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ILLINOIS CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION ANNUAL REPORT

Form AG990-IL

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Attorney General LISA MADIGAN State of Illinois

Charitable Trust Bureau, 100 West Randolph

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CO # 01003879

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Report for the Fiscal Period:

Beginning 01/01/2013

& Ending 12/31/2013

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Federal ID # 36-6140171

Are contributions to the organization tax deductible? ☒ Yes ☐ NoMake Checks
Payable to
the Illinois
Charity
Bureau Fund

Check all items attached:

- ☒ Copy of IRS Return
☒ Audited Financial Statements
☐ Copy of Form IFC
☒ \$15.00 Annual Report Filing Fee
☒ \$100.00 Late Report Filing Fee

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LEGAL NAME MAIL ADDRESS CITY, STATE ZIP CODE	Americans For Effective Law Enforcement, Inc. 841 W. Touhy Avenue Park Ridge IL 60068-3351	Year-end amounts	
		A) ASSETS	A) \$ 482,655
		B) LIABILITIES	B) \$ 187,686
		C) NET ASSETS	C) \$ 294,969
I. SUMMARY OF ALL REVENUE ITEMS DURING THE YEAR:		PERCENTAGE	AMOUNT
D) PUBLIC SUPPORT, CONTRIBUTIONS & PROGRAM SERVICE REV. (GROSS AMTS.)		89 %	D) \$ 371,663
E) GOVERNMENT GRANTS & MEMBERSHIP DUES		0 %	E) \$ 0
F) OTHER REVENUES		11 %	F) \$ 47,506
G) TOTAL REVENUE, INCOME AND CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED (ADD D, E, & F)		100 %	G) \$ 419,169
II. SUMMARY OF ALL EXPENDITURES DURING THE YEAR:			
H) OPERATING CHARITABLE PROGRAM EXPENSE		80 %	H) \$ 352,760
I) EDUCATION PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSE		%	I) \$
J) TOTAL CHARITABLE PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSE (ADD H & I)		80 %	J) \$ 352,760
J') JOINT COSTS ALLOCATED TO PROGRAM SERVICES (INCLUDED IN J):	\$		
K) GRANTS TO OTHER CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS		%	K) \$
L) TOTAL CHARITABLE PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENDITURE (ADD J & K)		80 %	L) \$ 352,760
M) MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSE		20 %	M) \$ 86,428
N) FUNDRAISING EXPENSE		%	N) \$
O) TOTAL EXPENDITURES THIS PERIOD (ADD L, M, & N)		100 %	O) \$ 439,188
III. SUMMARY OF ALL PAID FUNDRAISER AND CONSULTANT ACTIVITIES: (Attach Attorney General Report of Individual Fundraising Campaign- Form IFC. One for each PFR.)			
PROFESSIONAL FUNDRAISERS:			
P) TOTAL AMOUNT RAISED BY PAID PROFESSIONAL FUNDRAISERS		100 %	P) \$
Q) TOTAL FUNDRAISERS FEES AND EXPENSES		%	Q) \$
R) NET RECEIVED BY THE CHARITY (P MINUS Q=R)		%	R) \$
PROFESSIONAL FUNDRAISING CONSULTANTS:			
S) TOTAL AMOUNT PAID TO PROFESSIONAL FUNDRAISING CONSULTANTS			S) \$
IV. COMPENSATION TO THE (3) HIGHEST PAID PERSONS DURING THE YEAR:			
T) NAME, TITLE: Wayne Schmidt Executive Director		T) \$	30,000
U) NAME, TITLE: Helen Finkel Business Manager		U) \$	35,025
V) NAME, TITLE: Melissa Taki Supervisor		V) \$	18,695
V. CHARITABLE PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: CHARITABLE PROGRAM (3 HIGHEST BY \$ EXPENDED) CODE CATEGORIES		List on back side of instructions CODE	
W) DESCRIPTION: Law Enforcement Legal Defense Center		W) #	090
X) DESCRIPTION: Amicus Curiae Program		X) #	090
Y) DESCRIPTION: General Criminal Justice Activities		Y) #	090

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IF THE ANSWER TO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING IS YES, ATTACH A DETAILED EXPLANATION:

