

**Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**  
Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

▶ Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.  
▶ Information about Form 990 and its instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990).

**A For the 2016 calendar year, or tax year beginning and ending**

<b>B</b> Check if applicable:  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	<b>C</b> Name of organization <b>AMERICANS FOR EFFECTIVE LAW ENFORCEMENT, INC.</b> Doing business as Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite <b>175 OLDE HALF DAY ROAD 220</b> City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code <b>LINCOLNSHIRE, IL 60069</b> <b>F</b> Name and address of principal officer: <b>EMORY PLITT, JR.</b> <b>SAME AS C ABOVE</b>	<b>D</b> Employer identification number <b>36-6140171</b> <b>E</b> Telephone number <b>847-685-0700</b> <b>G</b> Gross receipts \$ <b>604,506.</b> <b>H(a)</b> Is this a group return for subordinates? ..... <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <b>H(b)</b> Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list. (see instructions) <b>H(c)</b> Group exemption number ▶
<b>I</b> Tax-exempt status: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) ( ) ◀ (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527		
<b>J</b> Website: ▶ <b>WWW.AEEL.ORG</b>		
<b>K</b> Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other ▶		
<b>L</b> Year of formation: <b>1966</b>		<b>M</b> State of legal domicile: <b>IL</b>

**Part I Summary**

<b>Activities &amp; Governance</b>	<b>1</b> Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <b>AMERICANS FOR EFFECTIVE LAW ENFORCEMENT, INC. IS A RESEARCH DRIVEN EDUCATIONAL ORGANIZATION THAT</b> <b>2</b> Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets. <b>3</b> Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a) ..... <b>3</b> <b>11</b> <b>4</b> Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b) ..... <b>4</b> <b>11</b> <b>5</b> Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2016 (Part V, line 2a) ..... <b>5</b> <b>3</b> <b>6</b> Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary) ..... <b>6</b> <b>11</b> <b>7a</b> Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12 ..... <b>7a</b> <b>9,976.</b> <b>7b</b> Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34 ..... <b>7b</b> <b>8,976.</b>	
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>8</b> Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h) ..... <b>0.</b> <b>0.</b> <b>9</b> Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g) ..... <b>404,709.</b> <b>358,323.</b> <b>10</b> Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d) ..... <b>6,939.</b> <b>2,450.</b> <b>11</b> Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e) ..... <b>13,724.</b> <b>10,000.</b> <b>12</b> Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12) ..... <b>425,372.</b> <b>370,773.</b>	<b>Prior Year</b> <b>Current Year</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>13</b> Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3) ..... <b>0.</b> <b>0.</b> <b>14</b> Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4) ..... <b>0.</b> <b>0.</b> <b>15</b> Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10) ..... <b>77,173.</b> <b>64,799.</b> <b>16a</b> Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e) ..... <b>0.</b> <b>0.</b> <b>b</b> Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ <b>0.</b> <b>17</b> Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e) ..... <b>318,559.</b> <b>328,791.</b> <b>18</b> Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25) ..... <b>395,732.</b> <b>393,590.</b> <b>19</b> Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12 ..... <b>29,640.</b> <b>-22,817.</b>	
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>20</b> Total assets (Part X, line 16) ..... <b>473,497.</b> <b>485,519.</b> <b>21</b> Total liabilities (Part X, line 26) ..... <b>183,064.</b> <b>213,798.</b> <b>22</b> Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20 ..... <b>290,433.</b> <b>271,721.</b>	<b>Beginning of Current Year</b> <b>End of Year</b>

**Part II Signature Block**

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.

<b>Sign Here</b>	Signature of officer <b>HELEN FINKEL, VICE PRESIDENT</b> Type or print name and title	Date
<b>Paid Preparer Use Only</b>	Print/Type preparer's name <b>CHERYL K. ROHLFS, CPA</b>	Preparer's signature  Date  Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/> PTIN <b>P01387972</b>
	Firm's name ▶ <b>CHERYL ROHLFS &amp; ASSOCIATES, LTD.</b> Firm's address ▶ <b>401 HUEHL ROAD, SUITE 2D NORTHBROOK, IL 60062</b>	Firm's EIN ▶ <b>36-3998689</b> Phone no. <b>847-753-9200</b>

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions)  Yes  No

AMERICANS FOR EFFECTIVE LAW ENFORCEMENT, INC.

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

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

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission: AMERICANS FOR EFFECTIVE LAW ENFORCEMENT, INC. IS A RESEARCH DRIVEN EDUCATIONAL ORGANIZATION THAT PRODUCES AND DISSEMINATES LEGAL INFORMATION THROUGH TRADITIONAL SEMINARS, VIA ELECTRONIC MEDIA AND DIRECT CONTACT.

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

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

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

4a (Code: ) (Expenses \$ 332,592. including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ 360,797.) THE ORGANIZATION MAINTAINS A LAW ENFORCEMENT LEGAL CENTER TO ASSIST LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES THAT HAVE BEEN SUED, TO OPERATE A NATIONAL LEGAL RESEARCH CENTER TO ASSIST IN DEFENSE OF SUCH SUITS, AND TO PROVIDE PUBLICATIONS DEALING WITH THE INCIDENCE OF AND DEFENSE OF SUCH SUITS. IT ALSO FILES AMICUS CURIAE BRIEFS IN THE U.S. SUPREME COURT AND OTHER MAJOR COURTS IN SUPPORT OF THE LAW ENFORCEMENT ISSUES, AS WELL AS PROVIDING PUBLIC INFORMATION SERVICES ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE ISSUES.

4b (Code: ) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

4c (Code: ) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

4e Total program service expenses 332,592.

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**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules**

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

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	Yes	No
<b>20a</b> Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>b</b> If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return? .....		
<b>21</b> Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>22</b> Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>23</b> Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>24a</b> Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>b</b> Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception? .....		
<b>c</b> Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds? .....		
<b>d</b> Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year? .....		
<b>25a Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>b</b> Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>26</b> Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>27</b> Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>28</b> Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions):		
<b>a</b> A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>b</b> A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>c</b> An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>29</b> Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>30</b> Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>31</b> Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>32</b> Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>33</b> Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>34</b> Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>35a</b> Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? .....		<b>X</b>
<b>b</b> If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i> .....		
<b>36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>37</b> Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>38</b> Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? .....		
<b>Note.</b> All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O .....	<b>X</b>	

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**Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance**

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

		Yes	No
<b>1a</b>	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable		
<b>1b</b>	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable		
<b>c</b>	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	X	
<b>2a</b>	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return		
<b>b</b>	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? <b>Note.</b> If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions)	X	
<b>3a</b>	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	X	
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," to line 3b, provide an explanation in Schedule O	X	
<b>4a</b>	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)?		X
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).		
<b>5a</b>	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?		X
<b>b</b>	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		X
<b>c</b>	If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?		
<b>6a</b>	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?		X
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?		
<b>7</b>	<b>Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).</b>		
<b>a</b>	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?		X
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?		
<b>c</b>	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?		X
<b>d</b>	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year		
<b>e</b>	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?		
<b>f</b>	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?		
<b>g</b>	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?		
<b>h</b>	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?		
<b>8</b>	<b>Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.</b> Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?		
<b>9</b>	<b>Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.</b>		
<b>a</b>	Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		
<b>b</b>	Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		
<b>10</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(7) organizations.</b> Enter:		
<b>a</b>	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12		
<b>b</b>	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities		
<b>11</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(12) organizations.</b> Enter:		
<b>a</b>	Gross income from members or shareholders		
<b>b</b>	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)		
<b>12a</b>	<b>Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts.</b> Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?		
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year		
<b>13</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.</b>		
<b>a</b>	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? <b>Note.</b> See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.		
<b>b</b>	Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans		
<b>c</b>	Enter the amount of reserves on hand		
<b>14a</b>	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?		X
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O		

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

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

**Section A. Governing Body and Management**

			Yes	No
<b>1a</b> Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year ..... If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O.	<b>1a</b>	11		
<b>b</b> Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent .....	<b>1b</b>	11		
<b>2</b> Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee? .....	<b>2</b>			<b>X</b>
<b>3</b> Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors, or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person? .....	<b>3</b>			<b>X</b>
<b>4</b> Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed? .....	<b>4</b>			<b>X</b>
<b>5</b> Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets? .....	<b>5</b>			<b>X</b>
<b>6</b> Did the organization have members or stockholders? .....	<b>6</b>			<b>X</b>
<b>7a</b> Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body? .....	<b>7a</b>			<b>X</b>
<b>b</b> Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body? .....	<b>7b</b>			<b>X</b>
<b>8</b> Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:				
<b>a</b> The governing body? .....	<b>8a</b>		<b>X</b>	
<b>b</b> Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body? .....	<b>8b</b>		<b>X</b>	
<b>9</b> Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O .....	<b>9</b>			<b>X</b>

