | ditures During 4 -Year | Averaging Per | riod | |
| | Calendar year (or fiscał year beginning in) ► | (a) 2006 | (b) 2005 | (c) 2004 | (d) 2003 | l | (e) Total |
| 45 | Lobbying nontaxable amount | | 10.000 C | | | | |
| 46 | Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 45(e)) | | | | | | |
| 47 | Total lobbying expenditures | | | | | | |
| 48 | Grassroots non- taxable amount | and the second | e normalista est est est est | | | derice) | |
| 49 | Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 48(e)) | THE PARTY SHAPE | n danamataida. Assasididik | the state of the state of | | | |
| 50 | Grassroots lobbying expenditures | | | | | | |
| Par | VI-B Lobbying A | ctivity by Nonelect | ing Public Charitie | s | | | |
| | | | at did not complete Par | | | | N/A |
| Durir atter | ng the year, did the orgain npt to influence public op | nization attempt to influ pinion on a legislative r | uence national, state or natter or referendum, th | local legislation, inclu- rough the use of: | ding any | es No | Amount |
| _ | Volunteers | | | | | | |
| | Paid staff or manageme | • • | | - | _ | _ | |
| | : Media advertisements . | | | | | | |
| | I Mailings to members, le Publications, or publishe | | | | <u> </u> | | |
| | Grants to other organization | | | | | | |
| | Direct contact with legis | , , , | | | | | |
| _ | Rallies, demonstrations | | | • | | | |
| | Total lobbying expendite | | | | 9898000 | 107 | |
| · | If 'Yes' to any of the abov | • | | | | | |
| BAA | | | | | | le A (For | m 990 or 990-EZ) 2006 |

Part VII Information Regarding Transfers To and Transactions and Relationships With Noncharitable Exempt Organizations (See instructions)

| 51 Did the | e reporting organization | directly or in | ndirectly engage in any of the follow | ring with any other organization describ- ating to political organizations? | ed in secti | on 50 | 1(c) |
|-----------------|---|----------------|--|--|-----------------------------|---------------|------|
| | | | to a noncharitable exempt organization | | | Yes | No |
| | | - | | | 51 a (i) | | Х |
| ٠,, | | | | | a (ii) | | Х |
| b Other | transactions: | | | | | | |
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| (ii) Ρι | urchases of assets from | a noncharita | able exempt organization | | b (ii) | | X |
| (iii) Re | ental of facilities, equipm | ent, or othe | er assets | | b (iii) | | _X_ |
| (iv)Re | eimbursement arrangeme | ents | | | b (iv) | | X |
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| the go | answer to any of the abo ods, other assets, or ser | rvices given | by the reporting organization. If the | olumn (b) should always show the fair r organization received less than fair ma goods, other assets, or services receive | narket value irket value | ue or e in | |
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| (a) Line no. | (b) Amount involved | Name of | noncharitable exempt organization | Description of transfers, transactions, and | sharing arrai | ngement | s |
| N/A | | | | | | | |
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| | Name of organization | | Type of organization | Description of relation | iship | | |
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STATEMENT 1 FORM 990, PART I, LINE 9 NET INCOME (LOSS) FROM SPECIAL EVENTS

| SPECIAL EVENTS | | GROSS RECEIPTS | LESS CONTRI- BUTIONS | GROSS REVENUE | LESS DIRECT EXPENSES | NET INCOME (LOSS) |
|--------------------|----------|-----------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| OTHER SALES/EVENTS | TOTAL \$ | 10,806. \$ 10,806. | <u>0.</u> \$ 0. | 10,806. \$ 10,806. | <u> </u> | 10,806. \$ 10,806. |

STATEMENT 2 FORM 990, PART I, LINE 20 OTHER CHANGES IN NET ASSETS OR FUND BALANCES

| UNREALIZED GAIN ON INVESTMENTS | \$ | 541. 541. |
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STATEMENT 3 FORM 990, PART II, LINE 43 OTHER EXPENSES

| | | (A) | (B) PROGRAM | (C) MANAGEMENT | (D) |
|--|----------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| | | TOTAL | SERVICES | & GENERAL | FUNDRAISING |
| BANK CHARGES CONTRACTOR FEES INSURANCE | | 5,815. 218,120. 42,148. | 166,388. | 5,815. 15,338. 42,148. | 36,394. |
| INTERNS MEMBERSHIP AND DUES PROFESSIONAL SERVICES | | 11,016. 13,335. 67,063. | 11,016. 13,335. 67,063. | | |
| PUBLICITY & COMMUNICATIONS RESEARCH TECHNOLOGY | | 66,025. 3,163. 34,319. | 65,708. 34,319. | 317. 3,163. | |
| TRAINING | TOTAL \$ | 1,400. 462,404. | \$ 357,829. | \$ 68,181. | \$ 36,394. |