	YES	NO
1. WAS THE ORGANIZATION THE SUBJECT OF ANY COURT ACTION, FINE, PENALTY OR JUDGMENT?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2. HAS THE ORGANIZATION OR A CURRENT DIRECTOR, TRUSTEE, OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE THEREOF, EVER BEEN CONVICTED BY ANY COURT OF ANY MISDEMEANOR INVOLVING THE MISUSE OR MISAPPROPRIATION OF FUNDS OR ANY FELONY?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3. DID THE ORGANIZATION MAKE A GRANT AWARD OR CONTRIBUTION TO ANY ORGANIZATION IN WHICH ANY OF ITS OFFICERS, DIRECTORS OR TRUSTEES OWNS AN INTEREST; OR WAS IT A PARTY TO ANY TRANSACTION IN WHICH ANY OF ITS OFFICERS, DIRECTORS OR TRUSTEES HAS A MATERIAL FINANCIAL INTEREST; OR DID ANY OFFICER, DIRECTOR OR TRUSTEE RECEIVE ANYTHING OF VALUE NOT REPORTED AS COMPENSATION?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4. HAS THE ORGANIZATION INVESTED IN ANY CORPORATE STOCK IN WHICH ANY OFFICER, DIRECTOR OR TRUSTEE OWNS MORE THAN 10% OF THE OUTSTANDING SHARES?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5. IS ANY PROPERTY OF THE ORGANIZATION HELD IN THE NAME OF OR COMMINGLED WITH THE PROPERTY OF ANY OTHER PERSON OR ORGANIZATION?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6. DID THE ORGANIZATION USE THE SERVICES OF A PROFESSIONAL FUNDRAISER? (ATTACH FORM IFC)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7a. DID THE ORGANIZATION ALLOCATE THE COST OF ANY SOLICITATION, MAILING, ADVERTISEMENT OR LITERATURE COSTS BETWEEN PROGRAM SERVICE AND FUNDRAISING EXPENSES?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7b. IF "YES", ENTER (i) THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF THESE JOINT COSTS \$ _____; (ii) THE AMOUNT ALLOCATED TO PROGRAM SERVICES \$ _____; (iii) THE AMOUNT ALLOCATED TO MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL \$ _____; AND (iv) THE AMOUNT ALLOCATED TO FUNDRAISING \$ _____		
8. DID THE ORGANIZATION EXPEND ITS RESTRICTED FUNDS FOR PURPOSES OTHER THAN RESTRICTED PURPOSES?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
9. HAS THE ORGANIZATION EVER BEEN REFUSED REGISTRATION OR HAD ITS REGISTRATION OR TAX EXEMPTION SUSPENDED OR REVOKED BY ANY GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
10. WAS THERE OR DO YOU HAVE ANY KNOWLEDGE OF ANY KICKBACK, BRIBE, OR ANY THEFT, DEFALCATION MISAPPROPRIATION, COMMINGLING OR MISUSE OF ORGANIZATIONAL FUNDS?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11. LIST THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS WHERE THE ORGANIZATION MAINTAINS ITS THREE LARGEST ACCOUNTS: <u>William Blair & Co, LLC (2 Accts), 222 W. Adams St, Chicago, IL 60606;</u> <u>The Northern Trust Company, 7801 S State St, Chicago, IL 60619</u>		
12. NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF CONTACT PERSON: <u>Helen Finkel</u> 847-685-0700		

ALL ATTACHMENTS MUST ACCOMPANY THIS REPORT - SEE INSTRUCTIONS

UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY, I (WE) THE UNDERSIGNED DECLARE AND CERTIFY THAT I (WE) HAVE EXAMINED THIS ANNUAL REPORT AND THE ATTACHED DOCUMENTS, INCLUDING ALL THE SCHEDULES AND STATEMENTS AND THE FACTS THEREIN STATED ARE TRUE AND COMPLETE AND FILED WITH THE ILLINOIS ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE PURPOSE OF HAVING THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS RELY THEREUPON. I HEREBY FURTHER AUTHORIZE AND AGREE TO SUBMIT MYSELF AND THE REGISTRANT HEREBY TO THE JURISDICTION OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.

BE SURE TO INCLUDE ALL FEES DUE: 1.) REPORTS ARE DUE WITHIN SIX MONTHS OF YOUR FISCAL YEAR END. 2.) FOR FEES DUE SEE INSTRUCTIONS. 3.) REPORTS THAT ARE LATE OR INCOMPLETE ARE SUBJECT TO A \$100.00 PENALTY.	Wayne W. Schmidt		
	PRESIDENT or TRUSTEE (PRINT NAME)	SIGNATURE	DATE
	Helen Finkel		
	TREASURER or TRUSTEE (PRINT NAME)	SIGNATURE	DATE
	Craig D. Johnson		
	PREPARER (PRINT NAME)	SIGNATURE	DATE

Americans for Effective Law Enforcement, Inc.

Audited Financial Statements

Years Ended December 31, 2013 (Audited) and 2012 (Reviewed)

Americans for Effective Law Enforcement, Inc.

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December 31, 2012 (Reviewed)

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors
Americans for Effective Law Enforcement, Inc.
Park Ridge, Illinois

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Americans for Effective Law Enforcement, Inc. (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2013, and the related statements of activities, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due from fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting principles used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Americans for Effective Law Enforcement, Inc. as of December 31, 2013, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Report on Comparative Information

The accompanying 2012 financial statements of Americans for Effective Law Enforcement, Inc. were previously reviewed by us, and we stated that we were not aware of any material modifications that should have been made to those statements in order for them to be in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America in our report dated May 30, 2013. But, we have not performed any procedures in connection with that review engagement since that date.

SULLIVAN AND JOHNSON, LTD.

October 21, 2014

Americans for Effective Law Enforcement, Inc.

