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OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

September 18, 2018

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Matt Ehling
Minnesota Coalition on Government Information
2375 University Avenue West
Saint Paul, MN 55114-

**Re: Minnesota Coalition on Government Information (EIN: [REDACTED])
Annual Report**

Dear Matt Ehling:

I thank you for submitting the December 31, 2017 annual report for Minnesota Coalition on Government Information, as required by the Minnesota Charitable Solicitation Act, Minnesota Statutes chapter 309.

This letter confirms that this Office has received these materials. You may wish to **retain this letter** as evidence your annual report has been received by this Office.

Please note that receipt of your organization's registration materials is not an endorsement of your organization or an attestation regarding the validity or completeness of the submitted registration materials. *See* Minn. Stat. § 309.55, subd. 3.

The organization's next annual report for December 31, 2018 is due on July 15, 2019. Please visit <http://www.ag.state.mn.us/Charity/DownloadForms.asp> to request an extension, download forms, or review more information.

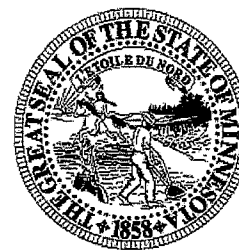
Sincerely,

JULIE BRENGMAN
Charities Registrar

Mail To:

Minnesota Attorney General's Office
Charities Division
445 Minnesota Street, Suite 1200
St. Paul, MN 55101-2130

**STATE OF MINNESOTA
CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION
ANNUAL REPORT FORM**



Website Address:

www.ag.state.mn.us/charity

(Pursuant to Minn. Stat. ch. 309)

SECTION A: Organization Information

Legal Name of Organization Minnesota Coalition on Government Information

Federal EIN: [REDACTED]

Fiscal Year-End: December 31, 2017

mm/dd/yyyy

Did the organization's fiscal year-end change? Yes No

Mailing Address: Matt Ehling, Treasurer	Physical Address:
Contact Person 2375 University Ave. W.	Contact Person
Street Address St. Paul, MN 55114	Street Address
City, State, and Zip Code 651-335-2037	City, State, and Zip Code
Phone Number mncogi@gmail.com	Phone Number
Email Address	Email Address

1. Organization's website: www.mncogi.org

2. List all of the organization's alternate and former names (attach list if more space is needed).

 Alternate Former

 Alternate Former

3. List all names under which the organization solicits contributions (attach list if more space is needed).
Minnesota Coalition on Government Information

4. Is the organization incorporated pursuant to Minn. Stat. ch. 317A? Yes No

5. Total amount of contributions the organization received from Minnesota donors: \$ 11,421.50

6. Has the organization's tax-exempt status with the IRS changed?

Yes No If yes, attach explanation.

7. Has the organization significantly changed its purpose(s) or program(s)?

Yes No If yes, attach explanation.



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8. Has the organization been denied the right to solicit contributions by any court or government agency?
 Yes No If yes, attach explanation.

9. Does the organization use the services of a professional fundraiser (outside solicitor or consultant) to solicit contributions in Minnesota? Yes No
 If yes, provide the following information for each (attach list if more space is needed):

Name of Professional Fundraiser	Compensation
Street Address	City, State, and Zip Code

10. Is the organization a food shelf? Yes No
 If yes, is the organization required to file an audit? Yes, audit attached No

Note: An organization that has total revenue of more than \$750,000 is required to file an audit prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles by an independent CPA or LPA. The value of donated food to a nonprofit food shelf may be excluded from the total revenue if the food is donated for subsequent distribution at no charge and is not resold.

11. Do any directors, officers, or employees of the organization or its related organization(s) receive total compensation* of more than \$100,000? Yes No
 If yes, provide the following information for the five highest paid individuals:

Name and title	Compensation*	Other compensation

*Compensation is defined as the total amount reported on Form W-2 (Box 5) or Form 1099-MISC (Box 7) issued by the organization and its related organizations to the individual. See Minn. Stat. § 309.53, subd. 3(i) and Minn. Stat. § 317A.011 for definitions.



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SECTION B: Financial Information

This section must be completed by organizations that file an IRS Form 990-EZ, 990-PF, or 990-N. Organizations that file an IRS Form 990 may skip Section B and go directly to Section C.