STATEMENT 4 FORM 990, PART III ORGANIZATION'S PRIMARY EXEMPT PURPOSE

CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 501(C)(3) OF THE IRC....INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, DESIGNING METHODS AND TECHNOLOGIES THAT FACILITATE SHARING OF SCIENTIFIC, CREATIVE, AND OTHER INTELLECTUAL WORKS WITH THE GENERAL PUBLIC."

IN PROCESS.

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STATEMENT 5
FORM 990, PART III, LINE A
STATEMENT OF PROGRAM SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

DESCRIPTION

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES

GRANTS AND

ALLOCATIONS

COPYRIGHT LAW PROHIBITS REPRODUCTION OF ANOTHER'S WORK WITHOUT EXPRESS PERMISSION OF THE AUTHOR. CREATIVE COMMONS PROVIDES ONLINE PERMISSION FORMS THAT ENCOURAGE AUTHORS TO ALLOW THE PUBLIC TO LEGALLY USE THEIR WORKS ON A NONCOMMERCIAL BASIS FOR FREE, THUS ENCOURAGING FREE SHARING OF KNOWLEDGE, ART AND CULTURE. THERE ARE NOW OVER 140 MILLION APPLICATIONS OF OUR LICENSES; THEY HAVE BEEN TRANSLATED AND ADAPTED FOR USE IN 36 COUNTRIES WITH 21 MORE

IN 2006, CREATIVE COMMONS PUBLISHED AN UPDATE OF ITS CORE LICENSES AS WELL AS A REVISION OF THE SOFTWARE THAT ALLOWS USERS TO POST THEIR CONTENT ONLINE FOR FREE NONCOMMERCIAL USE BY THE PUBLIC (CCHOST VERSION 4.0). CC LABS WAS LAUNCHED AS A WEBSITE WHERE THESE AND OTHER "TOOLS" ARE OFFERED TO HELP USERS PUBLISH AND SHARE THEIR ONLINE MATERIAL MORE EASILY. ONE OF THE NEW TOOLS ASSISTS AUTHORS TO REGAIN THEIR COPYRIGHTS FOLLOWING PRIOR TRANSFERS SO THAT THEY CAN BE OFFERED AGAIN TO THE PUBLIC.

CCMIXTER WAS LAUNCHED AS A WEBSITE WHERE MUSICIANS CAN RE-USE EACH OTHERS' WORK TO CREATE NEW WORKS AVAILABLE FOR FREE NONCOMMERCIAL USE. CC "SALONS" WERE LAUNCHED AS INFORMATION EVENTS WHERE ARTISTS AND OTHER CREATORS COULD GATHER TO LEARN MORE ABOUT CC LICENSES AND THE VALUES OF OPEN SHARING. SCIENCE COMMONS BEGAN DEVELOPMENT OF A SCHOLAR'S COPYRIGHT LICENSE (GIVING A RESEARCHER THE RIGHT TO SELF-PUBLISH ON THE INTERNET A COPY OF ARTICLES SUBMITTED TO SCIENTIFIC JOURNALS FOR PUBLICATION), A MORE FLEXIBLE AND ROBUST MODEL MATERIALS TRANSFER AGREEMENT FOR THE EXCHANGE OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIALS AMONG SCIENTISTS, AND THE NEUROCOMMONS PROJECT WHICH WILL ADDRESS CONCERNS ABOUT SHARING OF RESEARCH DATABASES.

CREATIVE COMMONS AND ITS SUBSIDIARY, ICOMMONS, CO-HOSTED THE "ISUMMIT", A 3-DAY CONFERENCE THAT ATTRACTED OVER 200 PARTICIPANTS TO LEARN ABOUT OPEN SHARING PRACTICES.

INCLUDES FOREIGN GRANTS: NO

1,892,466.

0. \$1,892,466.

STATEMENT 6 FORM 990, PART IV, LINE 54A INVESTMENTS - PUBLICLY TRADED SECURITIES

OTHER PUBLICLY TRADED SECURITIES

VALUATION

METHOD

AMOUNT

INVESTMENTS

MARKET VALUE

17,066.

