

Form **8868**

Application for Automatic Extension of Time To File an Exempt Organization Return

OMB No. 1545-0047

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

File a separate application for each return.
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Electronic filing (e-file). You can electronically file Form 8868 to request a 6-month automatic extension of time to file any of the forms listed below with the exception of Form 8870, Information Return for Transfers Associated With Certain Personal Benefit Contracts, for which an extension request must be sent to the IRS in paper format (see instructions). For more details on the electronic filing of this form, visit www.irs.gov/e-file-providers/e-file-for-charities-and-non-profits.

Automatic 6-Month Extension of Time. Only submit original (no copies needed).

All corporations required to file an income tax return other than Form 990-T (including 1120-C filers), partnerships, REMICs, and trusts must use Form 7004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns.

Type or print:	Name of exempt organization or other filer, see instructions. MINNESOTA COALITION ON GOVERNMENT INFORMATION	Taxpayer identification number (TIN) 20-8129775
File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions.	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions. 1539 GRAND AVE	
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions. ST PAUL MN 55105	

Enter the Return Code for the return that this application is for (file a separate application for each return) 01

Application Is For	Return Code	Application Is For	Return Code
Form 990 or Form 990-EZ	01	Form 1041-A	08
Form 4720 (individual)	03	Form 4720 (other than individual)	09
Form 990-PF	04	Form 5227	10
Form 990-T (sec. 401(a) or 408(a) trust)	05	Form 6069	11
Form 990-T (trust other than above)	06	Form 8870	12
Form 990-T (corporation)	07		

Matt Ehling
1539 Grand Ave

The books are in the care of **ST PAUL MN 55105**

Telephone No. **651-335-2037** Fax No.

If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box

If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) . If this is for the whole group, check this box . If it is for part of the group, check this box and attach a list with the names and TINs of all members the extension is for.

I request an automatic 6-month extension of time until **11/15/23** to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for:

calendar year **2022** or

tax year beginning _____, and ending _____

If the tax year entered in line 1 is for less than 12 months, check reason: Initial return Final return Change in accounting period

3a	If this application is for Forms 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions.	3a	\$	0
b	If this application is for Forms 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit.	3b	\$	0
c	Balance due. Subtract line 3b from line 3a. Include your payment with this form, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions.	3c	\$	0

Caution: If you are going to make an electronic funds withdrawal (direct debit) with this Form 8868, see Form 8453-TE and Form 8879-TE for payment instructions.

For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see instructions.

Part II Balance Sheets (see the instructions for Part II)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II

	(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	28,321	22	24,488
23 Land and buildings	0	23	
24 Other assets (describe in Schedule O)	0	24	
25 Total assets	28,321	25	24,488
26 Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O)	0	26	0
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	28,321	27	24,488

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see the instructions for Part III)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose?

Public education about government transparency

Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title.

Expenses
(Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations; optional for others.)

28 See Schedule O			
(Grants \$ <u>925</u>) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	28a		925
29 Legal work in support of government transparency matters. Work conducted by paid and pro bono attorneys supervised by volunteer board members.			
(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	29a		5,000
30 See Schedule O			
(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	30a		
31 Other program services (describe in Schedule O)			
(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	31a		
32 Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a)	32		5,925

Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (list each one even if not compensated — see the instructions for Part IV)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part IV

(a) Name and title	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC) (if not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
Nick Borger Secretary	0.50	0	0	0
Paul Bosman Director	0.50	0	0	0
Bill Bushey Director	0.50	0	0	0
Hal Davis Director	0.50	0	0	0
Pat Doyle Director	0.50	0	0	0
Matt Ehling President	4.00	0	0	0
Don Gemberling Director	3.00	0	0	0
Nancy Heather Director	0.50	0	0	0
Isabella Nascimento Director	0.50	0	0	0
Sharon Schmickle Director	1.00	0	0	0
Kevin Featherly Director	0.50	0	0	0

Part V Other Information (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in the instructions for Part V.) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V