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

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

**Section C. Disclosure**

- 17** List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed **IL**
- 18** Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (Section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.  
 Own website     Another's website     Upon request     Other (explain in Schedule O)
- 19** Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.
- 20** State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records: **HELEN FINKEL - 847-685-0700**  
**175 OLDE HALF DAY ROAD, #220, LINCOLNSHIRE, IL 60069**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) DANIEL B. HALES DIRECTOR	0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(2) ERIC P. DAIGLE DIRECTOR	0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(3) CHET EPPERSON DIRECTOR	0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(4) GEORGE P. GRAVES DIRECTOR	0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(5) RUSSELL B. LAINE DIRECTOR	0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(6) GIACOMO A. PECORARO DIRECTOR	0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(7) EMORY A. PLITT, JR. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	18.00	X					18,800.	0.	0.	
(8) CHARLES D. REYNOLDS TREASURER	0.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.	
(9) CHARLES A. GRUBER DIRECTOR	0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(10) WAYNE W. SCHMIDT SECRETARY	10.00	X		X			14,307.	0.	0.	
(11) ALAN C. YOUNGS DIRECTOR	0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	





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**Part VIII Statement of Revenue**

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

			(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512 - 514	
<b>Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts</b>	<b>1 a</b> Federated campaigns .....	<b>1a</b>					
	<b>b</b> Membership dues .....	<b>1b</b>					
	<b>c</b> Fundraising events .....	<b>1c</b>					
	<b>d</b> Related organizations .....	<b>1d</b>					
	<b>e</b> Government grants (contributions) .....	<b>1e</b>					
	<b>f</b> All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above .....	<b>1f</b>					
	<b>g</b> Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$ .....						
	<b>h Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f .....						
<b>Program Service Revenue</b>	<b>2 a</b> <b>WORKSHOPS</b> .....	<b>Business Code</b> 611430	358,323.	358,323.			
	<b>b</b> .....						
	<b>c</b> .....						
	<b>d</b> .....						
	<b>e</b> .....						
	<b>f</b> All other program service revenue .....						
	<b>g Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f .....		358,323.				
<b>Other Revenue</b>	<b>3</b> Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts) .....		4,407.	4,407.			
	<b>4</b> Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds .....						
	<b>5</b> Royalties .....						
	<b>6 a</b> Gross rents .....	(i) Real	131,350.				
		(ii) Personal					
		<b>b</b> Less: rental expenses .....	121,374.				
	<b>c</b> Rental income or (loss) .....	9,976.					
	<b>d</b> Net rental income or (loss) .....		9,976.		9,976.		
	<b>7 a</b> Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory .....	(i) Securities	110,402.				
		(ii) Other					
		<b>b</b> Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses .....	112,359.				
		<b>c</b> Gain or (loss) .....	-1,957.				
	<b>d</b> Net gain or (loss) .....		-1,957.		-1,957.		
	<b>8 a</b> Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18 .....	<b>a</b>					
		<b>b</b> Less: direct expenses .....	<b>b</b>				
<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from fundraising events .....							
<b>9 a</b> Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19 .....	<b>a</b>						
	<b>b</b> Less: direct expenses .....	<b>b</b>					
	<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from gaming activities .....						
<b>10 a</b> Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances .....	<b>a</b>						
	<b>b</b> Less: cost of goods sold .....	<b>b</b>					
	<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory .....						
Miscellaneous Revenue		<b>Business Code</b>					
<b>11 a</b> <b>MISCELLANEOUS INCOME</b> .....	611430	24.	24.				
<b>b</b> .....							
<b>c</b> .....							
<b>d</b> All other revenue .....							
<b>e Total.</b> Add lines 11a-11d .....		24.					
<b>12 Total revenue.</b> See instructions. ....		370,773.	360,797.	9,976.	0.		

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**Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses**

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

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

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21				
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22				
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees				
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	59,328.	47,462.	11,866.	
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)				
9 Other employee benefits				
10 Payroll taxes	5,471.	4,377.	1,094.	
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management				
b Legal				
c Accounting	4,581.		4,581.	
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees				
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Sch O.)	35,755.	22,574.	13,181.	
12 Advertising and promotion				
13 Office expenses	5,507.		5,507.	
14 Information technology				
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	4,827.	3,862.	965.	
17 Travel	2,657.	2,657.		
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	12,383.	9,906.	2,477.	
23 Insurance	32,499.	32,499.		
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a <b>TAX ON UBTI</b>	3,366.		3,366.	
b <b>WORKSHOPS</b>	141,182.	141,182.		
c <b>REAL ESTATE TAXES</b>	18,733.	14,986.	3,747.	
d <b>PROFESSIONAL WRITING</b>	15,420.	15,420.		
e All other expenses <b>SEE SCH O</b>	51,881.	37,667.	14,214.	
25 <b>Total functional expenses.</b> Add lines 1 through 24e	393,590.	332,592.	60,998.	0.
26 <b>Joint costs.</b> Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation.				

Check here  if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)

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**Part X Balance Sheet**

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

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year	
<b>Assets</b>	<b>1</b> Cash - non-interest-bearing .....	135,548.	<b>1</b>	125,955.	
	<b>2</b> Savings and temporary cash investments .....		<b>2</b>		
	<b>3</b> Pledges and grants receivable, net .....		<b>3</b>		
	<b>4</b> Accounts receivable, net .....	4,665.	<b>4</b>	21,889.	
	<b>5</b> Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L .....			<b>5</b>	
	<b>6</b> Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instr). Complete Part II of Sch L .....			<b>6</b>	
	<b>7</b> Notes and loans receivable, net .....			<b>7</b>	
	<b>8</b> Inventories for sale or use .....			<b>8</b>	
	<b>9</b> Prepaid expenses and deferred charges .....	17,421.	<b>9</b>	21,571.	
	<b>10a</b> Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D .....	573,814.			
	<b>b</b> Less: accumulated depreciation .....	281,045.			
		305,152.	<b>10c</b>	292,769.	
	<b>11</b> Investments - publicly traded securities .....		<b>11</b>		
	<b>12</b> Investments - other securities. See Part IV, line 11 .....	177,021.	<b>12</b>	182,449.	
	<b>13</b> Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line 11 .....		<b>13</b>		
	<b>14</b> Intangible assets .....		<b>14</b>		
<b>15</b> Other assets. See Part IV, line 11 .....	-166,310.	<b>15</b>	-159,114.		
<b>16 Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34) .....	473,497.	<b>16</b>	485,519.		
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>17</b> Accounts payable and accrued expenses .....	2,154.	<b>17</b>	9,387.	
	<b>18</b> Grants payable .....		<b>18</b>		
	<b>19</b> Deferred revenue .....	110,016.	<b>19</b>	149,900.	
	<b>20</b> Tax-exempt bond liabilities .....		<b>20</b>		
	<b>21</b> Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D .....		<b>21</b>		
	<b>22</b> Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L .....			<b>22</b>	
	<b>23</b> Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties .....		<b>23</b>		
	<b>24</b> Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties .....		<b>24</b>		
	<b>25</b> Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D .....	70,894.	<b>25</b>	54,511.	
	<b>26 Total liabilities.</b> Add lines 17 through 25 .....	183,064.	<b>26</b>	213,798.	
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.</b>				
	<b>27</b> Unrestricted net assets .....	290,433.	<b>27</b>	271,721.	
	<b>28</b> Temporarily restricted net assets .....		<b>28</b>		
	<b>29</b> Permanently restricted net assets .....		<b>29</b>		
	<b>Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 30 through 34.</b>				
	<b>30</b> Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds .....		<b>30</b>		
	<b>31</b> Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund .....		<b>31</b>		
	<b>32</b> Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds .....		<b>32</b>		
<b>33</b> Total net assets or fund balances .....	290,433.	<b>33</b>	271,721.		
<b>34</b> Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances .....	473,497.	<b>34</b>	485,519.		

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**Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets**

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

<b>1</b>	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	370,773.
<b>2</b>	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	393,590.
<b>3</b>	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	-22,817.
<b>4</b>	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	290,433.
<b>5</b>	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	4,105.
<b>6</b>	Donated services and use of facilities	
<b>7</b>	Investment expenses	
<b>8</b>	Prior period adjustments	
<b>9</b>	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	0.
<b>10</b>	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	271,721.

**Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting**

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

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



**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) 2012	(b) 2013	(c) 2014	(d) 2015	(e) 2016	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.") .....						
<b>2</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf .....						
<b>3</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge ...						
<b>4 Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 3 .....						
<b>5</b> 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) .....						
<b>6 Public support.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4.						

