

Form 990

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No 1545-0047

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

2014

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A For the 2014 calendar year, or tax year beginning 01-01-2014, and ending 12-31-2014

- B Check if applicable
Address change
Name change
Initial return
Final return/terminated
Amended return
Application pending

C Name of organization
CENTER FOR AMERICAN PROGRESS ACTION FUND
Doing business as
Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
1333 H STREET NW 10TH FLOOR
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
WASHINGTON, DC 20005

D Employer identification number
30-0192708
E Telephone number
(202) 682-1611
G Gross receipts \$ 6,496,325

F Name and address of principal officer
TOREY CARTER
1333 H STREET NW 10TH FLOOR
WASHINGTON, DC 20005

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)

I Tax-exempt status 501(c)(3) 501(c)(4) (insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527

J Website: WWW.AMERICANPROGRESSACTION.ORG

H(c) Group exemption number

K Form of organization Corporation Trust Association Other

L Year of formation 2002

M State of legal domicile DC

Part I Summary

Table with 3 main sections: Activities & Governance, Revenue, and Expenses. Includes rows for mission statement, member counts, revenue breakdown, and net assets.

Part II Signature Block

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

Sign Here
Signature of officer: TOREY CARTER CFO & TREASURER

Paid Preparer Use Only
Print/Type preparer's name: FRANK H SMITH
Preparer's signature: FRANK H SMITH
Firm's name: RAFFA PC
Firm's address: 1899 L STREET NW SUITE 900 WASHINGTON, DC 20036

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

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

**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

THE CENTER FOR AMERICAN PROGRESS ACTION FUND'S (THE ACTION FUND) MISSION IS TO IMPACT THE NATIONAL DEBATE AND TRANSFORM PROGRESSIVE IDEAS INTO POLICY THROUGH RAPID RESPONSE COMMUNICATIONS, PUBLIC EDUCATION, GRASSROOTS ORGANIZATION AND ADVOCACY IN PARTNERSHIP WITH AMERICAN CITIZENS, EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE BRANCH POLICYMAKERS AND PROGRESSIVE LEADERS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY AND THE WORLD

**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 \$ 4,579,870 including grants of \$ 29,888 ) (Revenue \$ )

COMMUNICATIONS ADVANCED PROGRESSIVE IDEAS AND MESSAGES THROUGH ONLINE REPORTING INCLUDING THE THINK PROGRESS WEB SITE AND EXPANDED USE OF ONLINE SOCIAL MEDIA AS WELL AS TRADITIONAL NEWS MEDIA ADDRESSED TIMELY PUBLIC POLICY AND POLITICAL ISSUES THROUGH RAPID RESPONSE AND ANALYSIS MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS INCLUDED PROJECTS ON CLIMATE CHANGE, VOTER SUPPRESSION, WOMEN'S RIGHTS, AND IMMIGRATION REFORM

**4b** (Code ) (Expenses \$ 969,622 including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

EXTERNAL RELATIONS PROJECTS WERE UNDERTAKEN TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC, ANTICIPATE AND SHAPE THE NATIONAL DEBATE, AND CHALLENGE THE MEDIA TO COVER THE ISSUES THAT TRULY MATTER, THROUGH A WIDE ARRAY OF DISSEMINATION CHANNELS, INCLUDING FAITH COMMUNITIES, CAMPUS ORGANIZATIONS, PRINT, BROADCAST, AND ONLINE MEDIA EXTERNAL RELATIONS WORK ON POVERTY ISSUES THROUGH THE HALF-IN-TEN PROJECT WAS A FOCUS OF THIS YEAR'S ACTIVITIES

**4c** (Code ) (Expenses \$ 466,755 including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

ECONOMIC POLICY ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED BY THE ECONOMIC POLICY TEAM IN 2014 INCLUDED PROJECTS ON INCREASING THE MINIMUM WAGE, RETIREMENT POLICY REFORM, AND ECONOMIC INEQUALITY THIS WORK INCLUDED ORIGINAL RESEARCH, WRITING AND PUBLISHING REPORTS, ISSUE BRIEFS, AND PAPERS, AND HOSTING AND PARTICIPATING IN MEETINGS AND EVENTS RELATED TO THESE ACTIVITIES

See Additional Data

**4d** Other program services (Describe in Schedule O )  
(Expenses \$ 738,929 including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