33 Did the organization engage in any significant activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O
34 Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name. Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O. See instructions
35a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)?
35b If "Yes" to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O
35c Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III
36 Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N
37a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions
37b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?
38a Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee; or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the tax year covered by this return?
38b If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II, and enter the total amount involved
39 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:
39a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9
39b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities
40a Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911; section 4912; section 4955
40b Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year, or did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I
40c Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958
40d Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization
40e All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T
41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed MN
42a The organization's books are in care of Matt Ehling Telephone no. 651-335-2037
1539 Grand Ave
Located at ST PAUL MN ZIP + 4 55105
42b 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)? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).
42c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside the United States? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country
43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year 43
44a Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ
44b Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ
44c Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?
44d If "Yes" to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O
45a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?
45b 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," Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ. See instructions

46 Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I

	Yes	No
46		X

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) Organizations Only

All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 47-49b and 52, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI

47 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

	Yes	No
47	X	

48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E

	Yes	No
48		X

49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?

	Yes	No
49a		X

b If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?

	Yes	No
49b		

50 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees, and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and title of each employee	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
None				

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000

51 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and business address of each independent contractor	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
None		

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000

52 Did the organization complete Schedule A? **Note:** All section 501(c)(3) organizations must attach a completed Schedule A

Yes No

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here Signature of officer: **Bill Bushey** Director Date: _____
Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer Use Only Print/Type preparer's name: **ROY H. LA FAYETTE** Preparer's signature: *Roy Lafayette* Date: **06/16/23** Check if self-employed PTIN: **P00463787**
Firm's name: **LA FAYETTE & PLATH, LTD.** Firm's EIN: **41-1503687**
Firm's address: **6625 Lyndale Ave S Ste 516 Minneapolis, MN 55423-2396** Phone no.: **612-861-8366**

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions Yes No

**SCHEDULE A
(Form 990)**

Public Charity Status and Public Support

OMB No. 1545-0047

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.

2022

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

Open to Public
Inspection

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

Name of the organization

**MINNESOTA COALITION ON GOVERNMENT
INFORMATION**

Employer identification number

20-8129775

Part I Reason for Public Charity Status. (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 12, check only one box.)

- 1 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.
- 2 A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)**. (Attach Schedule E (Form 990).)
- 3 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**.
- 4 A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: _____
- 5 An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 6 A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v)**.
- 7 An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 8 A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 9 An agricultural research organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ix)** operated in conjunction with a land-grant college or university or a non-land-grant college of agriculture (see instructions). Enter the name, city, and state of the college or university: _____
- 10 An organization that normally receives (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions, subject to certain exceptions; and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2)**. (Complete Part III.)
- 11 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4)**.
- 12 An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2)**. See **section 509(a)(3)**. Check the box on lines 12a through 12d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 12e, 12f, and 12g.
 - a **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization. **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
 - b **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
 - c **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
 - d **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
 - e Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization.
 - f Enter the number of supported organizations
 - g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-10 above (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
(A)						
(B)						
(C)						
(D)						
(E)						
Total						

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990 or 990-EZ.

Schedule A (Form 990) 2022

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
 (Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2018	(b) 2019	(c) 2020	(d) 2021	(e) 2022	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	8,167	13,619	4,470	9,645	4,119	40,020
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3	8,167	13,619	4,470	9,645	4,119	40,020
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						20,000
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						20,020

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2018	(b) 2019	(c) 2020	(d) 2021	(e) 2022	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	8,167	13,619	4,470	9,645	4,119	40,020
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources	18	16	16	21	21	92
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						40,112
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	21
13 First 5 years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here						<input type="checkbox"/>

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2022 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	49.91%
15 Public support percentage from 2021 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	44.95%
16a 33 1/3% support test—2022. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
b 33 1/3% support test—2021. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization	<input type="checkbox"/>	
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2022. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization	<input type="checkbox"/>	
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2021. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization	<input type="checkbox"/>	
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 10 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2018	(b) 2019	(c) 2020	(d) 2021	(e) 2022	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2018	(b) 2019	(c) 2020	(d) 2021	(e) 2022	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included on line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						
14 First 5 years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here <input type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2022 (line 8, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f))	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2021 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2022 (line 10c, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f))	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2021 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	%

- 19a **33 1/3% support tests—2022.** If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization
- b **33 1/3% support tests—2021.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization
- 20 **Private foundation.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions

Part IV Supporting Organizations

(Complete only if you checked a box on line 12 on Part I. If you checked box 12a, Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked box 12b, Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked box 12c, Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked box 12d, Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

- 1 Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? *If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain.*
- 2 Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? *If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).*
- 3a Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? *If "Yes," answer lines 3b and 3c below.*
- b Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? *If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.*
- c Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? *If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.*
- 4a Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? *If "Yes," and if you checked box 12a or 12b in Part I, answer lines 4b and 4c below.*
- b Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? *If "Yes," describe in Part VI how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations.*
- c Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? *If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization used to ensure that all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes.*
- 5a Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? *If "Yes," answer lines 5b and 5c below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in Part VI, including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed; (ii) the reasons for each such action; (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action, and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document).*
- b **Type I or Type II only.** Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?
- c **Substitutions only.** Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?
- 6 Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (iii) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? *If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.*
- 7 Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (as defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? *If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990).*
- 8 Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described on line 7? *If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990).*
- 9a Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons, as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? *If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.*
- b Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined on line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? *If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.*
- c Did a disqualified person (as defined on line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? *If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.*
- 10a Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? *If "Yes," answer line 10b below.*
- b Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? *(Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)*

	Yes	No
1		
2		
3a		
3b		
3c		
4a		
4b		
4c		
5a		
5b		
5c		
6		
7		
8		
9a		
9b		
9c		
10a		
10b		

Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 11: Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons? Sub-rows 11a, 11b, 11c.

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 1: Did the governing body, members of the governing body, officers acting in their official capacity, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees at all times during the tax year? Row 2: Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization?

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 1: Were a majority of the organization's directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors or trustees of each of the organization's supported organization(s)?

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 1: Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the organization's tax year, (i) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (ii) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (iii) copies of the organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided? Row 2: Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected by the supported organization(s) or (ii) serving on the governing body of a supported organization? Row 3: By reason of the relationship described on line 2, above, did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice in the organization's investment policies and in directing the use of the organization's income or assets at all times during the tax year?

Section E. Type III Functionally Integrated Supporting Organizations

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 1: Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year. Sub-rows a, b, c. Row 2: Activities Test. Answer lines 2a and 2b below. Sub-rows a, b. Row 3: Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer lines 3a and 3b below. Sub-rows a, b.

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations

1 Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying trust on Nov. 20, 1970 (explain in Part VI). See instructions. All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E.

Section A – Adjusted Net Income		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Net short-term capital gain	1	
2	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2	
3	Other gross income (see instructions)	3	
4	Add lines 1 through 3.	4	
5	Depreciation and depletion	5	
6	Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	6	
7	Other expenses (see instructions)	7	
8	Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6, and 7 from line 4)	8	

Section B – Minimum Asset Amount		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year):		
a	Average monthly value of securities	1a	
b	Average monthly cash balances	1b	
c	Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c	
d	Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d	
e	Discount claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in Part VI):		
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt-use assets	2	
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d.	3	
4	Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 0.015 of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4	
5	Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5	
6	Multiply line 5 by 0.035.	6	
7	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7	
8	Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6)	8	

Section C – Distributable Amount			Current Year
1	Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, column A)	1	
2	Enter 0.85 of line 1.	2	
3	Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, column A)	3	
4	Enter greater of line 2 or line 3.	4	
5	Income tax imposed in prior year	5	
6	Distributable Amount. Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions).	6	

7 Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions).

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Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations (continued)

Section D – Distributions		Current Year
1	Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes	1
2	Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	2
3	Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	3
4	Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	4
5	Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required—provide details in Part VI)	5
6	Other distributions (describe in Part VI). See instructions.	6
7	Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6.	7
8	Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI). See instructions.	8
9	Distributable amount for 2022 from Section C, line 6	9
10	Line 8 amount divided by line 9 amount	10