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2012	(b) 2013	(c) 2014	(d) 2015	(e) 2016	(f) Total
<b>7</b> Amounts from line 4 .....						
<b>8</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources ...						
<b>9</b> Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on ...						
<b>10</b> Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.) .....						
<b>11 Total support.</b> Add lines 7 through 10						
<b>12</b> Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions) .....					12	
<b>13 First five years.</b> 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 <b>stop here</b> .....						<input type="checkbox"/>

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

<b>14</b> Public support percentage for 2016 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f)) .....	14	%
<b>15</b> Public support percentage from 2015 Schedule A, Part II, line 14 .....	15	%
<b>16a 33 1/3% support test - 2016.</b> If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization .....		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>b 33 1/3% support test - 2015.</b> 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 <b>stop here.</b> The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization .....		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>17a 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2016.</b> 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 <b>stop here.</b> 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>b 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2015.</b> 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 <b>stop here.</b> 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>18 Private foundation.</b> 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) 2012	(b) 2013	(c) 2014	(d) 2015	(e) 2016	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.") .....						
<b>2</b> 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	296,946.	394,042.	345,640.	404,709.	358,323.	1799660.
<b>3</b> Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513 .....						
<b>4</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf .....						
<b>5</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge ...						
<b>6 Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 5 .....	296,946.	394,042.	345,640.	404,709.	358,323.	1799660.
<b>7a</b> Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						0.
<b>b</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 .....						0.
<b>c</b> Add lines 7a and 7b .....						0.
<b>8 Public support.</b> (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						1799660.

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2012	(b) 2013	(c) 2014	(d) 2015	(e) 2016	(f) Total
<b>9</b> Amounts from line 6 .....	296,946.	394,042.	345,640.	404,709.	358,323.	1799660.
<b>10a</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources ...			15,945.	6,939.	2,450.	25,334.
<b>b</b> Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975 .....						
<b>c</b> Add lines 10a and 10b .....			15,945.	6,939.	2,450.	25,334.
<b>11</b> Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on .....	7,424.	11,666.	3,070.	13,556.	9,976.	45,692.
<b>12</b> Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.) .....			72.	168.	24.	264.
<b>13 Total support.</b> (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)	304,370.	405,708.	364,727.	425,372.	370,773.	1870950.

**14 First five 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**

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

<b>15</b> Public support percentage for 2016 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) .....	15	96.19 %
<b>16</b> Public support percentage from 2015 Schedule A, Part III, line 15 .....	16	96.61 %

**Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage**

<b>17</b> Investment income percentage for 2016 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) .....	17	1.35 %
<b>18</b> Investment income percentage from 2015 Schedule A, Part III, line 17 .....	18	1.30 %

**19a 33 1/3% support tests - 2016.** 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 - 2015.** 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 in line 12 on Part I. If you checked 12a of Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked 12b of Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked 12c of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked 12d of Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

**Section A. All Supporting Organizations**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? <i>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.</i>		
<b>2</b> Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).</i>		
<b>3a</b> Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below.</i>		
<b>b</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)? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.</i>		
<b>c</b> Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.</i>		
<b>4a</b> Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? <i>If "Yes," and if you checked 12a or 12b in Part I, answer (b) and (c) below.</i>		
<b>b</b> Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? <i>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.</i>		
<b>c</b> 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)? <i>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.</i>		
<b>5a</b> Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) 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).</i>		
<b>b</b> <b>Type I or Type II only.</b> Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?		
<b>c</b> <b>Substitutions only.</b> Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?		
<b>6</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
<b>7</b> Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (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? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</i>		
<b>8</b> Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described in line 7? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</i>		
<b>9a</b> 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))? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
<b>b</b> Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined in line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
<b>c</b> Did a disqualified person (as defined in line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
<b>10a</b> 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)? <i>If "Yes," answer 10b below.</i>		
<b>b</b> Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? <i>(Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)</i>		



**Part IV Supporting Organizations** (continued)

	Yes	No
<b>11</b> Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?		
<b>a</b> A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (b) and (c) below, the governing body of a supported organization?		
<b>b</b> A family member of a person described in (a) above?		
<b>c</b> A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (a) or (b) above? If "Yes" to a, b, or c, provide detail in Part VI.		

**Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Did the directors, trustees, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's directors or trustees at all times during the tax year? If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove directors or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.		
<b>2</b> 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? If "Yes," explain in Part VI how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization.		

**Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> 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)? If "No," describe in Part VI how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s).		

**Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> 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?		
<b>2</b> 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? If "No," explain in Part VI how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).		
<b>3</b> By reason of the relationship described in (2), 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? If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.		

**Section E. Type III Functionally Integrated Supporting Organizations**

<b>1</b> Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions).		
<b>a</b> <input type="checkbox"/> The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete line 2 below.		
<b>b</b> <input type="checkbox"/> The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete line 3 below.		
<b>c</b> <input type="checkbox"/> The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in Part VI how you supported a government entity (see instructions).		
<b>2</b> Activities Test. Answer (a) and (b) below.		
<b>a</b> Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? If "Yes," then in Part VI identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.	Yes	No
<b>b</b> Did the activities described in (a) constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? If "Yes," explain in Part VI the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.		
<b>3</b> Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer (a) and (b) below.		
<b>a</b> Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? Provide details in Part VI.		
<b>b</b> Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs, and activities of each of its supported organizations? If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard.		

**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	<b>Adjusted Net Income</b> (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	<b>Total</b> (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d	
e	<b>Discount</b> claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in <b>Part VI</b> ):		
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 1-1/2% 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 .035	6	
7	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7	
8	<b>Minimum Asset Amount</b> (add line 7 to line 6)	8	

Section C - Distributable Amount		(A) Prior Year	Current Year
1	Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, Column A)	1	
2	Enter 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	<b>Distributable Amount.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions)	6	
7	<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions).		

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

Section D - Distributions	Current Year
<b>1</b> Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes	
<b>2</b> Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	
<b>3</b> Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	
<b>4</b> Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	
<b>5</b> Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required)	
<b>6</b> Other distributions (describe in <b>Part VI</b> ). See instructions	
<b>7 Total annual distributions.</b> Add lines 1 through 6	
<b>8</b> Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in <b>Part VI</b> ). See instructions	
<b>9</b> Distributable amount for 2016 from Section C, line 6	
<b>10</b> Line 8 amount divided by Line 9 amount	

Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2016	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2016
<b>1</b> Distributable amount for 2016 from Section C, line 6			
<b>2</b> Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2016 (reasonable cause required- explain in Part VI). See instructions			
<b>3</b> Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2016:			
<b>a</b>			
<b>b</b>			
<b>c</b> From 2013			
<b>d</b> From 2014			
<b>e</b> From 2015			
<b>f Total</b> of lines 3a through e			
<b>g</b> Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
<b>h</b> Applied to 2016 distributable amount			
<b>i</b> Carryover from 2011 not applied (see instructions)			
<b>j</b> Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f.			
<b>4</b> Distributions for 2016 from Section D, line 7: \$			
<b>a</b> Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
<b>b</b> Applied to 2016 distributable amount			
<b>c</b> Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4			
<b>5</b> Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2016, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions			
<b>6</b> Remaining underdistributions for 2016. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions			
<b>7 Excess distributions carryover to 2017.</b> Add lines 3j and 4c			
<b>8</b> Breakdown of line 7:			
<b>a</b>			
<b>b</b> Excess from 2013			
<b>c</b> Excess from 2014			
<b>d</b> Excess from 2015			
<b>e</b> Excess from 2016			

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**Part VI**

**Supplemental Information.** Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; Part III, line 12; Part IV, Section A, lines 1, 2, 3b, 3c, 4b, 4c, 5a, 6, 9a, 9b, 9c, 11a, 11b, and 11c; Part IV, Section B, lines 1 and 2; Part IV, Section C, line 1; Part IV, Section D, lines 2 and 3; Part IV, Section E, lines 1c, 2a, 2b, 3a, and 3b; Part V, line 1; Part V, Section B, line 1e; Part V, Section D, lines 5, 6, and 8; and Part V, Section E, lines 2, 5, and 6. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions.)

Multiple horizontal lines for supplemental information.