**4e Total program service expenses** 6,755,176

**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Section A. Governing Body and Management**

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

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

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

**Section C. Disclosure**

<b>17</b>	List the States with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed	AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, FL, GA, HI, IL, KS, KY, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, TN, UT, VA, WA, WV, WI
<b>18</b>	Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply. <input type="checkbox"/> Own website <input type="checkbox"/> Another's website <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Upon request <input type="checkbox"/> Other (explain in Schedule O)	
<b>19</b>	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	
<b>20</b>	State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records TOREY CARTER 1333 H STREET NW 10TH FLOOR WASHINGTON, DC 20005 (202) 741-6276	

**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, or highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations

• List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations

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

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

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below 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) JOHN PODESTA CHAIR & DIRECTOR (UNTIL 01/2014)	1 00	X		X				0	0	0
(2) WENDY ABRAMS DIRECTOR	1 00	X						0	0	0
(3) ANNA BURGER DIRECTOR	1 00	X						0	0	0
(4) PETER EDELMAN DIRECTOR	1 00	X						0	0	0
(5) JUDITH FEDER DIRECTOR	1 00	X						0	0	0
(6) CHRISTIE HEFNER DIRECTOR	1 00	X						0	0	0
(7) HAROLD ICKES DIRECTOR	1 00	X						0	0	0
(8) BRODERICK JOHNSON DIRECTOR (UNTIL 02/2014)	1 00	X						0	0	0
(9) RON KLAIN DIRECTOR (UNTIL 10/2014)	1 00	X						0	0	0
(10) MOLLY MCUSIC DIRECTOR	1 00	X						0	0	0
(11) HILARY ROSEN DIRECTOR	1 00	X						0	0	0
(12) NEERA TANDEN DIRECTOR/COUNSELOR	4 00	X		X				22,784	0	2,943
(13) TED STRICKLAND PRESIDENT (AS OF 04/2014)	35 00			X				142,580	0	13,623
(14) TOM PERRIELLO PRESIDENT & CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER	37 00			X				43,611	0	4,482

**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			
(15) JOSEPH W SMOLSKIS CFO & TREASURER (UNTIL 08/2014)	5 00			X				29,199	0	2,627
(16) CARMEL MARTIN TREASURER	1 00			X				3,738	0	507
(17) DEBORAH HOLSTON ACTING SVP, FINANCE	8 00			X				27,913	0	2,342
(18) DEBORAH L FINE SVP, GENERAL COUNSEL & SECRETARY	8 00			X				36,250	0	3,988
(19) ARKADI GERNEY SVP, CAMPAIGNS & STRATEGIES	4 00			X				17,342	0	2,770
(20) JUDD LEGUM VP, COMMUNICATIONS & EDITOR IN CHIEF	40 00					X		164,731	0	21,776
(21) JOSEPH ROMM SENIOR FELLOW	40 00					X		154,708	0	9,047

<b>1b Sub-Total</b>			
<b>c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A</b>			
<b>d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)</b>	642,856	0	64,105

**2** Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization **3**

	Yes	No
<b>3</b> Did the organization list any <b>former</b> officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>		No
<b>4</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	Yes	
<b>5</b> Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>		No