Comparative Statements of Financial Position

December 31, 2013 (Audited) and December 31, 2012 (Reviewed)

	2013	2012
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 122,002	\$ 90,737
Marketable securities	153,031	120,465
Accounts receivable	8,745	16,390
Prepaid expenses	13,831	16,831
Total Current Assets	297,609	244,423
Property and Equipment		
Building and improvements	565,634	565,634
Furniture and equipment	104,859	104,859
	670,493	670,493
Less: accumulated depreciation	(338,508)	(324,383)
Total Net Property and Equipment	331,985	346,109
Other Assets		
Investment - partnership	(146,940)	(148,776)
Total Other Assets	(146,940)	(148,776)
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 482,655	\$ 441,756

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Americans for Effective Law Enforcement, Inc.

Comparative Statements of Financial Position

December 31, 2013 (Audited) and December 31, 2012 (Reviewed)

	2013	2012
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ 15,716	\$ 4,921
Accrued real estate taxes	19,300	14,182
Accrued vacation	58,565	53,273
Income taxes payable	1,659	1,053
Deferred revenue	<u>92,445</u>	<u>55,160</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>187,686</u>	<u>128,589</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>187,686</u>	<u>128,589</u>
Net Assets		
Unrestricted net assets	<u>294,969</u>	<u>313,167</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>294,969</u>	<u>313,167</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	<u>\$ 482,655</u>	<u>\$ 441,756</u>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Americans for Effective Law Enforcement, Inc.

Comparative Statements of Activities

For the Years Ended December 31, 2013 (Audited) and December 31, 2012 (Reviewed)

	2013	2012
REVENUES		
Workshops (net of discounts)	\$ 371,663	\$ 286,599
Investment income	2,838	4,121
Realized gains (losses) on marketable securities	12,461	17,441
Unrealized gains (losses) on marketable securities	19,541	6,226
Investment gain (loss) - partnership	12,666	8,424
TOTAL REVENUES	419,168	322,811
EXPENSES		
Workshops	140,649	100,114
Salaries and wages	88,617	79,008
Payroll taxes	6,405	6,338
Building maintenance	2,948	-
Computer expense	3,264	4,463
Depreciation	14,124	14,124
Insurance	42,741	51,656
Investment management fees	2,493	3,987
Law library and subscriptions	11,948	11,980
Miscellaneous	14	28
Office supplies	2,089	7,024
Outside services	20,383	16,545
Postage and shipping	15,586	11,576
Professional fees	10,938	12,117
Professional writing	15,420	15,420
Publications	8,640	8,640
Real estate taxes	24,420	15,409
Taxes and service charges	13,597	15,835
Telephone	5,037	5,532
Travel and entertainment	3,466	4,285

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Americans for Effective Law Enforcement, Inc.

Comparative Statements of Activities

For the Years Ended December 31, 2013 (Audited) and December 31, 2012 (Reviewed)

	2013	2012
Utilities	<u>4,588</u>	<u>4,910</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>437,367</u>	<u>388,991</u>
CHANGE IN UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS	<u>(18,199)</u>	<u>(66,181)</u>
NET ASSETS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>313,167</u>	<u>379,348</u>
NET ASSETS AS OF END OF YEAR	<u><u>\$ 294,969</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 313,167</u></u>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Americans for Effective Law Enforcement, Inc.

Comparative Statements of Cash Flows

For the Years Ended December 31, 2013 (Audited) and December 31, 2012 (Reviewed)

	2013	2012
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Change in net assets	\$ (18,199)	\$ (66,181)
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities		
Depreciation	14,124	14,124
Realized losses (gains) on marketable securities	(12,461)	(17,441)
Unrealized losses (gains) on marketable securities	(19,541)	(6,226)
Investment loss (gain) - partnership	(12,666)	(8,424)
(Increase) decrease in:		
Accounts receivable	7,645	(3,575)
Prepaid expenses	3,000	(8,443)
Increase (decrease) in:		
Accounts payable	10,795	(12,278)
Deferred revenue	37,285	(11,680)
Other liabilities	11,006	(1,745)
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	20,989	(121,868)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Investment partnership distributions	10,840	4,864
Purchase of marketable securities	(140,514)	(76,288)
Proceeds from sale of marketable securities	139,950	197,674
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES	10,276	126,250
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
	-	-
NET CASH FLOW PROVIDED (USED) BY FINANCING ACTIVITIES	-	-
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	31,265	4,383
Cash and cash equivalents as of beginning of the year	90,737	86,354
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AS OF END OF YEAR	\$ 122,002	\$ 90,737

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Americans for Effective Law Enforcement, Inc.

Notes to Financial Statements

For the Years Ended December 31, 2013 (Audited) and
December 31, 2012 (Reviewed)

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Organization and Nature of Activities

Americans for Effective Law Enforcement, Inc. (AELE) maintains a national legal research center to assist law enforcement agencies. They provide legal publications and workshops as well as filing amicus curiae briefs in the United States Supreme Court and other major courts in support of law enforcement issues.

Basis of Accounting

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the accrual method of accounting in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and accordingly reflect all significant receivables, payables, and other liabilities.