**SCHEDULE D**  
**(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Supplemental Financial Statements**

▶ **Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.**  
▶ **Attach to Form 990.**

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**Name of the organization** **AMERICANS FOR EFFECTIVE LAW ENFORCEMENT, INC.** **Employer identification number** **36-6140171**

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

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year .....		
2 Aggregate value of contributions to (during year) .....		
3 Aggregate value of grants from (during year) .....		
4 Aggregate value at end of year .....		
5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control? .....		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit? .....		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

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

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply).  
 Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or education)     Preservation of a historically important land area  
 Protection of natural habitat     Preservation of a certified historic structure  
 Preservation of open space

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

	Held at the End of the Tax Year
a Total number of conservation easements .....	2a
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements .....	2b
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a) .....	2c
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register .....	2d

3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

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

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

**Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items.

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

(i) Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 .....

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X .....

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

a Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 .....

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X .....

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

- 3** Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):
- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <b>a</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Public exhibition                   | <b>d</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Loan or exchange programs |
| <b>b</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarly research                  | <b>e</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____               |
| <b>c</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation for future generations |   |
- 4** Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII.
- 5** During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection?  Yes  No

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

- 1a** Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X?  Yes  No
- b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table:
- |  | Amount    |
|--|-----------|
| <b>c</b> Beginning balance .....             | <b>1c</b> |
| <b>d</b> Additions during the year .....     | <b>1d</b> |
| <b>e</b> Distributions during the year ..... | <b>1e</b> |
| <b>f</b> Ending balance .....                | <b>1f</b> |
- 2a** Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability?  Yes  No
- b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided on Part XIII

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

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
<b>1a</b> Beginning of year balance .....					
<b>b</b> Contributions .....					
<b>c</b> Net investment earnings, gains, and losses .....					
<b>d</b> Grants or scholarships .....					
<b>e</b> Other expenditures for facilities and programs .....					
<b>f</b> Administrative expenses .....					
<b>g</b> End of year balance .....					

- 2** Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:
- a** Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶ \_\_\_\_\_ %
- b** Permanent endowment ▶ \_\_\_\_\_ %
- c** Temporarily restricted endowment ▶ \_\_\_\_\_ %
- The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%.
- 3a** Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:
- |   | Yes           | No |
|---|---------------|----|
| <b>(i)</b> unrelated organizations .....  | <b>3a(i)</b>  |    |
| <b>(ii)</b> related organizations .....   | <b>3a(ii)</b> |    |
| <b>b</b> If "Yes" on line 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? ..... | <b>3b</b>     |    |
- 4** Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

**Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.**

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

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
<b>1a</b> Land .....				
<b>b</b> Buildings .....		495,335.	202,566.	292,769.
<b>c</b> Leasehold improvements .....				0.
<b>d</b> Equipment .....		39,073.	39,073.	0.
<b>e</b> Other .....		39,406.	39,406.	0.
<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c.) .....				292,769.

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**Part VII Investments - Other Securities.**

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

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives .....		
(2) Closely-held equity interests .....		
(3) Other		
(A) <b>MUTUAL FUNDS</b>	182,449.	<b>END-OF-YEAR MARKET VALUE</b>
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
<b>Total.</b> (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.) ▶	<b>182,449.</b>	

**Part VIII Investments - Program Related.**

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

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

**Part IX Other Assets.**

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

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

**Part X Other Liabilities.**

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

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	708.
(2) <b>ACCRUED EXPENSES</b>	53,803.
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25.) ▶	<b>54,511.</b>

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





**SCHEDULE O**  
**(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**

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 990-EZ.

▶ Information about Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990).

OMB No. 1545-0047

**2016**

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Name of the organization <b>AMERICANS FOR EFFECTIVE LAW ENFORCEMENT, INC.</b>	Employer identification number <b>36-6140171</b>
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FORM 990, PART I, LINE 1, DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION MISSION:

PRODUCES AND DISSEMINATES LEGAL INFORMATION THROUGH TRADITIONAL  
SEMINARS, VIA ELECTRONIC MEDIA AND DIRECT CONTACT.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11B:

A COPY OF FORM 990 AND 990-T IS PROVIDED TO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND  
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, WHO REVIEW THE FORM 990 BEFORE  
FILING.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C:

FOR EACH INTEREST DISCLOSED, THE BOARD WILL DETERMINE WHETHER TO : (A) TAKE  
NO ACTION; (B) ASSURE FULL DISCLOSURE TO AELE'S ACCOUNTANTS; (C) ASK THE  
PERSON TO RECUSE FROM PARTICIPATION IN RELATED DISCUSSIONS OR DECISIONS; OR  
(D) ASK THE PERSON TO RESIGN FROM HIS OR HER POSITION.

AELE'S EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND BUSINESS MANAGER WILL MONITOR PROPOSED OR  
ONGOING TRANSACTIONS FOR CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND DISCLOSE THEM TO THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS IN ORDER TO DEAL WITH POTENTIAL OR ACTUAL CONFLICTS,  
WHETHER DISCOVERED BEFORE OR AFTER THE TRANSACTION OCCURRED.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15B:

COMPENSATION PROCESS FOR OFFICERS:

THE COMPENSATION OF THE PERSON IS REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF  
DIRECTORS, PROVIDED THAT PERSONS WITH CONFLICT OF INTEREST WITH RESPECT TO  
THE COMPENSATION ARRANGEMENT, ARE NOT INVOLVED IN THIS REVIEW AND APPROVAL.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19:

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Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) (2016)

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Name of the organization	AMERICANS FOR EFFECTIVE LAW ENFORCEMENT, INC.	Employer identification number	36-6140171
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## GOVERNING DOCUMENTS DISCLOSURE EXPLANATION

ALL GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, POLICIES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AVAILABLE ON AMERICAN FOR EFFECTIVE LAW ENFORCEMENT, INC.'S WEBSITE.

## FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 24E, ALL OTHER FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES:

## POSTAGE AND SHIPPING:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	12,269.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	0.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	0.
TOTAL EXPENSES	12,269.

## FEES AND SERVICE CHARGES:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	0.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	12,097.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	0.
TOTAL EXPENSES	12,097.

## PUBLICATIONS:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	8,640.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	0.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	0.
TOTAL EXPENSES	8,640.

## COMMUNICATIONS:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	8,340.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	0.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	0.
TOTAL EXPENSES	8,340.

Name of the organization <b>AMERICANS FOR EFFECTIVE LAW ENFORCEMENT, INC.</b>	Employer identification number <b>36-6140171</b>
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LAW LIBRARY AND SUBSCRIPTIONS:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	7,895.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	0.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	0.
TOTAL EXPENSES	7,895.

INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT FEES:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	0.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	2,117.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	0.
TOTAL EXPENSES	2,117.

BUILDING MAINTENANCE:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	523.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	0.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	0.
TOTAL EXPENSES	523.

TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES ON FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 24E, COL A 51,881.

2016 DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION REPORT

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Asset No.	Description	Date Acquired	Method	Life	Conv	Line No.	Unadjusted Cost Or Basis	Bus % Excl	Section 179 Expense	* Reduction In Basis	Basis For Depreciation	Beginning Accumulated Depreciation	Current Sec 179 Expense	Current Year Deduction	Ending Accumulated Depreciation
1	IMPROVEMENTS VENTS	01/01/02	SL	7.00		HY17	1,441.				1,441.	1,441.		0.	1,441.
2	IMPROVEMENTS	01/01/00	SL	20.00		HY17	34,820.				34,820.	34,820.		0.	34,820.
3	IMPROVEMENTS	01/01/00	SL	5.00		HY17	3,145.				3,145.	3,145.		0.	3,145.
4	BUILDING	08/14/00	ADS	40.00		HY17	495,335.				495,335.	190,182.		12,383.	202,565.
5	FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT	01/01/00	SL	7.00		HY17	24,007.				24,007.	24,007.		0.	24,007.
6	VARIOUS EQUIPMENT	01/01/01	SL	5.00		HY17	5,203.				5,203.	5,203.		0.	5,203.
7	EQUIPMENT	03/31/04	SL	3.00		HY17	520.				520.	520.		0.	520.
8	PRINTERS	09/29/05	SL	3.00		HY17	2,550.				2,550.	2,550.		0.	2,550.
9	COMPUTERS	06/15/06	SL	3.00		HY17	1,975.				1,975.	1,975.		0.	1,975.
10	LAPTOP	01/01/07	SL	5.00		HY17	2,835.				2,835.	2,835.		0.	2,835.
11	LAPTOP	05/30/08	SL	5.00		HY17	1,983.				1,983.	1,983.		0.	1,983.
	* TOTAL 990 PAGE 10 DEPR						573,814.				573,814.	268,661.		12,383.	281,044.

Form **990-W**

**Estimated Tax on Unrelated Business Taxable Income for Tax-Exempt Organizations**

OMB No. 1545-0976

(Worksheet)  
Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

(and on Investment Income for Private Foundations) FORM 990-T

**2017**

Keep for your records. Do not send to the Internal Revenue Service.