**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)	(B)	(C)	(D)	
			Total revenue	Related or exempt function revenue	Unrelated business revenue	Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514	
<b>Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts</b>	<b>1a</b>	Federated campaigns . . . . . <b>1a</b>					
	<b>b</b>	Membership dues . . . . . <b>1b</b>					
	<b>c</b>	Fundraising events . . . . . <b>1c</b>	229,950				
	<b>d</b>	Related organizations . . . . . <b>1d</b>					
	<b>e</b>	Government grants (contributions) <b>1e</b>					
	<b>f</b>	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above <b>1f</b>	5,368,633				
	<b>g</b>	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$					
	<b>h</b>	<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f . . . . .	5,598,583				
<b>Program Service Revenue</b>	<b>2a</b>	Business Code					
	<b>b</b>						
	<b>c</b>						
	<b>d</b>						
	<b>e</b>						
	<b>f</b>	All other program service revenue					
	<b>g</b>	<b>Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f . . . . .					
<b>Other Revenue</b>	<b>3</b>	Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts) . . . . .	73			73	
	<b>4</b>	Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds . . . . .					
	<b>5</b>	Royalties . . . . .					
	<b>6a</b>	Gross rents	(i) Real				
			(ii) Personal				
			<b>b</b> Less rental expenses				
			<b>c</b> Rental income or (loss)				
	<b>d</b>	Net rental income or (loss) . . . . .					
	<b>7a</b>	Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities				
			(ii) Other				
			<b>b</b> Less cost or other basis and sales expenses				
			<b>c</b> Gain or (loss)				
	<b>d</b>	Net gain or (loss) . . . . .					
	<b>8a</b>	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 229,950 of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18 . . . . .	<b>a</b>	16,050			
			<b>b</b> Less direct expenses . . . . . <b>b</b>	40,945			
<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from fundraising events . . . . .			-24,895			-24,895	
<b>9a</b>	Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19 . . . . .	<b>a</b>					
		<b>b</b> Less direct expenses . . . . . <b>b</b>					
		<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from gaming activities . . . . .					
<b>10a</b>	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances . . . . .	<b>a</b>					
		<b>b</b> Less cost of goods sold . . . . . <b>b</b>					
		<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory . . . . .					
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code					
<b>11a</b>	ADVERTISING REVENUE	541800	881,160	881,160			
<b>b</b>	OTHER INCOME	900099	459		459		
<b>c</b>							
<b>d</b>	All other revenue . . . . .						
<b>e</b>	<b>Total.</b> Add lines 11a-11d . . . . .		881,619				
<b>12</b>	<b>Total revenue.</b> See Instructions . . . . .		6,455,380	0	881,160	-24,363	

**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

<b>Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.</b>		<b>(A)</b> Total expenses	<b>(B)</b> Program service expenses	<b>(C)</b> Management and general expenses	<b>(D)</b> Fundraising expenses
<b>1</b>	Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21 . . . . .	29,888	29,888		
<b>2</b>	Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22 . . . . .				
<b>3</b>	Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16 . . . . .				
<b>4</b>	Benefits paid to or for members . . . . .				
<b>5</b>	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees . . . . .	356,700	250,123	102,997	3,580
<b>6</b>	Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) . . . . .				
<b>7</b>	Other salaries and wages . . . . .	4,270,128	3,770,511	494,871	4,746
<b>8</b>	Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions) . . . . .	182,203	161,927	20,199	77
<b>9</b>	Other employee benefits . . . . .	324,613	283,886	40,159	568
<b>10</b>	Payroll taxes . . . . .	332,250	288,984	42,678	588
<b>11</b>	Fees for services (non-employees)				
<b>a</b>	Management . . . . .				
<b>b</b>	Legal . . . . .	30,009	13,385	15,610	1,014
<b>c</b>	Accounting . . . . .	21,735	18,913	2,784	38
<b>d</b>	Lobbying . . . . .				
<b>e</b>	Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17 . . . . .	11,000			11,000
<b>f</b>	Investment management fees . . . . .				
<b>g</b>	Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O) . . . . .	362,564	358,458	3,941	165
<b>12</b>	Advertising and promotion . . . . .	3,323	3,323		
<b>13</b>	Office expenses . . . . .	273,296	247,608	25,259	429
<b>14</b>	Information technology . . . . .	161,312	140,429	20,622	261
<b>15</b>	Royalties . . . . .				
<b>16</b>	Occupancy . . . . .	690,800	601,106	88,499	1,195
<b>17</b>	Travel . . . . .	213,346	212,356	52	938
<b>18</b>	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials . . . . .				
<b>19</b>	Conferences, conventions, and meetings . . . . .	48,428	47,249	1,167	12
<b>20</b>	Interest . . . . .				
<b>21</b>	Payments to affiliates . . . . .				
<b>22</b>	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization . . . . .	149,308	129,922	19,128	258
<b>23</b>	Insurance . . . . .	26,829	23,346	3,437	46
<b>24</b>	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.)				
<b>a</b>	UBI TAX	143	125	18	0
<b>b</b>	PUBLIC OPINION ANALYSIS	56,576	56,576	0	0
<b>c</b>	SUBSCRIPTIONS	51,322	50,994	326	2
<b>d</b>	EMAIL LIST PURCHASE	28,675	28,675	0	0
<b>e</b>	All other expenses	54,477	37,392	6,043	11,042
<b>25</b>	<b>Total functional expenses.</b> Add lines 1 through 24e	7,678,925	6,755,176	887,790	35,959
<b>26</b>	<b>Joint costs.</b> Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