The net assets of the organization are all classified as unrestricted, which represents the portion of expendable net assets that are available for operations.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Impact on Accounting and Reporting of New Pronouncements

The financial accounting and reporting principles currently adopted by AELE which affect reported amounts, presentations and related disclosures are subject to change from time to time based on new pronouncement and/or rules issued by various governmental agencies. New pronouncements not yet in effect as of December 31, 2013, are not expected to have any significant impact on AELE's financial position and results of operations.

Americans for Effective Law Enforcement, Inc.

Notes to Financial Statements

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December 31, 2012 (Reviewed)

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, *Continued*

Fair Value Measurements

In accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) Topic 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, fair value is defined as a market-based measurement, not an entity-specific measurement. The objective of a fair value measurement is to estimate the price at which an orderly transaction to sell the asset or to transfer the liability would take place between market participants at the measurement date under current market conditions (that is, an exit price at the measurement date from the perspective of a market participant that holds the assets or owes the liability). A fair value measurement assumes that the transaction to sell the asset or transfer the liability either occurs in the principal market (or in its absence, the most advantageous market) for the asset or liability.

For some assets and liabilities, observable market transactions or market information may be available. For other assets and liabilities, observable market transactions and market information might not be available. When a price for an identical asset and liability is not observable, a reporting entity measures fair value using another valuation technique that maximizes the use of relevant observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. Because fair value is a market-based measurement, it is measured using the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability, including assumptions about risk. As a result, a reporting entity's intention to hold an asset or settle or otherwise fulfill a liability is not relevant when measuring fair value.

Cash Equivalents and Concentrations of Custodial Risk

Cash equivalents are considered to be highly liquid depository accounts with a maturity of less than 90 days. Under the Federal bailout program, the FDIC announced that, effective November 15, 2008, all transactional and non-interest bearing bank accounts are fully guaranteed regardless of balance until December 31, 2013. In addition, all interest-bearing accounts are fully insured up to \$250,000.

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NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, *Continued*

Investments

AELE accounts for investments in marketable securities at their fair values as of the date of the Statement of Financial Position. Realized and unrealized gains and losses are included in the change in net assets for the period.

Accounts Receivable

The accounts receivable arise in the normal course of business. It is the policy of management to review the outstanding accounts receivable at year end, as well as the bad debt write-offs experienced in the past, and write off all balances they feel are uncollectible amounts. This direct write-off method does not produce results that are materially different than the allowance for doubtful accounts method.

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are capitalized at cost. It is AELE's policy to capitalize expenditures for these items in excess of \$1,000. Lesser amounts are expensed. Furniture and equipment is being depreciated over estimated useful lives of three to seven years using a straight-line method, with a half of a year's depreciation recognized in the years of acquisition and disposal. Building and improvements are being depreciated over estimated useful lives of five to forty years using the straight-line method. Depreciation expense for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012 was \$14,124 and \$14,124, respectively.

Deferred Revenue

Deferred revenue is shown in the statements of financial position. These amounts are advanced receipts of workshop fees applicable to future periods.

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NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, *Continued*

Tax-Exempt Status

The Internal Revenue Service has issued a determination letter that AELE is a nonprofit organization, as defined under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. As such, AELE is generally exempt from federal and state income taxes. In additions, AELE has been classified as an organization other than a private foundation under Section 509(a).

Income Tax Matters

Effective January 1, 2010, AELE adopted ASC 740-10-50-15, Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes, with no cumulative effect adjustment required. Income tax benefits are recognized for income tax positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return, only when it is determined that the income tax position will more-likely-than-not be sustained upon examination by taxing authorities.

AELE has analyzed tax positions taken for filing with the Internal Revenue Service and the state jurisdiction where it operates. AELE believes that income tax filing positions will be sustained upon examination and does not anticipate any adjustments that would result in a material adverse affect on AELE's financial condition, results of operations, or cash flows. Accordingly, AELE has not recorded any reserves, or related accruals for interest and penalties for uncertain tax positions at December 31, 2013.

Income tax returns filed by AELE are subject to examination by tax authorities until May 15, 2017.

AELE files Form 990, Information Return of an Exempt Organization with the Federal government. AELE also files federal Form 990-T and Illinois Form 990-T to report unrelated business income from the investment partnership partially owned by AELE (see Note 5). The Organization also files an information return with the Illinois Attorney General's office.

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NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, *Continued*

Subsequent Events

Management has reviewed subsequent events and transactions which occurred after December 31, 2013 through the date of the accountant's review report on these financial statements, which is the date that the financial statements were available for release. The financial statements include all events or transactions, including estimates, required to be recognized in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. Management has also determined that there are no non-recognized subsequent events which require additional disclosure in order for these financial statements to not be misleading.

NOTE 2 – FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) Topic 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, provides a framework for measuring fair value. That framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. Fair value focuses on the price that would be received to sell the asset or paid to transfer the liability regardless of whether an observable liquid market price existed (an exit price). An exit price valuation will include margins for risk even if they are not observable. As the Organization is released from risk, the margins for risk will also be released through net realized capital gains (losses) in net income. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under FASB ASC 820 are described below:

Level 1: Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Organization has the ability to access.