1	Unrelated business taxable income expected in the tax year .....	1	
2	Tax on the amount on line 1. See instructions for tax computation .....	2	
3	Alternative minimum tax. See instructions .....	3	
4	Total. Add lines 2 and 3 .....	4	
5	Estimated tax credits. See instructions .....	5	
6	Subtract line 5 from line 4 .....	6	
7	Other taxes. See instructions .....	7	
8	Total. Add lines 6 and 7 .....	8	
9	Credit for federal tax paid on fuels. See instructions .....	9	
10a	Subtract line 9 from line 8. <b>Note:</b> If less than \$500, the organization is not required to make estimated tax payments. Private foundations, see instructions .....	10a	
b	Enter the tax shown on the 2016 return. See instructions. <b>Caution:</b> If zero or the tax year was for less than 12 months, skip this line and enter the amount from line 10a on line 10c .....	10b	1,346.
c	<b>2017 Estimated Tax.</b> Enter the smaller of line 10a or line 10b. If the organization is required to skip line 10b, enter the amount from line 10a on line 10c .....	10c	1,348.

		(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	
11	Installment due dates. See instructions .....	11	04/18/17	06/15/17	09/15/17	12/15/17
12	Required installments. Enter 25% of line 10c in columns (a) through (d). But see instructions if the organization uses the annualized income installment method, the adjusted seasonal installment method, or is a "large organization." .....	12	337.	337.	337.	337.
13	2016 Overpayment. See instructions .....	13	59.			
14	Payment due (Subtract line 13 from line 12) .....	14	278.	337.	337.	337.

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Form **990-W** (2017)

ESTIMATED TAX	1,348.
OVERPAYMENT APPLIED	59.
AMOUNT DUE	1,289.

# Exempt Organization Business Income Tax Return (and proxy tax under section 6033(e))

## 2016

For calendar year 2016 or other tax year beginning \_\_\_\_\_, and ending \_\_\_\_\_

▶ Information about Form 990-T and its instructions is available at [www.irs.gov/form990t](http://www.irs.gov/form990t).

▶ Do not enter SSN numbers on this form as it may be made public if your organization is a 501(c)(3).

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Open to Public Inspection for  
501(c)(3) Organizations Only

<b>A</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Check box if address changed  <b>B</b> Exempt under section <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 408(e) <input type="checkbox"/> 220(e) <input type="checkbox"/> 408A <input type="checkbox"/> 530(a) <input type="checkbox"/> 529(a)	Print or Type	Name of organization ( <input type="checkbox"/> Check box if name changed and see instructions.) <b>AMERICANS FOR EFFECTIVE LAW ENFORCEMENT, INC.</b> Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions. <b>175 OLDE HALF DAY ROAD, NO. 220</b> City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code <b>LINCOLNSHIRE, IL 60069</b>	<b>D</b> Employer identification number (Employees' trust, see instructions.) <b>36-6140171</b>  <b>E</b> Unrelated business activity codes (See instructions.) <b>531120</b>
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<b>C</b> Book value of all assets at end of year <b>234,110.</b>	<b>F</b> Group exemption number (See instructions.)	<b>G</b> Check organization type ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c) corporation <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) trust <input type="checkbox"/> 401(a) trust <input type="checkbox"/> Other trust
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**H** Describe the organization's primary unrelated business activity. ▶ **UNRELATED DEBT-FINANCED INCOME.**

**I** During the tax year, was the corporation a subsidiary in an affiliated group or a parent-subsidiary controlled group? ..... ▶  Yes  No  
If "Yes," enter the name and identifying number of the parent corporation. ▶

**J** The books are in care of ▶ **HELEN FINKEL** Telephone number ▶ **847-685-0700**

Part I Unrelated Trade or Business Income	(A) Income	(B) Expenses	(C) Net
<b>1a</b> Gross receipts or sales			
<b>b</b> Less returns and allowances			
<b>c</b> Balance ▶	<b>1c</b>		
<b>2</b> Cost of goods sold (Schedule A, line 7)	<b>2</b>		
<b>3</b> Gross profit. Subtract line 2 from line 1c	<b>3</b>		
<b>4a</b> Capital gain net income (attach Schedule D)	<b>4a</b>		
<b>b</b> Net gain (loss) (Form 4797, Part II, line 17) (attach Form 4797)	<b>4b</b>		
<b>c</b> Capital loss deduction for trusts	<b>4c</b>		
<b>5</b> Income (loss) from partnerships and S corporations (attach statement)	<b>5</b>		
<b>6</b> Rent income (Schedule C)	<b>6</b>		
<b>7</b> Unrelated debt-financed income (Schedule E)	<b>7</b>	131,350.	121,374.
<b>8</b> Interest, annuities, royalties, and rents from controlled organizations (Sch. F)...	<b>8</b>		
<b>9</b> Investment income of a section 501(c)(7), (9), or (17) organization (Schedule G)	<b>9</b>		
<b>10</b> Exploited exempt activity income (Schedule I)	<b>10</b>		
<b>11</b> Advertising income (Schedule J)	<b>11</b>		
<b>12</b> Other income (See instructions; attach schedule)	<b>12</b>		
<b>13 Total.</b> Combine lines 3 through 12	<b>13</b>	131,350.	121,374.

**Part II Deductions Not Taken Elsewhere** (See instructions for limitations on deductions.)  
(Except for contributions, deductions must be directly connected with the unrelated business income.)

<b>14</b> Compensation of officers, directors, and trustees (Schedule K)	<b>14</b>		
<b>15</b> Salaries and wages	<b>15</b>		
<b>16</b> Repairs and maintenance	<b>16</b>		
<b>17</b> Bad debts	<b>17</b>		
<b>18</b> Interest (attach schedule)	<b>18</b>		
<b>19</b> Taxes and licenses	<b>19</b>		
<b>20</b> Charitable contributions (See instructions for limitation rules)	<b>20</b>		
<b>21</b> Depreciation (attach Form 4562)	<b>21</b>	13,868.	
<b>22</b> Less depreciation claimed on Schedule A and elsewhere on return	<b>22a</b>	13,868.	<b>22b</b> 0.
<b>23</b> Depletion	<b>23</b>		
<b>24</b> Contributions to deferred compensation plans	<b>24</b>		
<b>25</b> Employee benefit programs	<b>25</b>		
<b>26</b> Excess exempt expenses (Schedule I)	<b>26</b>		
<b>27</b> Excess readership costs (Schedule J)	<b>27</b>		
<b>28</b> Other deductions (attach schedule)	<b>28</b>		
<b>29 Total deductions.</b> Add lines 14 through 28	<b>29</b>		0.
<b>30</b> Unrelated business taxable income before net operating loss deduction. Subtract line 29 from line 13	<b>30</b>		9,976.
<b>31</b> Net operating loss deduction (limited to the amount on line 30)	<b>31</b>		
<b>32</b> Unrelated business taxable income before specific deduction. Subtract line 31 from line 30	<b>32</b>		9,976.
<b>33</b> Specific deduction (Generally \$1,000, but see line 33 instructions for exceptions)	<b>33</b>		1,000.
<b>34 Unrelated business taxable income.</b> Subtract line 33 from line 32. If line 33 is greater than line 32, enter the smaller of zero or line 32	<b>34</b>		8,976.

**Part III Tax Computation**

<b>35 Organizations Taxable as Corporations.</b> See instructions for tax computation. Controlled group members (sections 1561 and 1563) check here <input type="checkbox"/> See instructions and:		
<b>a</b> Enter your share of the \$50,000, \$25,000, and \$9,925,000 taxable income brackets (in that order): (1) \$ _____ (2) \$ _____ (3) \$ _____		
<b>b</b> Enter organization's share of: (1) Additional 5% tax (not more than \$11,750) \$ _____ (2) Additional 3% tax (not more than \$100,000) \$ _____		
<b>c</b> Income tax on the amount on line 34	<b>35c</b>	1,346.
<b>36 Trusts Taxable at Trust Rates.</b> See instructions for tax computation. Income tax on the amount on line 34 from: <input type="checkbox"/> Tax rate schedule or <input type="checkbox"/> Schedule D (Form 1041)	<b>36</b>	
<b>37 Proxy tax.</b> See instructions	<b>37</b>	
<b>38 Alternative minimum tax</b>	<b>38</b>	
<b>39 Tax on Non-Compliant Facility Income.</b> See instructions	<b>39</b>	
<b>40 Total.</b> Add lines 37, 38 and 39 to line 35c or 36, whichever applies	<b>40</b>	1,346.