Section E – Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2022	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2022
1	Distributable amount for 2022 from Section C, line 6		
2	Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2022 (reasonable cause required—explain in Part VI). See instructions.		
3	Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2022		
a	From 2017		
b	From 2018		
c	From 2019		
d	From 2020		
e	From 2021		
f	Total of lines 3a through 3e		
g	Applied to underdistributions of prior years		
h	Applied to 2022 distributable amount		
i	Carryover from 2017 not applied (see instructions)		
j	Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from line 3f.		
4	Distributions for 2022 from Section D, line 7: \$		
a	Applied to underdistributions of prior years		
b	Applied to 2022 distributable amount		
c	Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from line 4.		
5	Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2022, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.		
6	Remaining underdistributions for 2022. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.		
7	Excess distributions carryover to 2023. Add lines 3j and 4c.		
8	Breakdown of line 7:		
a	Excess from 2018		
b	Excess from 2019		
c	Excess from 2020		
d	Excess from 2021		
e	Excess from 2022		

Schedule B (Form 990)

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Schedule of Contributors

Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-PF. Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for the latest information.

OMB No. 1545-0047

2022

Name of the organization Minnesota Coalition on Government Information

Employer identification number 208129775

Organization type (check one):

Filers of:

Section:

- Form 990 or 990-EZ [x] 501(c)(3) (enter number) organization
[] 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust not treated as a private foundation
[] 527 political organization
Form 990-PF [] 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation
[] 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation
[] 501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check if your organization is covered by the General Rule or a Special Rule.

Note: Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.

General Rule

- [x] For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, contributions totaling \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II. See instructions for determining a contributor's total contributions.

Special Rules

- [] For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33 1/3% support test...
[] For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor...
[] For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor...

Caution: An organization that isn't covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules doesn't file Schedule B (Form 990), but it must answer "No" on Part IV, line 2, of its Form 990; or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ or on its Form 990-PF, Part I, line 2, to certify that it doesn't meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990).

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Employer identification number
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Part I Contributors (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
-----	----- ----- -----	\$-----	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
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Name of organization	Employer identification number
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Part II **Noncash Property** (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part II if additional space is needed.

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions.)	(d) Date received
-----	----- ----- ----- -----	\$ -----	-----
-----	----- ----- ----- -----	\$ -----	-----
-----	----- ----- ----- -----	\$ -----	-----
-----	----- ----- ----- -----	\$ -----	-----
-----	----- ----- ----- -----	\$ -----	-----
-----	----- ----- ----- -----	\$ -----	-----
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Part III **Exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions to organizations described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) that total more than \$1,000 for the year from any one contributor.** Complete columns (a) through (e) and the following line entry. For organizations completing Part III, enter the total of *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions of **\$1,000 or less** for the year. (Enter this information once. See instructions.) \$ _____
 Use duplicate copies of Part III if additional space is needed.

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
-----	----- ----- -----	----- ----- -----	----- ----- -----

(e) Transfer of gift	
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee
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(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
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(e) Transfer of gift	
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee
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(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
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(e) Transfer of gift	
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee
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(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
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(e) Transfer of gift	
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee
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**SCHEDULE C
(Form 990)**

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

OMB No. 1545-0047

2022

Open to Public Inspection

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

Complete if the organization is described below. Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

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

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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

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

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

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

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

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

Name of organization MINNESOTA COALITION ON GOVERNMENT INFORMATION	Employer identification number 20-8129775
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Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

- A** Check if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group (and list in Part IV each affiliated group member's name, address, EIN, expenses, and share of excess lobbying expenditures).
- B** Check if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply.

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

4-Year Averaging Period Under Section 501(h)

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

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2019	(b) 2020	(c) 2021	(d) 2022	(e) Total
2a Lobbying nontaxable amount	1,414	681	1,154		3,249
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column (e))					4,874
c Total lobbying expenditures	148			0	148
d Grassroots nontaxable amount	353	170	289		812
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					1,218
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures				0	

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Part IV Supplemental Information

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

Schedule C, Part II-A, Explanation of Four Year Averaging

No \$ values

**SCHEDULE O
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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 Form 990-EZ.
Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for the latest information.