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NOTE 2 – FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS, *Continued*

Level 2: Inputs to the valuation methodology include:

- Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
- Quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;
- Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability;
- Inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

Level 3: Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement. Level 3 assets and liabilities measured at fair value are based on one or more of three valuation techniques:

- Market approach – prices and other relevant information generated by market transactions involving identical or comparable assets or liabilities (including a business);
- Cost approach – amount that would be required to replace the service capacity of an asset (i.e., current replacement cost);
- Income approach – techniques that convert future amounts to a single present amount based on current market expectations about those future amounts (including present value techniques, option-pricing models, and lattice models).

The asset's and liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

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NOTE 2 – FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS, *Continued*

The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used during the year ended December 31, 2013.

Cash and cash equivalents: Valued at stated closing amount.

Common stocks: Certain common stocks are valued at the closing price reported in the active market in which the individual securities are traded. Investments in certain restricted common stocks are valued at the quoted market price of the issuer's unrestricted common stock less an appropriate discount. If a quoted market price for unrestricted common stock of the issuer is not available, restricted common stocks are valued at a multiple of current earnings less an appropriate discount. The multiple chosen is consistent with multiples of similar companies based on current market prices.

The preceding methods described may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, while the Company believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

The Organization invests in various investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market, and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and such changes could materially affect the Organization's investments and the amounts reported in the balance sheet and the statement of income and comprehensive income.

Management reviews for other than temporary declines in accordance with the requirements of fair value measurements. The Organization's investments in mutual funds consist primarily of investments in exchange-traded debt and equity securities. Within the fund balance certain individual investments may have fair values measured below cost. The severity of any impairment and the duration of any impairment correlate with current market conditions. Based upon the near-

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NOTE 2 – FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS, *Continued*

term prospects of the issue of any of those securities in relation to the severity and duration of the impairment, and based upon the Organization's ability and intent to hold those investments for a reasonable period of time sufficient for a forecasted recovery of fair value, the Organization does not consider those investments to be other-than-temporary impaired at December 31, 2013.

The following financial instruments are carried at fair value in the Organization's financial statements: marketable securities. These fair value disclosures include information regarding the valuation of the Organization's investments as of December 31, 2013:

	Cost	Fair Value on a Recurring Basis			
		Fair Value Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Available for sale securities:					
Marketable equity securities	\$ 118,217	\$ 152,340	\$ 152,340	\$ -	\$ -
	<u>\$ 118,217</u>	<u>\$ 152,340</u>	<u>\$ 152,340</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

NOTE 3 – CONCENTRATION OF CUSTODIAL RISK

AELE considers its checking and money market accounts to be cash and cash equivalents. As of December 31, 2013 and 2012, the Organization's uninsured cash balances totaled \$0 and \$0, respectively.

Americans for Effective Law Enforcement, Inc.

Notes to Financial Statements

For the Years Ended December 31, 2013 (Audited) and
December 31, 2012 (Reviewed)

NOTE 4 – MARKETABLE SECURITIES

The Organization's marketable securities consist of equity securities. As of December 31, 2013 and 2012, the Organization had unrealized gains (losses) on these securities as follows:

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
Market value	\$ 152,340	\$ 120,465
Original cost	<u>118,217</u>	<u>104,058</u>
Unrealized gain (loss)	<u>\$ 34,123</u>	<u>\$ 16,407</u>

NOTE 5 – BUILDING PURCHASE

In August 2000, AELE purchased a building in Park Ridge, Illinois for its own exclusive use for \$495,000 in cash. AELE is required to pay real estate taxes as they are regularly assessed. Real estate taxes amounting to \$19,301 and \$14,182 have been accrued for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

NOTE 6 – INVESTMENT – PARTNERSHIP

In 1993, AELE purchased an interest in Spectrum, LLC (a real estate limited liability company) for \$150,000, which is accounted for using the equity method. In 2000, an additional \$41,640 was contributed due to a capital call by the managing partner. At December 31, 2013 and 2012, the book value of the Organization's 13.89% interest amounted to \$(146,940) and \$(148,776), respectively. A summary of financial information of Spectrum, LLC as of December 31, 2013 and 2012 is shown below:

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
Net assets	\$ 1,845,322	\$ 1,883,533
Net liabilities	2,239,687	2,291,114
Net sales	871,744	873,280
Net income	91,216	60,493

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NOTE 7 – COMPENSATED ABSENCES

AELE has a vesting vacation policy for its full-time employees. The amounts of existing vacation time remaining as of December 31, 2013 and 2012 were \$58,565 and \$53,273, respectively.

NOTE 8 – POSTRETIREMENT PLAN

AELE sponsors a defined post-retirement plan that covers health care premiums for its full-time employees. Eligible persons are either:

- Those who have worked for AELE full-time for at least 20 years, and are still employed at the Organization at age 65, or
- Those who have worked full-time at the AELE for at least 25 years, and are still employed at the Organization at age 62, and
- who retire, work part-time or work in an unpaid or reduced compensation emeritus status.