TOTAL \$

\$

17,066.

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| STATEMENT 6 (CONTINUED) |
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| FORM 990, PART IV, LINE 54A |
| INVESTMENTS - PUBLICLY TRADED SECURITIES |

| FORM 990, PART IV, LINE 54A INVESTMENTS - PUBLICLY TRADED SECURITIES | |
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| OTHER PUBLICLY TRADED SECURITIES | VALUATION METHOD AMOUNT PUBLICLY TRADED SECURITIES \$ 17,066. |
| STATEMENT 7 FORM 990, PART IV, LINE 57 LAND, BUILDINGS, AND EQUIPMENT | ACCUM. BOOK |
| CATEGORY | BASIS DEPREC. VALUE |
| MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT TOTAL | \$ 58,435. \$ 37,922. \$ 20,513. \$ 58,435. \$ 37,922. |
| STATEMENT 8 FORM 990, PART IV, LINE 58 OTHER ASSETS OTHER RECEIVABLES | TOTAL \$ 23,234. |
| STATEMENT 9 FORM 990, PART IV, LINE 65 OTHER LIABILITIES FUNDS HELD FOR SPONSORS | \$ 19,209. TOTAL \$ 19,209. |
| STATEMENT 10 FORM 990, PART V-A LIST OF OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, TRUSTEES, AND KE | EY EMPLOYEES |

| NAME AND ADDRESS | AVERAGE HOURS PER WEEK DEVOTED | COMPEN- SATION | CONTRI- BUTION TO EBP & DC | ACCOUNT/ OTHER |
|--|--------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| LAWRENCE LESSIG 543 HOWARD STREET, 5TH FLOOR SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105 | CHAIRMAN/PRESID 40 | \$ 0. | \$ 0. | \$ 0. |

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STATEMENT 10 (CONTINUED) FORM 990, PART V-A LIST OF OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, TRUSTEES, AND KEY EMPLOYEES

| NAME AND ADDRESS | TITLE AND AVERAGE HOURS PER WEEK DEVOTED | COMPEN- SATION | CONTRI- BUTION TO EBP & DC | ACCOUNT/ |
|--|--|-------------------|----------------------------------|----------|
| JAMES BOYLE 543 HOWARD STREET, 5TH FLOOR SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105 | DIRECTOR 2 | \$ 0. | \$ 0. | \$ 0. |
| MICHAEL CARROLL 543 HOWARD STREET, 5TH FLOOR SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105 | DIRECTOR 2 | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| ERIC ELDRED 543 HOWARD STREET, 5TH FLOOR SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105 | DIRECTOR 2 | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| ERIC SALTZMAN 543 HOWARD STREET, 5TH FLOOR SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105 | DIRECTOR 2 | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| HAL ABELSON 543 HOWARD STREET, 5TH FLOOR SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105 | DIRECTOR 2 | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| DIANE CABELL 543 HOWARD STREET, 5TH FLOOR SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105 | SEC./ASST. TRES | 56,600. | 0. | 0. |
| MOLLY SHAFFER VAN HOUWELING 543 HOWARD STREET, 5TH FLOOR SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105 | DIRECTOR 2 | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| JOHN BUCKMAN 543 HOWARD STREET, 5TH FLOOR SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105 | DIRECTOR 2 | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| NATALIE WALROND 543 HOWARD STREET, 5TH FLOOR SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105 | CFO/TREASURER 17 | 32,350. | 0. | 0. |
| JOICHI ITO 543 HOWARD STREET, 5TH FLOOR SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105 | DIRECTOR 2 | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| DAVIS GUGGENHEIM 543 HOWARD STREET, 5TH FLOOR SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105 | DIRECTOR 2 | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| JIMMY WALES 543 HOWARD STREET, 5TH FLOOR SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105 | DIRECTOR 2 | 0. | 0. | 0. |

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STATEMENT 10 (CONTINUED) FORM 990, PART V-A LIST OF OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, TRUSTEES, AND KEY EMPLOYEES

| NAME AND ADDRESS | TITLE AND AVERAGE HOURS PER WEEK DEVOTED | COMPEN- SATION | CONTRI- BUTION TO EBP & DC | EXPENSE ACCOUNT/ OTHER |
|--|--|-------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| LAURIE RACINE 543 HOWARD STREET, 5TH FLOOR SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105 | DIRECTOR 2 | \$ 0. | \$ 0. | \$ 0. |
| | TOTAL | \$ 88,950. | \$ 0. | \$ 0. |