**Part X Balance Sheet**

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

		(A)		(B)
		Beginning of year		End of year
<b>Assets</b>	<b>1</b> Cash—non-interest-bearing . . . . .	7,079,787	<b>1</b>	4,418,441
	<b>2</b> Savings and temporary cash investments . . . . .	358,349	<b>2</b>	359,695
	<b>3</b> Pledges and grants receivable, net . . . . .	621,833	<b>3</b>	240,830
	<b>4</b> Accounts receivable, net . . . . .	117,803	<b>4</b>	200,772
	<b>5</b> Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees Complete Part II of Schedule L . . . . .		<b>5</b>	
	<b>6</b> Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions) Complete Part II of Schedule L . . . . .		<b>6</b>	
	<b>7</b> Notes and loans receivable, net . . . . .		<b>7</b>	
	<b>8</b> Inventories for sale or use . . . . .		<b>8</b>	
	<b>9</b> Prepaid expenses and deferred charges . . . . .	8,749	<b>9</b>	5,805
	<b>10a</b> Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D . . . . .	<b>10a</b> 270,253		
	<b>b</b> Less accumulated depreciation . . . . .	<b>10b</b> 259,240	22,186	<b>10c</b> 11,013
	<b>11</b> Investments—publicly traded securities . . . . .		<b>11</b>	
	<b>12</b> Investments—other securities See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .		<b>12</b>	
	<b>13</b> Investments—program-related See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .		<b>13</b>	
	<b>14</b> Intangible assets . . . . .	15,967	<b>14</b>	15,967
	<b>15</b> Other assets See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .		<b>15</b>	
<b>16 Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34) . . . . .	8,224,674	<b>16</b>	5,252,523	
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>17</b> Accounts payable and accrued expenses . . . . .	221,781	<b>17</b>	119,026
	<b>18</b> Grants payable . . . . .		<b>18</b>	
	<b>19</b> Deferred revenue . . . . .		<b>19</b>	
	<b>20</b> Tax-exempt bond liabilities . . . . .		<b>20</b>	
	<b>21</b> Escrow or custodial account liability Complete Part IV of Schedule D . . . . .		<b>21</b>	
	<b>22</b> Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons Complete Part II of Schedule L . . . . .		<b>22</b>	
	<b>23</b> Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties . . . . .		<b>23</b>	
	<b>24</b> Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties . . . . .		<b>24</b>	
	<b>25</b> Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24) Complete Part X of Schedule D . . . . .	2,401,593	<b>25</b>	1,230,900
	<b>26 Total liabilities.</b> Add lines 17 through 25 . . . . .	2,623,374	<b>26</b>	1,349,926
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.</b>			
	<b>27</b> Unrestricted net assets . . . . .	3,128,126	<b>27</b>	2,502,533
	<b>28</b> Temporarily restricted net assets . . . . .	2,473,174	<b>28</b>	1,400,064
	<b>29</b> Permanently restricted net assets . . . . .		<b>29</b>	
	<b>Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.</b>			
	<b>30</b> Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds . . . . .		<b>30</b>	
	<b>31</b> Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund . . . . .		<b>31</b>	
	<b>32</b> Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds . . . . .		<b>32</b>	
<b>33</b> Total net assets or fund balances . . . . .	5,601,300	<b>33</b>	3,902,597	
<b>34</b> Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances . . . . .	8,224,674	<b>34</b>	5,252,523	

**Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets**

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

<b>1</b>	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	<b>1</b>	6,455,380
<b>2</b>	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	<b>2</b>	7,678,925
<b>3</b>	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	<b>3</b>	-1,223,545
<b>4</b>	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	<b>4</b>	5,601,300
<b>5</b>	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	<b>5</b>	
<b>6</b>	Donated services and use of facilities	<b>6</b>	
<b>7</b>	Investment expenses	<b>7</b>	
<b>8</b>	Prior period adjustments	<b>8</b>	
<b>9</b>	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	<b>9</b>	-475,158
<b>10</b>	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	<b>10</b>	3,902,597

**Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting**

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

		Yes	No
<b>1</b>	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O		
<b>2a</b>	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		No
<b>2b</b>	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	Yes	
<b>2c</b>	If "Yes," to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O	Yes	
<b>3a</b>	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		No
<b>3b</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		

SCHEDULE C (Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

OMB No 1545-0047

2014

Open to Public Inspection

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Name of the organization: CENTER FOR AMERICAN PROGRESS ACTION FUND
Employer identification number: 30-0192708

Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.