The plan is noncontributory and is unfunded. AELE will provide supplemental coverage to all eligible employees with limits on premium payments of four percent of the premium cost for each year of full-time service as an employee.

Form

990Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**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.

OMB No. 1545-0047

2013**Open to Public Inspection****A For the 2013 calendar year, or tax year beginning , and ending****B** Check if applicable:☐ Address change☐ Name change☐ Initial return☐ Terminated☐ Amended return☐ Application pending**C** Name of organization **Americans For Effective Law Enforcement, Inc.**

Doing Business As

Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite

841 W. Touhy Avenue

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code

Park Ridge IL 60068-3351**F** Name and address of principal officer:**Wayne W. Schmidt****D** Employer identification number**36-6140171****E** Telephone number**G** Gross receipts \$ **608,820****H(a)** Is this a group return for subordinates? ☐ Yes ☒ No**H(b)** Are all subordinates included? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "No," attach a list. (see instructions)

H(c) Group exemption number ▶**I** Tax-exempt status: ☒ 501(c)(3) ☐ 501(c) () (insert no.) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527**J** Website: ▶ **www.aele.org****K** Form of organization: ☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other ▶**L** Year of formation: **1966****M** State of legal domicile: **IL****Part I Summary**

Activities & Governance	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: 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 Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.		
	3	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	
	4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	
	5	Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2013 (Part V, line 2a)	
	6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	
Revenue	7a	Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	
	7b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	
		Prior Year	Current Year
Expenses	8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	
	9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	
	10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	
	11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	
	12	Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	
	13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	
	14	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	
	15	Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	
	16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	
	16b	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 0	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	
	18	Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	
	19	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	
	20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	
	21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	
	22	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	

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.

Sign Here

Signature of officer

Date

Helen C. Finkel**Vice President**

Type or print name and title

Paid**Preparer****Use Only**

Print/Type preparer's name

Preparer's signature

Date

Check ☐ if PTIN**Craig D. Johnson****Craig D. Johnson****05/23/14**

self-employed

P00921408Firm's name ▶ **Sullivan and Johnson, Ltd.**Firm's EIN ▶ **26-3917917**Firm's address ▶ **1420 Renaissance Dr Ste 205**Phone no. **847-759-6100****Park Ridge, IL 60068-1342**

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions)

☐ Yes ☐ No

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

Form **990** (2013)

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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

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.

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

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.

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 \$ **352,760** including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

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 **352,760**

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A	X	
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors (see instructions)?		X
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I		X
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II		X
5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III		X
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I		X
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II		X
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III		X
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability; serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV		X
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V		X
11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable.		
a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI	X	
b Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII		X
c Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII		X
d Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX		X
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X	X	
f Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X		X
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII		X
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional		X
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E		X
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		X
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV		X
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV		X
16 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV		X
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I (see instructions)		X
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II		X
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III		X
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H		X
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

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

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax ComplianceCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V ☐

		Yes	No
1a Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable	1a 13		
b Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable	1b 0		
c Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	1c		X
2a Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	2a 3		
b If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions)	2b	X	
3a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	3a	X	
b If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation in Schedule O	3b	X	
4a 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)?	4a		X
b If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: See instructions for filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.			
5a Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5a		X
b Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5b		X
c If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	5c		
6a 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?	6a		X
b If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	6b		
7 Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).			
a Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?	7a		
b If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7b		
c Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7c		
d If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7d		
e Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7e		
f Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7f		
g If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7g		
h If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	7h		
8 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations. Did the supporting organization, or a donor advised fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	8		
9 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.			
a Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?	9a		
b Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	9b		
10 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:			
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a		
b Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b		
11 Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter:			
a Gross income from members or shareholders	11a		
b Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	11b		
12a Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12a		
b If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b		
13 Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.			
a Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.	13a		
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	13b		
c Enter the amount of reserves on hand	13c		
14a Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14a		X
b If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	14b		

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**

	1a	11	1b	10	Yes	No
1a 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.		11				
b Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent			1b	10		
2 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?					2	X
3 Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors, or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?					3	X
4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?					4	X
5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?					5	X
6 Did the organization have members or stockholders?					6	X
7a 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?					7a	X
b Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?					7b	X
8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:						
a The governing body?					8a	X
b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?					8b	X
9 Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O					9	X

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

	Yes	No
10a Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	10a	X
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?	10b	
11a Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	11a	X
b Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.		
12a Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	12a	X
b Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	12b	X
c Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done	12c	X
13 Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	13	X
14 Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	14	X
15 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?		
a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	15a	X
b Other officers or key employees of the organization	15b	X
If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions).		
16a Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?	16a	X
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?	16b	X

Section C. Disclosure

17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ► **None**

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, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization: ► **Helen Finkel** **841 W. Touhy Avenue** **IL 60068-3351 847-685-0700**
Park Ridge