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Name of the organization	MINNESOTA COALITION ON GOVERNMENT INFORMATION	Employer identification number	20-8129775
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Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16 - Other Expenses

Description	Amount
Expenses	
INSURANCE	\$ 864
GOVERNMENT FEES	\$ 25
FINNEGAN AWARD COSTS	\$ 575
NFOIC MEMBERSHIP DUES	\$ 250
FUNDRAISING PLATFORM FEES	\$ 42
Total	\$ 1,756

Form 990-EZ, Part IV, Board of Directors Continued

Kristine Tietz - Director

Mary Jo Webster, Director

Cris Weiland, Director

Form 990-EZ, Part III, Line 30 - Third Accomplishment

Advocacy at the Minnesota Legislature in support of Minnesota's open records statute - the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act - and other government transparency initiatives. Advocacy work is conducted by volunteer board members. No expenses in 2022.

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
INSTRUCTIONS



(Pursuant to Minn. Stat. ch. 309)

Website Address:

www.ag.state.mn.us/charity

WHO SHOULD FILE

- A charitable organization registered to solicit contributions in Minnesota must file an annual report with the Attorney General's Office.
- A charitable organization is a person who engages in or purports to engage in solicitation for a charitable purpose. See Minn. Stat. 309.50, subd. 5. "Solicit" and "solicitation" have the meanings set forth in Minn. Stat. § 309.50, subd. 10 and include oral or written requests.
- Please refer to the definitions set forth in Minn. Stat. § 309.50 when completing registration and report forms.

WHEN TO FILE

- An organization's annual report must be postmarked by the 15th day of the seventh month after its fiscal year-end. If the due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or federal holiday, the report must be postmarked by the next business day.
- An organization may request a four-month extension. Extension requests must be submitted on or before the due date. **If an organization fails to file its annual report or request an extension by the due date, a \$50 late fee is assessed.** Visit www.ag.state.mn.us/Charity/ExtensionRequest.aspx to request an extension.

Fiscal Year-End	Due Date	Extended Due Date
January 31	August 15	December 15
February 28	September 15	January 15
March 31	October 15	February 15
April 30	November 15	March 15
May 31	December 15	April 15
June 30	January 15	May 15
July 31	February 15	June 15
August 31	March 15	July 15
September 30	April 15	August 15
October 31	May 15	September 15
November 30	June 15	October 15
December 31	July 15	November 15



CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION ANNUAL REPORT FORM INSTRUCTIONS (Continued)

WHAT TO FILE

If submitting these forms via mail, please **do not** use staples.

- Charitable Organization Annual Report Form.
- IRS Form 990, 990-EZ, 990-PF, or 990-N plus all schedules and attachments, EXCLUDING any schedules of contributors to the organization (Schedule B).
- IRS Form 990-T (if the organization files one).
- A full list of the organization's board of directors, including names, addresses, and total compensation paid to each.
- An audit prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles by an independent CPA or LPA if the organization has total revenue of more than \$750,000. 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.
- \$25 registration fee.
- \$50 late fee, if the organization failed to request an extension or submit its complete report by the due date.

HOW TO FILE

This form may be submitted via email and the fee may be paid electronically.

- The form and all attachments should be emailed to ***charity.registration@ag.state.mn.us***. The email and attachments can be **no larger than 25 MB**. The subject line of the email must contain the organization's name. If the materials you are submitting are more than 25 MB, submit the attachments in separate emails properly labeled in the subject line (e.g., email 1 of 3).
- Documents must be in PDF format and named in an identifying manner (e.g., Charity Annual Report).
- You will receive an automatically generated confirmation email. Receipt of the email confirms only that this Office received your submission and is not an attestation regarding the validity or completeness of the submitted materials.
- You may pay the \$25 registration fee and/or \$50 late fee via credit card at www.ag.state.mn.us/Charity/CharFees.aspx, or you may submit a check via U.S. mail. If paying by check, make the check payable to "State of Minnesota."



CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION ANNUAL REPORT FORM INSTRUCTIONS (Continued)

PLEASE NOTE

- Some organizations may be exempt from registration and reporting. See Minn. Stat. § 309.515 for more information.
- An organization may submit the Unified Registration Statement, but it must also file the Minnesota Supplement.
- Include all required attachments. Required attachments do NOT include any schedules of contributors to the organization (Schedule B). Registration statements and reports that fail to include all required attachments will be considered deficient and will not be effective until all required materials are received by the Minnesota Attorney General's Office. You will be informed of your registration status by letter from the Minnesota Attorney General's Office.
- Failure to maintain registration while soliciting may result in the imposition of civil penalties up to \$25,000 for each violation of Minn. Stat. ch. 309.
- **NOTICE: All information and documentation provided as part of registration and reporting shall be public records.**

Mail To:

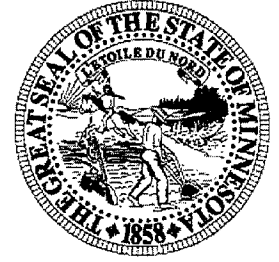
Minnesota Attorney General's Office
Charities Division
445 Minnesota Street, Suite 1200
St. Paul, MN 55101-2130

Website Address:

www.ag.state.mn.us/charity

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

(Pursuant to Minn. Stat. ch. 309)



SECTION A: Organization Information

Legal Name of Organization MINNESOTA COALITION ON GOVERNMENT INFORMATION

Federal EIN: 20-8129775

Fiscal Year-End: 12/31/23

mm/dd/yyyy

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

Mailing Address: Matt Ehling	Physical Address: Matt Ehling
Contact Person 1539 Grand Avenue	Contact Person 1539 Grand Avenue
Street Address St. Paul, MN 55105	Street Address St. Paul, MN 55105
City, State, and Zip Code 651-699-6553	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
MNCOGI

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

5. Total amount of contributions the organization received from Minnesota donors: \$ 4,119

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 [x] 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 [x] 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 [x] 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 [x] No

If yes, provide the following information for the five highest paid individuals:

Table with 3 columns: Name and title, Compensation*, Other compensation. Contains 5 empty rows for data entry.

*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	\$4,119	1
2. Government Grants	\$ _____	2
3. Program Service Revenue	\$ _____	3
4. Other Revenue	\$21	4
5. TOTAL INCOME	\$4,140	5

EXPENSES

6. Program Expenses	\$6,167	6
7. Management & General Expenses	\$1,764	7
8. Fund-raising Expenses	\$42	8
9. TOTAL EXPENSES	\$7,973	9
10. EXCESS or DEFICIT	\$(3,833)	10
(Line 5 minus Line 9)		

ASSETS

11. Cash	\$24,488	11
12. Land, Buildings & Equipment	\$ _____	12
13. Other Assets	\$ _____	13
14. TOTAL ASSETS	\$24,488	14

LIABILITIES

15. Accounts Payable	\$ _____	15
16. Grants Payable	\$ _____	16
17. Other Liabilities	\$ _____	17
18. TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$0	18

FUND BALANCE/NET WORTH

	\$24,488	
(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	5165	5000	165	
c. Accounting				
d. Lobbying				
e. Professional fundraising services				
f. Investment management fees				
g. Other	800	350	450	
12. Advertising and promotion				
13. Office expenses				
14. Information technology	242	242		
15. Royalties				
16. Occupancy				
17. Travel				
18. Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19. Conferences, conventions, and meetings				
20. Interest				
21. Payments to affiliates				
22. Depreciation, depletion, and amortization				
23. Insurance	874		874	
24. Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. Expenses labeled miscellaneous may not exceed 5% of total expenses (Line 25).				
a. Fundraising platform fees	42			42
b. Government fees	25		25	
c. NFOIC membership	250		250	
d. Finnegan award expenses	575	575		
25. Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24d.	7973	6167	1764	42
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 Director (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 day of April, 2023, 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.

Matt Ehling

Name (Print)
Signature
President
Title
7/7/23
Date

Kevin Featherly

Name (Print)
Signature
Director
Title
7/7/23
Date

**Minnesota Coalition on Government Information
2022 Board of Directors**

The mailing address for all board members is care of:

Matt Ehling
1539 Grand Ave.
St. Paul, MN 55105

In 2022, the compensation for all board members was:

\$0.00 per year

In 2022, the board of directors was comprised of the following Minnesota residents:

Nick Borger

Paul Bosman

Bill Bushey

Hal Davis

Pat Doyle

Matt Ehling

Kevin Featherly

Don Gemberling

Nancy Heather

Isabella Nascimento

Sharon Schmickle

Kristine Tietz

MaryJo Webster

Chris Weiland