**Part IV Tax and Payments**

<b>41a</b> Foreign tax credit (corporations attach Form 1118; trusts attach Form 1116)	<b>41a</b>	
<b>b</b> Other credits (see instructions)	<b>41b</b>	
<b>c</b> General business credit. Attach Form 3800	<b>41c</b>	
<b>d</b> Credit for prior year minimum tax (attach Form 8801 or 8827)	<b>41d</b>	
<b>e Total credits.</b> Add lines 41a through 41d	<b>41e</b>	
<b>42</b> Subtract line 41e from line 40	<b>42</b>	1,346.
<b>43</b> Other taxes. Check if from: <input type="checkbox"/> Form 4255 <input type="checkbox"/> Form 8611 <input type="checkbox"/> Form 8697 <input type="checkbox"/> Form 8866 <input type="checkbox"/> Other (attach schedule)	<b>43</b>	
<b>44 Total tax.</b> Add lines 42 and 43	<b>44</b>	1,346.
<b>45a</b> Payments: A 2015 overpayment credited to 2016	<b>45a</b>	
<b>b</b> 2016 estimated tax payments	<b>45b</b>	1,413.
<b>c</b> Tax deposited with Form 8868	<b>45c</b>	
<b>d</b> Foreign organizations: Tax paid or withheld at source (see instructions)	<b>45d</b>	
<b>e</b> Backup withholding (see instructions)	<b>45e</b>	
<b>f</b> Credit for small employer health insurance premiums (Attach Form 8941)	<b>45f</b>	
<b>g</b> Other credits and payments: <input type="checkbox"/> Form 2439 <input type="checkbox"/> Form 4136 <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ Total	<b>45g</b>	
<b>46 Total payments.</b> Add lines 45a through 45g	<b>46</b>	1,413.
<b>47</b> Estimated tax penalty (see instructions). Check if Form 2220 is attached <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>47</b>	8.
<b>48 Tax due.</b> If line 46 is less than the total of lines 44 and 47, enter amount owed	<b>48</b>	
<b>49 Overpayment.</b> If line 46 is larger than the total of lines 44 and 47, enter amount overpaid	<b>49</b>	59.
<b>50</b> Enter the amount of line 49 you want: Credited to 2017 estimated tax 59.   Refunded	<b>50</b>	0.

**Part V Statements Regarding Certain Activities and Other Information** (see instructions)

<b>51</b> At any time during the 2016 calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account (bank, securities, or other) in a foreign country? If YES, the organization may have to file FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts. If YES, enter the name of the foreign country here	Yes	No
		X
<b>52</b> During the tax year, did the organization receive a distribution from, or was it the grantor of, or transferor to, a foreign trust? If YES, see instructions for other forms the organization may have to file.		X
<b>53</b> Enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year \$		

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 taxpayer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

**Sign Here**  
 Signature of officer \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ **VICE PRESIDENT**  
 Title \_\_\_\_\_  
 May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown below (see instructions)?  Yes  No

**Paid Preparer Use Only**  
 Print/Type preparer's name: **CHERYL K. ROHLFS, CPA**  
 Preparer's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Check  if self-employed PTIN: **P01387972**  
 Firm's name: **CHERYL ROHLFS & ASSOCIATES, LTD.** Firm's EIN: **36-3998689**  
 401 HUEHL ROAD, SUITE 2D  
 Firm's address: **NORTHBROOK, IL 60062** Phone no. **847-753-9200**

**Schedule A - Cost of Goods Sold.** Enter method of inventory valuation ► **N/A**

1 Inventory at beginning of year	1		6 Inventory at end of year	6	
2 Purchases	2		7 <b>Cost of goods sold.</b> Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter here and in Part I, line 2	7	
3 Cost of labor	3		8 Do the rules of section 263A (with respect to property produced or acquired for resale) apply to the organization?		Yes No
4a Additional section 263A costs (attach schedule)	4a				
b Other costs (attach schedule)	4b				
5 Total. Add lines 1 through 4b	5				

**Schedule C - Rent Income (From Real Property and Personal Property Leased With Real Property)**

(see instructions)

1. Description of property

(1)
(2)
(3)
(4)

2. Rent received or accrued

(a) From personal property (if the percentage of rent for personal property is more than 10% but not more than 50%)	(b) From real and personal property (if the percentage of rent for personal property exceeds 50% or if the rent is based on profit or income)	3(a) Deductions directly connected with the income in columns 2(a) and 2(b) (attach schedule)
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
Total	0.	Total

(c) **Total income.** Add totals of columns 2(a) and 2(b). Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 6, column (A) **0.** (b) **Total deductions.** Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 6, column (B) **0.**

**Schedule E - Unrelated Debt-Financed Income** (see instructions)

1. Description of debt-financed property	2. Gross income from or allocable to debt-financed property	3. Deductions directly connected with or allocable to debt-financed property	
		(a) Straight line depreciation (attach schedule) <b>STATEMENT 1</b>	(b) Other deductions (attach schedule) <b>STATEMENT 2</b>
(1) SPECTRUM LLC - REAL ESTATE			
(2) COMPANY	131,350.	13,868.	107,506.
(3)			
(4)			
4. Amount of average acquisition debt on or allocable to debt-financed property (attach schedule) <b>STATEMENT 3</b>	5. Average adjusted basis of or allocable to debt-financed property (attach schedule) <b>STATEMENT 4</b>	6. Column 4 divided by column 5	7. Gross income reportable (column 2 x column 6)
(1)		%	
(2) 1,929,608.	1,268,733.	100.00%	131,350.
(3)		%	
(4)		%	
<b>Totals</b>			Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 7, column (A). <b>131,350.</b>
<b>Total dividends-received deductions</b> included in column 8			Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 7, column (B). <b>121,374.</b>
			<b>0.</b>



**Schedule F - Interest, Annuities, Royalties, and Rents From Controlled Organizations** (see instructions)

1. Name of controlled organization	2. Employer identification number	Exempt Controlled Organizations			
		3. Net unrelated income (loss) (see instructions)	4. Total of specified payments made	5. Part of column 4 that is included in the controlling organization's gross income	6. Deductions directly connected with income in column 5
(1)					
(2)					
(3)					
(4)					

**Nonexempt Controlled Organizations**

7. Taxable income	8. Net unrelated income (loss) (see instructions)	9. Total of specified payments made	10. Part of column 9 that is included in the controlling organization's gross income	11. Deductions directly connected with income in column 10
(1)				
(2)				
(3)				
(4)				
<b>Totals</b> .....			Add columns 5 and 10. Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 8, column (A). 0.	Add columns 6 and 11. Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 8, column (B). 0.

**Schedule G - Investment Income of a Section 501(c)(7), (9), or (17) Organization** (see instructions)

1. Description of income	2. Amount of income	3. Deductions directly connected (attach schedule)	4. Set-asides (attach schedule)	5. Total deductions and set-asides (col. 3 plus col. 4)
(1)				
(2)				
(3)				
(4)				
<b>Totals</b> .....		Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 9, column (A). 0.		Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 9, column (B). 0.

**Schedule I - Exploited Exempt Activity Income, Other Than Advertising Income** (see instructions)

1. Description of exploited activity	2. Gross unrelated business income from trade or business	3. Expenses directly connected with production of unrelated business income	4. Net income (loss) from unrelated trade or business (column 2 minus column 3). If a gain, compute cols. 5 through 7.	5. Gross income from activity that is not unrelated business income	6. Expenses attributable to column 5	7. Excess exempt expenses (column 6 minus column 5, but not more than column 4).
(1)						
(2)						
(3)						
(4)						
<b>Totals</b> .....		Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 10, col. (A). 0.	Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 10, col. (B). 0.			Enter here and on page 1, Part II, line 26. 0.

**Schedule J - Advertising Income** (see instructions)

**Part I Income From Periodicals Reported on a Consolidated Basis**

1. Name of periodical	2. Gross advertising income	3. Direct advertising costs	4. Advertising gain or (loss) (col. 2 minus col. 3). If a gain, compute cols. 5 through 7.	5. Circulation income	6. Readership costs	7. Excess readership costs (column 6 minus column 5, but not more than column 4).
(1)						
(2)						
(3)						
(4)						
<b>Totals</b> (carry to Part II, line (5)) .....		0.	0.			0.

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**Part II** **Income From Periodicals Reported on a Separate Basis** (For each periodical listed in Part II, fill in columns 2 through 7 on a line-by-line basis.)