INCOME

1. Contributions Received	\$ 11,421.50	1
2. Government Grants	\$ _____	2
3. Program Service Revenue	\$ _____	3
4. Other Revenue	\$ 14.33	4
5. TOTAL INCOME	\$ 11,435.83	5

EXPENSES

6. Program Expenses	\$ 4,852.47	6
7. Management & General Expenses	\$ 1,074.48	7
8. Fund-raising Expenses	\$ _____	8
9. TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 5,926.95	9
10. EXCESS or DEFICIT	\$ 5,508.88	10

(Line 5 minus Line 9)

ASSETS

11. Cash	\$ 10,998.87	11
12. Land, Buildings & Equipment	\$ _____	12
13. Other Assets	\$ _____	13
14. TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 10,998.87	14

LIABILITIES

15. Accounts Payable	\$ _____	15
16. Grants Payable	\$ _____	16
17. Other Liabilities	\$ _____	17
18. TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ _____	18

FUND BALANCE/NET WORTH

\$ 10,998.87	
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(Line 14 minus Line 18)



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Section B (continued): Statement of Functional Expenses

This expense statement must be prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Each column must be completed, and Columns B, C, and D must equal Column A. The amount on Line 25, Column A must match Line 17 of IRS Form 990-EZ or Line 26 of IRS Form 990-PF.

	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1. Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the U.S.				
2. Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U.S.				
3. Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the U.S.				
4. Benefits paid to or for members				
5. Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees				
6. Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7. Other salaries and wages				
8. Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)				
9. Other employee benefits				
10. Payroll taxes				
11. Fees for services (non-employees):				
a. Management				
b. Legal	\$3055	\$3055		
c. Accounting				
d. Lobbying	\$219.53	\$219.53		
e. Professional fundraising services				
f. Investment management fees				
g. Other				
12. Advertising and promotion				
13. Office expenses				
14. Information technology				
15. Royalties				
16. Occupancy				
17. Travel	\$411.40	\$411.40		
18. Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19. Conferences, conventions, and meetings	\$1166.54	\$1166.54		
20. Interest				
21. Payments to affiliates				
22. Depreciation, depletion, and amortization				
23. Insurance	\$761.00		\$761.00	
24. Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. Expenses labeled miscellaneous may not exceed 5% of total expenses (Line 25).				
a. Dues	\$250.00		\$250.00	
b. Govt. Filing Fee	\$25.00		\$25.00	
c. Bank Fees	\$24.05		\$24.05	
d. Postage (other)	\$14.43		\$14.43	
25. Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24d.	\$5926.95	\$4852.47	\$1074.48	
26. Joint costs. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2. Complete this line only if the organization reported in Column B joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation				

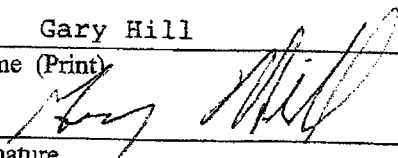



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Section C: Board of Directors Signatures and Acknowledgment

The form must be executed pursuant to a resolution of the board of directors, trustees, or managing group and must be signed by two officers of the organization. See Minn. Stat. § 309.52, subd. 3.

We, the undersigned, state and acknowledge that we are duly constituted officers of this organization, being the President (Title) and Treasurer (Title) respectively, and that we execute this document on behalf of the organization pursuant to the resolution of the Board of Directors (Board of Directors, Trustees, or Managing Group) adopted on the 9 day of July, 2018, approving the contents of the document, and do hereby certify that the Board of Directors (Board of Directors, Trustees or Managing Group) has assumed, and will continue to assume, responsibility for determining matters of policy, and have supervised, and will continue to supervise, the operations and finances of the organization. We further state that the information supplied is true, correct and complete to the best of our knowledge.

Gary Hill
Name (Print)

Signature
President
Title
July 9, 2018
Date

Matt Ehling
Name (Print)

Signature
Treasurer
Title
July 9, 2018
Date

**Minnesota Coalition on Government Information
Board of Directors**

As of July 1, 2018 the mailing address for all board members is care of:

Matt Ehling
Treasurer
2375 University Ave. W.
Ste. 120
St. Paul, MN 55114

In 2017, the compensation for all board members was:

\$0.00 per year

In 2017, the board of directors was comprised of the following Minnesota residents:

James Barnum

John Borger

Helen Burke

Bill Bushey

Hal Davis

Pat Doyle

Matt Ehling

Don Gemberling

Nancy Herther

Gary Hill

Jane Kirtley

Heidi Kitrosser

Sharon Schmickle

James Eli Shiffer