STATEMENT 11 SCHEDULE A, PART I COMPENSATION OF FIVE HIGHEST PAID EMPLOYEES

| NAME AND ADDRESS | TITLE & AVERAGE HOURS WORKED | COMPEN- SATION | CONTRIBUT. EBP & DC | EXPENSE ACCOUNT |
|--|---------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| JOHN T WILBANKS 543 HOWARD ST, 5TH FLR SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105 | EXEC DIRECTOR 40 | 90,000. | 5,079. | 0. |
| MIKE LINKSVAYER 543 HOWARD ST, 5TH FLR SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105 | CTO 40 | 81,625. | 4,720. | 0. |
| ERIC STEUER 543 HOWARD ST, 5TH FLR SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105 | CREATIVE DIRECT 40 | 80,000. | 4,559. | 0. |
| MIA GARLICK 543 HOWARD ST, 5TH FLR SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105 | GENERAL COUNSEL 40 | 80,000. | 392. | 0. |
| NATHAN YERGLER 543 HOWARD ST, 5TH FLR SAN FRANCISCO, 94105 94105 | SEN. SOFT. ENGI 40 | 63,680. | 3,689. | 0. |
| | TOTAL § | 395,305. | \$ 18,439. | 0. |

STATEMENT 12 SCHEDULE A, PART III, LINE 2 TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES, DIRECTORS, ETC.

SEE PART V-A, FORM 990

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PART IV SECTION 11(A) CREATIVE COMMONS MEETS THE FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER THE 509 (A)(1) PUBLIC SUPPORT TEST BECAUSE

- 1) IT WAS 19.3% PUBLICLY SUPPORTED FOR THE FOUR YEAR PERIOD ENDING 12/31/2006. THERE IS NO VISIBLE INCREASE OVER THE FIVE-YEAR PERIOD ENDING 12/31/2005 ONLY BECAUSE NO PUBLIC SUPPORT WAS RECEIVED IN THE FIRST YEAR OF OPERATIONS (2001) THEREFORE BOTH REPORTING PERIODS RELY ON FUNDING RECEIVED IN THE SAME 4 YEARS. ON A YEAR-BY-YEAR COMPARISON BASIS, HOWEVER, THE ANNUAL RATE OF PUBLIC SUPPORT CONTINUES TO INCREASE. SUPPORT RECEIVED IN 2006 WAS NEARLY \$2.9 MILLION, AN INCREASE OF 62% OVER THE PREVIOUS YEAR.
- 2) CREATIVE COMMONS HAS DEVELOPED A STABLE AND ONGOING DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM WITH FULL-TIME PERSONNEL WHO HAVE INITIATED A SUBSTANTIAL NUMBER OF NEW AND INNOVATIVE AND DIVERSIFIED DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES, SUCH AS THE CC SALONS THAT HOST PUBLIC EVENTS FEATURING PRESENTATIONS BY CC-LICENSED ARTISTS AND CREATORS.
- 3) CREATIVE COMMONS CONTINUES TO BROADEN ITS BASE OF SUPPORT THROUGH NEW PROGRAM INITIATIVES. A NEW DIVISION, CC LEARN, WILL BE LAUNCHED IN 2007 TO OFFER SERVICES FOR STUDENTS AND PUBLIC SECTOR EDUCATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, THUS EXPANDING THE RANGE OF BENEFICIARIES OF ITS FREE PUBLIC SERVICES WHILE ALSO OPENING NEW CHANNELS FOR FUNDING SUPPORT.
- 4) CREATIVE COMMONS HAS A LARGE, DISTINGUISHED, COMMUNITY-BASED BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPRESENTING A BROAD SPECTRUM OF NONPROFITS, ENTREPRENEURS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE COMMUNITIES THAT BENEFIT FROM ITS SERVICES.

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| OTHER IN | FORMATION |
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| VALUE OF | ABOVE ITEMS (OPTIONAL) (82B) |

| COOLEY GODWARD (LEGAL SERVICES) | 18,445. |
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| WILSON SONSINI GOODRICH & ROSATI (LEGAL SERVICES) | 7,681. |
| MUNGER, TOLLES & OLSON LLP | 5,087. |
| TOTAL | \$ 31,213. |