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 organizations compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted 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) Wayne W. Schmidt	21.00									
Sec - Exec Director	0.00	X		X				30,000	0	0
(2) George P. Graves	0.00									
Director	0.00	X						0	0	0
(3) Charles A. Gruber	0.00									
Director	0.00	X						0	0	0
(4) Russell B. Laine	0.00									
Director	0.00	X						0	0	0
(5) Charles D. Reynolds	0.00									
Treasurer	0.00	X		X				0	0	0
(6) Richard N. Williams	0.00									
Director	0.00	X						0	0	0
(7) Daniel B. Hales	0.00									
President	0.00	X		X				0	0	0
(8) Chet Epperson	0.00									
Director	0.00	X						0	0	0
(9) Eric Daigle	0.00									
Director	0.00	X						0	0	0
(10) Giacomo (Jack) A. Pecoraro	0.00									
Director	0.00	X						0	0	0
(11) Alan C. Youngs	0.00									
Director	0.00	X						0	0	0

Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted 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			
(12) Emory A. Plitt, Jr.	0.00									
Director	0.00	X						0	0	0
(13) Helen Finkel	18.00									
VP-Business Manager	0.00			X				35,025	0	0
(14)										
(15)										
(16)										
(17)										
(18)										
(19)										
1b Sub-total								65,025		
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A										
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)								65,025		

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 in reportable compensation from the organization **0**

3 Did the organization list any **former** officer, director, or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual

	Yes	No
3		X
4		X
5		X

4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual

5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization **0**

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
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a Federated campaigns	1a				
	b Membership dues	1b				
	c Fundraising events	1c				
	d Related organizations	1d				
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e				
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f				
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$					
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f					
Program Service Revenue	2a Workshops	Busn. Code	371,663	371,663		
	b					
	c					
	d					
	e					
	f All other program service revenue					
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f		371,663			
	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		2,838	2,838		
4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds						
5 Royalties						
Other Revenue	6a Gross rents	(i) Real 121,155	(ii) Personal			
	b Less: rental exps.	108,489				
	c Rental inc. or (loss)	12,666				
	d Net rental income or (loss)			12,666	12,666	
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities 93,623	(ii) Other			
	b Less: cost or other basis & sales exps.	81,162				
	c Gain or (loss)	12,461				
	d Net gain or (loss)			12,461	12,461	
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	a				
	b Less: direct expenses	b				
	c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events					
	9a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	a				
	b Less: direct expenses	b				
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities					
10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a					
b Less: cost of goods sold	b					
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory						
Miscellaneous Revenue		Busn. Code				
11a Unrealized Gain (Loss)			19,541	19,541		
b						
c						
d All other revenue						
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d			19,541			
12 Total revenue. See instructions.			419,169	406,503	12,666	0

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 ☐**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 governments and organizations in the U.S. See Part IV, line 21				
2 Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U.S. See Part IV, line 22				
3 Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the U.S. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	30,000	24,000	6,000	
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	58,617	46,894	11,723	
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)				
9 Other employee benefits				
10 Payroll taxes	6,405	5,124	1,281	
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management				
b Legal				
c Accounting				
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 Schedule O.)				
12 Advertising and promotion				
13 Office expenses	29,593	23,663	5,930	
14 Information technology				
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	9,625	7,700	1,925	
17 Travel	3,466	3,466		
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	140,649	112,519	28,130	
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	14,125	11,300	2,825	
23 Insurance	42,741	34,193	8,548	
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 Taxes and Service Charges	35,158	28,126	7,032	
b Professional Fees	26,358	21,086	5,272	
c Outside Services	20,383	20,383		
d Law Library	11,948	11,948		
e All other expenses	10,120	2,358	7,762	
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	439,188	352,760	86,428	0
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

Part X Balance SheetCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X. ☐

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest bearing	78,720	1	108,486
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	12,016	2	14,208
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	
	4 Accounts receivable, net	16,390	4	8,745
	5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions). Complete Part II of Schedule L		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	16,831	9	13,831
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 670,493		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 338,508		
		346,110	10c	331,985
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	120,465	11	152,340
	12 Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11		12	
	13 Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	-148,776	15	-146,940	
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	441,756	16	482,655	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	72,376	17	93,583
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue		19	
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 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		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25 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	54,393	25	94,104
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	126,769	26	187,687
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	314,987	27	294,968
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets		28	
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32	
33 Total net assets or fund balances	314,987	33	294,968	
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	441,756	34	482,655	

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

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

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	419,169
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	439,188
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-20,019
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	314,987
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	294,968

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

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

	Yes	No
1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: <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.		
2a 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 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 type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		X
c If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.	X	
3a 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 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.		

Form **990** (2013)

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support

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

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

▶ Information about Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

OMB No. 1545-0047

2013

Open to Public Inspection

Name of the organization

Americans For Effective Law Enforcement, Inc.

Employer identification number

36-6140171

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

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 11, check only one box.)

- 1 ☐ A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).**
- 2 ☐ A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).** (Attach Schedule E.)
- 3 ☐ A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).**
- 4 ☐ A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).** Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: _____
- 5 ☐ An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv).** (Complete Part II.)
- 6 ☐ A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).**
- 7 ☐ An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
- 8 ☐ A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
- 9 ☒ An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2).** (Complete Part III.)
- 10 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4).**
- 11 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2).** See **section 509(a)(3).** Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h.
- a ☐ Type I b ☐ Type II c ☐ Type III—Functionally integrated d ☐ Type III—Non-functionally integrated
- e ☐ By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2).**
- f ☐ If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, or Type III supporting organization, check this box _____
- g ☐ Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons?