1. Name of periodical	2. Gross advertising income	3. Direct advertising costs	4. Advertising gain or (loss) (col. 2 minus col. 3). If a gain, compute cols. 5 through 7.	5. Circulation income	6. Readership costs	7. Excess readership costs (column 6 minus column 5, but not more than column 4).
(1)						
(2)						
(3)						
(4)						
<b>Totals from Part I</b> .....	<b>0.</b>	<b>0.</b>				<b>0.</b>
<b>Totals, Part II (lines 1-5)</b> .....	Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 11, col. (A). <b>0.</b>	Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 11, col. (B). <b>0.</b>				Enter here and on page 1, Part II, line 27. <b>0.</b>

**Schedule K - Compensation of Officers, Directors, and Trustees** (see instructions)

1. Name	2. Title	3. Percent of time devoted to business	4. Compensation attributable to unrelated business
(1)		%	
(2)		%	
(3)		%	
(4)		%	
<b>Total.</b> Enter here and on page 1, Part II, line 14 .....			<b>0.</b>

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FORM 990-T                      SCHEDULE E - DEPRECIATION DEDUCTION                      STATEMENT    1

DESCRIPTION	ACTIVITY NUMBER	AMOUNT	TOTAL
DEPRECIATION EXPENSE		13,868.	
- SUBTOTAL -	1		13,868.
TOTAL OF FORM 990-T, SCHEDULE E, COLUMN 3(A)			13,868.

FORM 990-T                      SCHEDULE E - OTHER DEDUCTIONS                      STATEMENT    2

DESCRIPTION	ACTIVITY NUMBER	AMOUNT	TOTAL
OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES		107,506.	
- SUBTOTAL -	1		107,506.
TOTAL OF FORM 990-T, SCHEDULE E, COLUMN 3(B)			107,506.

FORM 990-T                      AVERAGE ACQUISITION DEBT ON OR  
ALLOCABLE TO DEBT-FINANCED PROPERTY                      STATEMENT    3

DESCRIPTION	ACTIVITY NUMBER	AMOUNT	TOTAL
AVERAGE DEBT		1,929,608.	
- SUBTOTAL -	1		1,929,608.
TOTAL OF FORM 990-T, SCHEDULE E, COLUMN 4			1,929,608.



# Underpayment of Estimated Tax by Corporations

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

▶ Attach to the corporation's tax return. **FORM 990-T**

**2016**

▶ Information about Form 2220 and its separate instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form2220](http://www.irs.gov/form2220).

Name **AMERICANS FOR EFFECTIVE LAW ENFORCEMENT, INC.**

Employer identification number  
**36-6140171**

**Note:** Generally, the corporation isn't required to file Form 2220 (see Part II below for exceptions) because the IRS will figure any penalty owed and bill the corporation. However, the corporation may still use Form 2220 to figure the penalty. If so, enter the amount from page 2, line 38 on the estimated tax penalty line of the corporation's income tax return, but **do not** attach Form 2220.

## Part I Required Annual Payment

1	Total tax (see instructions) .....	1	1,346.
2a	Personal holding company tax (Schedule PH (Form 1120), line 26) included on line 1 .....		
2b	Look-back interest included on line 1 under section 460(b)(2) for completed long-term contracts or section 167(g) for depreciation under the income forecast method .....		
2c	Credit for federal tax paid on fuels (see instructions) .....		
2d	<b>Total.</b> Add lines 2a through 2c .....		
3	Subtract line 2d from line 1. If the result is less than \$500, <b>do not</b> complete or file this form. The corporation doesn't owe the penalty .....	3	1,346.
4	Enter the tax shown on the corporation's 2015 income tax return. See instructions. <b>Caution: If the tax is zero or the tax year was for less than 12 months, skip this line and enter the amount from line 3 on line 5</b> .....	4	1,883.
5	<b>Required annual payment.</b> Enter the <b>smaller</b> of line 3 or line 4. If the corporation is required to skip line 4, enter the amount from line 3 .....	5	1,346.

## Part II Reasons for Filing - Check the boxes below that apply. If any boxes are checked, the corporation **must** file Form 2220 even if it doesn't owe a penalty. See instructions.

- 6  The corporation is using the adjusted seasonal installment method.
- 7  The corporation is using the annualized income installment method.
- 8  The corporation is a "large corporation" figuring its first required installment based on the prior year's tax.

## Part III Figuring the Underpayment

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
9 <b>Installment due dates.</b> Enter in columns (a) through (d) the 15th day of the 4th ( <b>Form 990-PF filers:</b> Use 5th month), 6th, 9th, and 12th months of the corporation's tax year .....	04/15/16	06/15/16	09/15/16	12/15/16
10 <b>Required installments.</b> If the box on line 6 and/or line 7 above is checked, enter the amounts from Sch A, line 38. If the box on line 8 (but not 6 or 7) is checked, see instructions for the amounts to enter. If none of these boxes are checked, enter 25% (0.25) of line 5 above in each column. ....	337.	336.	337.	336.
11 Estimated tax paid or credited for each period. For column (a) only, enter the amount from line 11 on line 15. See instructions .....			1,413.	
<b>Complete lines 12 through 18 of one column before going to the next column.</b>				
12 Enter amount, if any, from line 18 of the preceding column .....				403.
13 Add lines 11 and 12 .....			1,413.	403.
14 Add amounts on lines 16 and 17 of the preceding column .....		337.	673.	
15 Subtract line 14 from line 13. If zero or less, enter -0- .....	0.	0.	740.	403.
16 If the amount on line 15 is zero, subtract line 13 from line 14. Otherwise, enter -0- .....		337.	0.	
17 <b>Underpayment.</b> If line 15 is less than or equal to line 10, subtract line 15 from line 10. Then go to line 12 of the next column. Otherwise, go to line 18 .....	337.	336.		
18 <b>Overpayment.</b> If line 10 is less than line 15, subtract line 10 from line 15. Then go to line 12 of the next column .....			403.	

**Go to Part IV on page 2 to figure the penalty. Do not go to Part IV if there are no entries on line 17 - no penalty is owed.**

**Part IV Figuring the Penalty**

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
<b>19</b> Enter the date of payment or the 15th day of the 4th month after the close of the tax year, whichever is earlier. <i>(C Corporations with tax years ending June 30 and S corporations: Use 3rd month instead of 4th month. Form 990-PF and Form 990-T filers: Use 5th month instead of 4th month.)</i> See instructions .....	<b>19</b>			
<b>20</b> Number of days from due date of installment on line 9 to the date shown on line 19 .....	<b>20</b>			
<b>21</b> Number of days on line 20 after 4/15/2016 and before 7/1/2016 .....	<b>21</b>			
<b>22</b> Underpayment on line 17 x $\frac{\text{Number of days on line 21} \times 4\% (0.04)}{366}$ ...	<b>22</b> \$	\$	\$	\$
<b>23</b> Number of days on line 20 after 06/30/2016 and before 10/1/2016 .....	<b>23</b>			
<b>24</b> Underpayment on line 17 x $\frac{\text{Number of days on line 23} \times 4\% (0.04)}{366}$ ...	<b>24</b> \$	\$	\$	\$
<b>25</b> Number of days on line 20 after 9/30/2016 and before 1/1/2017 .....	<b>25</b>			
<b>26</b> Underpayment on line 17 x $\frac{\text{Number of days on line 25} \times 4\% (0.04)}{366}$ ...	<b>26</b> \$	\$	\$	\$
<b>27</b> Number of days on line 20 after 12/31/2016 and before 4/1/2017 .....	<b>27</b>	<b>SEE ATTACHED WORKSHEET</b>		
<b>28</b> Underpayment on line 17 x $\frac{\text{Number of days on line 27} \times 4\% (0.04)}{365}$ ...	<b>28</b> \$	\$	\$	\$
<b>29</b> Number of days on line 20 after 3/31/2017 and before 7/1/2017 .....	<b>29</b>			
<b>30</b> Underpayment on line 17 x $\frac{\text{Number of days on line 29} \times \%}{365}$ .....	<b>30</b> \$	\$	\$	\$
<b>31</b> Number of days on line 20 after 6/30/2017 and before 10/1/2017 .....	<b>31</b>			
<b>32</b> Underpayment on line 17 x $\frac{\text{Number of days on line 31} \times \%}{365}$ .....	<b>32</b> \$	\$	\$	\$
<b>33</b> Number of days on line 20 after 9/30/2017 and before 1/1/2018 .....	<b>33</b>			
<b>34</b> Underpayment on line 17 x $\frac{\text{Number of days on line 33} \times \%}{365}$ .....	<b>34</b> \$	\$	\$	\$
<b>35</b> Number of days on line 20 after 12/31/2017 and before 3/16/2018 .....	<b>35</b>			
<b>36</b> Underpayment on line 17 x $\frac{\text{Number of days on line 35} \times \%}{365}$ .....	<b>36</b> \$	\$	\$	\$
<b>37</b> Add lines 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32, 34, and 36 .....	<b>37</b> \$	\$	\$	\$
<b>38 Penalty.</b> Add columns (a) through (d) of line 37. Enter the total here and on Form 1120, line 33; or the comparable line for other income tax returns .....	<b>38</b>			<b>8.</b>

\* Use the penalty interest rate for each calendar quarter, which the IRS will determine during the first month in the preceding quarter. These rates are published quarterly in an IRS News Release and in a revenue ruling in the Internal Revenue Bulletin. To obtain this information on the Internet, access the IRS website at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov). You can also call 1-800-829-4933 to get interest rate information.



Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service (99)

▶ Attach to your tax return.

▶ Information about Form 4562 and its separate instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form4562](http://www.irs.gov/form4562).

Attachment  
Sequence No. 179

Name(s) shown on return <b>AMERICANS FOR EFFECTIVE LAW ENFORCEMENT, INC.</b>	Business or activity to which this form relates <b>FORM 990 PAGE 10</b>	Identifying number <b>36-6140171</b>
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**Part I Election To Expense Certain Property Under Section 179** Note: If you have any listed property, complete Part V before you complete Part I.

1 Maximum amount (see instructions) .....	<b>1</b>	500,000.
2 Total cost of section 179 property placed in service (see instructions) .....	<b>2</b>	
3 Threshold cost of section 179 property before reduction in limitation .....	<b>3</b>	2,010,000.
4 Reduction in limitation. Subtract line 3 from line 2. If zero or less, enter -0- .....	<b>4</b>	
5 Dollar limitation for tax year. Subtract line 4 from line 1. If zero or less, enter -0-. If married filing separately, see instructions .....	<b>5</b>	
<b>6</b> (a) Description of property (b) Cost (business use only) (c) Elected cost		
7 Listed property. Enter the amount from line 29 .....	<b>7</b>	
8 Total elected cost of section 179 property. Add amounts in column (c), lines 6 and 7 .....	<b>8</b>	
9 Tentative deduction. Enter the smaller of line 5 or line 8 .....	<b>9</b>	
10 Carryover of disallowed deduction from line 13 of your 2015 Form 4562 .....	<b>10</b>	
11 Business income limitation. Enter the smaller of business income (not less than zero) or line 5 .....	<b>11</b>	
12 Section 179 expense deduction. Add lines 9 and 10, but don't enter more than line 11 .....	<b>12</b>	
13 Carryover of disallowed deduction to 2017. Add lines 9 and 10, less line 12 .....	<b>13</b>	

Note: Don't use Part II or Part III below for listed property. Instead, use Part V.

**Part II Special Depreciation Allowance and Other Depreciation (Don't include listed property.)**

14 Special depreciation allowance for qualified property (other than listed property) placed in service during the tax year .....	<b>14</b>	
15 Property subject to section 168(f)(1) election .....	<b>15</b>	
16 Other depreciation (including ACRS) .....	<b>16</b>	

**Part III MACRS Depreciation (Don't include listed property.) (See instructions.)**

**Section A**

17 MACRS deductions for assets placed in service in tax years beginning before 2016 .....	<b>17</b>	12,383.
18 If you are electing to group any assets placed in service during the tax year into one or more general asset accounts, check here <input type="checkbox"/>		

**Section B - Assets Placed in Service During 2016 Tax Year Using the General Depreciation System**

(a) Classification of property	(b) Month and year placed in service	(c) Basis for depreciation (business/investment use only - see instructions)	(d) Recovery period	(e) Convention	(f) Method	(g) Depreciation deduction
19a 3-year property						
b 5-year property						
c 7-year property						
d 10-year property						
e 15-year property						
f 20-year property						
g 25-year property			25 yrs.		S/L	
h Residential rental property	/		27.5 yrs.	MM	S/L	
	/		27.5 yrs.	MM	S/L	
i Nonresidential real property	/		39 yrs.	MM	S/L	
	/			MM	S/L	

**Section C - Assets Placed in Service During 2016 Tax Year Using the Alternative Depreciation System**

20a Class life					S/L	
b 12-year			12 yrs.		S/L	
c 40-year	/		40 yrs.	MM	S/L	

**Part IV Summary (See instructions.)**

21 Listed property. Enter amount from line 28 .....	<b>21</b>	
22 Total. Add amounts from line 12, lines 14 through 17, lines 19 and 20 in column (g), and line 21. Enter here and on the appropriate lines of your return. Partnerships and S corporations - see instr. ....	<b>22</b>	12,383.
23 For assets shown above and placed in service during the current year, enter the portion of the basis attributable to section 263A costs .....	<b>23</b>	



**Part V Listed Property** (Include automobiles, certain other vehicles, certain aircraft, certain computers, and property used for entertainment, recreation, or amusement.)

**Note:** For any vehicle for which you are using the standard mileage rate or deducting lease expense, complete **only** 24a, 24b, columns (a) through (c) of Section A, all of Section B, and Section C if applicable.

**Section A - Depreciation and Other Information (Caution: See the instructions for limits for passenger automobiles.)**

**24a** Do you have evidence to support the business/investment use claimed?  **Yes**  **No** **24b** If "Yes," is the evidence written?  **Yes**  **No**

(a) Type of property (list vehicles first)	(b) Date placed in service	(c) Business/ investment use percentage	(d) Cost or other basis	(e) Basis for depreciation (business/investment use only)	(f) Recovery period	(g) Method/ Convention	(h) Depreciation deduction	(i) Elected section 179 cost
<b>25</b> Special depreciation allowance for qualified listed property placed in service during the tax year and used more than 50% in a qualified business use .....							<b>25</b>	
<b>26</b> Property used more than 50% in a qualified business use:								
		%						
		%						
		%						
<b>27</b> Property used 50% or less in a qualified business use:								
		%				S/L -		
		%				S/L -		
		%				S/L -		
<b>28</b> Add amounts in column (h), lines 25 through 27. Enter here and on line 21, page 1 .....							<b>28</b>	
<b>29</b> Add amounts in column (i), line 26. Enter here and on line 7, page 1 .....								<b>29</b>

**Section B - Information on Use of Vehicles**

Complete this section for vehicles used by a sole proprietor, partner, or other "more than 5% owner," or related person. If you provided vehicles to your employees, first answer the questions in Section C to see if you meet an exception to completing this section for those vehicles.

	(a) Vehicle		(b) Vehicle		(c) Vehicle		(d) Vehicle		(e) Vehicle		(f) Vehicle	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
<b>30</b> Total business/investment miles driven during the year (don't include commuting miles) .....												
<b>31</b> Total commuting miles driven during the year .....												
<b>32</b> Total other personal (noncommuting) miles driven .....												
<b>33</b> Total miles driven during the year. Add lines 30 through 32 .....												
<b>34</b> Was the vehicle available for personal use during off-duty hours? .....												
<b>35</b> Was the vehicle used primarily by a more than 5% owner or related person? .....												
<b>36</b> Is another vehicle available for personal use? .....												

**Section C - Questions for Employers Who Provide Vehicles for Use by Their Employees**

Answer these questions to determine if you meet an exception to completing Section B for vehicles used by employees who aren't more than 5% owners or related persons.

	Yes	No
<b>37</b> Do you maintain a written policy statement that prohibits all personal use of vehicles, including commuting, by your employees? .....		
<b>38</b> Do you maintain a written policy statement that prohibits personal use of vehicles, except commuting, by your employees? See the instructions for vehicles used by corporate officers, directors, or 1% or more owners .....		
<b>39</b> Do you treat all use of vehicles by employees as personal use? .....		
<b>40</b> Do you provide more than five vehicles to your employees, obtain information from your employees about the use of the vehicles, and retain the information received? .....		
<b>41</b> Do you meet the requirements concerning qualified automobile demonstration use? .....		

**Note:** If your answer to 37, 38, 39, 40, or 41 is "Yes," don't complete Section B for the covered vehicles.

**Part VI Amortization**

(a) Description of costs	(b) Date amortization begins	(c) Amortizable amount	(d) Code section	(e) Amortization period or percentage	(f) Amortization for this year
<b>42</b> Amortization of costs that begins during your 2016 tax year:					
<b>43</b> Amortization of costs that began before your 2016 tax year .....					<b>43</b>
<b>44 Total.</b> Add amounts in column (f). See the instructions for where to report .....					<b>44</b>