- (i) A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (ii) and (iii) below, the governing body of the supported organization? _____
- (ii) A family member of a person described in (i) above? _____
- (iii) A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above? _____

	Yes	No
11g(i)		
11g(ii)		
11g(iii)		

h Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1–9 above or IRC section (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization in col. (i) listed in your governing document?		(v) Did you notify the organization in col. (i) of your support?		(vi) Is the organization in col. (i) organized in the U.S.?		(vii) Amount of monetary support
			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
(A)									
(B)									
(C)									
(D)									
(E)									
Total									

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Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2013

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) 2009	(b) 2010	(c) 2011	(d) 2012	(e) 2013	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3						
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2009	(b) 2010	(c) 2011	(d) 2012	(e) 2013	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4						
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	
13 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 ► <input type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2013 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	%
15 Public support percentage from 2012 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	%
16a 33 1/3% support test—2013. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 33 1/3% support test—2012. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2013. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2012. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions ► <input type="checkbox"/>		

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

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 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) 2009	(b) 2010	(c) 2011	(d) 2012	(e) 2013	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose	669,966	374,148	253,732	296,946	394,042	1,988,834
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5	669,966	374,148	253,732	296,946	394,042	1,988,834
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						1,988,834

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2009	(b) 2010	(c) 2011	(d) 2012	(e) 2013	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6	669,966	374,148	253,732	296,946	394,042	1,988,834
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on			647	7,424	11,666	19,737
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)	669,966	374,148	254,379	304,370	405,708	2,008,571
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 <input type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2013 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	99.02 %
16 Public support percentage from 2012 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	99.98 %

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2013 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2012 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	%

- 19a 33 1/3% support tests—2013.** 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—2012.** 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 **Supplemental Information.** Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; and Part III, line 12. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions).

Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2013

**SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Supplemental Financial Statements**▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990,
Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.

▶ Attach to Form 990.

▶ Information about Schedule D (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

OMB No. 1545-0047

2013**Open to Public
Inspection**

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" to Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year		
2 Aggregate contributions to (during year)		
3 Aggregate 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" to Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply).

<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or education)	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of an historically important land area
<input type="checkbox"/> Protection of natural habitat	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of a certified historic structure
<input type="checkbox"/> 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, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, 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" to 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) Revenues included in 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 Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ▶ \$

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X ▶ \$

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):

- a ☐ Public exhibition
 b ☐ Scholarly research
 c ☐ Preservation for future generations
 d ☐ Loan or exchange programs
 e ☐ Other

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" to 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
c Beginning balance	1c
d Additions during the year	1d
e Distributions during the year	1e
f Ending balance	1f

2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided in Part XIII ☐ Yes ☐ No

Part V Endowment Funds.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

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

- (i) unrelated organizations
 (ii) related organizations

b If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? ☐ Yes ☐ No

	Yes	No
3a(i)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3a(ii)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3b	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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" to 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
1a Land				
b Buildings		495,335	165,416	329,919
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment				
e Other		175,158	173,092	2,066
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).) ▶				331,985

Part VII Investments—Other Securities.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to 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)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.) ▶		

Part VIII Investments—Program Related.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to 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)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 13.) ▶		

Part IX Other Assets.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to 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)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 15.) ▶	

Part X Other Liabilities.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to 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		
(2) Deferred Income	92,445	
(3) Income Tax Payable	1,659	
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25.) ▶	94,104	

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 ☐

Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements		1	419,169
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:			
a	Net unrealized gains on investments	2a		
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b		
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d		
e	Add lines 2a through 2d		2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	419,169
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a		
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b		
c	Add lines 4a and 4b		4c	
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)		5	419,169

Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements		1	417,547
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:			
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a		
b	Prior year adjustments	2b		
c	Other losses	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d		
e	Add lines 2a through 2d		2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	417,547
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a		
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b	21,641	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b		4c	21,641
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)		5	439,188

Part XIII Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, lines 1a and 4; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b; Part V, line 4; Part X, line 2; Part XI, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

Part XII, Line 4b - Expense Amounts Included on Return - Other

Book / Tax Depreciation Difference \$ 21,641

Part XIII Supplemental Information (continued)

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.

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Employer identification number

36-6140171**Form 990, Part VI, Line 11b - Organization's Process to Review Form 990**

A copy of Form 990 and 990-T is provided to Wayne Schmidt - Executive Director, who reads through the document before signing. If any questions or concerns are noted, they are discussed with preparer and appropriate changes are made and then re-submitted to Wayne Schmidt for approval.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 12c - Enforcement of Conflicts Policy

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 conflicts 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, 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 at issue are not involved in this review and approval.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 19 - Governing Documents Disclosure Explanation

All governing documents, policies and financial statements are available on American for Effective Law Enforcement, Inc.'s website.