1 Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV
2 Political expenditures \$ 704,409
3 Volunteer hours

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

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

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

1 Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities \$ 704,409
2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities \$
3 Total exempt function expenditures Add lines 1 and 2 Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b \$ 704,409
4 Did the filing organization file Form 1120-POL for this year? Yes No
5 Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments

Table with 5 columns: (a) Name, (b) Address, (c) EIN, (d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds, (e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization.

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

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

<b>Limits on Lobbying Expenditures</b> (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)	(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals												
<b>1a</b> Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)														
<b>b</b> Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)														
<b>c</b> Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)														
<b>d</b> Other exempt purpose expenditures														
<b>e</b> Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)														
<b>f</b> Lobbying nontaxable amount Enter the amount from the following table in both columns														
<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 35%;">If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</th> <th style="width: 65%;">The lobbying nontaxable amount is:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Not over \$500,000</td> <td>20% of the amount on line 1e</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000</td> <td>\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000</td> <td>\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$1,000,000</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:	Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e	Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000	Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000	Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000	Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000		
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Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000													
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000													
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000													
<b>g</b> Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)														
<b>h</b> Subtract line 1g from line 1a If zero or less, enter -0-														
<b>i</b> Subtract line 1f from line 1c If zero or less, enter -0-														
<b>j</b> If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No												

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

<b>Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period</b>					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) Total
<b>2a</b> Lobbying nontaxable amount					
<b>b</b> Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					
<b>c</b> Total lobbying expenditures					
<b>d</b> Grassroots nontaxable amount					
<b>e</b> Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					
<b>f</b> Grassroots lobbying expenditures					

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Part IV Supplemental Information**

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

Return Reference	Explanation
PART I-A, LINE 1	THE ACTION FUND DOES NOT ENDORSE CANDIDATES FOR PUBLIC OFFICE, NOR DOES IT EXPLICITLY ADVOCATE FOR THE ELECTION OR DEFEAT OF PARTICULAR CANDIDATES HOWEVER, AT VARIOUS TIMES DURING THE TAX YEAR, THE ACTION FUND MAKES COMMUNICATIONS TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENDING OR CRITICIZING PARTICULAR PUBLIC POLICY POSITIONS TAKEN BY VARIOUS CANDIDATES THESE POLICY ASSESSMENTS TAKE THE FORM OF POSITION PAPERS, BLOG POSTS, PRESS RELEASES, AND OTHER SIMILAR PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS





SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

Supplemental Financial Statements

OMB No 1545-0047

2014

Open to Public Inspection

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.

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization CENTER FOR AMERICAN PROGRESS ACTION FUND

Employer identification number 30-0192708

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.

Table with 2 columns: (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include: 1 Total number at end of year, 2 Aggregate value of contributions to (during year), 3 Aggregate value of grants from (during year), 4 Aggregate value at end of year, 5 Did the organization inform all donors...?, 6 Did the organization inform all grantees...?

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

Table with 2 columns: Description, Held at the End of the Year. Rows include: 1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements, 2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution..., 3 Number of conservation easements modified..., 4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located..., 5 Does the organization have a written policy..., 6 Staff and volunteer hours..., 7 Amount of expenses..., 8 Does each conservation easement..., 9 In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports...

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.

Table with 2 columns: Description, Amount. Rows include: 1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report..., 1b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report..., 2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain...

**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
<b>1c</b> Beginning balance	
<b>1d</b> Additions during the year	
<b>1e</b> Distributions during the year	
<b>1f</b> Ending balance	

**2a** Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability?  Yes  No

**b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided in Part XIII

**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
<b>1a</b> Beginning of year balance					
<b>b</b> Contributions					
<b>c</b> Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
<b>d</b> Grants or scholarships					
<b>e</b> Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
<b>f</b> Administrative expenses					
<b>g</b> End of year balance					

**2** Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as

- a** Board designated or quasi-endowment
  - b** Permanent endowment
  - c** Temporarily restricted endowment
- The percentages 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

	Yes	No
<b>(i)</b> unrelated organizations	<b>3a(i)</b>	
<b>(ii)</b> related organizations	<b>3a(ii)</b>	
<b>b</b> If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?	<b>3b</b>	

**4** Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds

**Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.** Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' 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
<b>1a</b> Land				
<b>b</b> Buildings				
<b>c</b> Leasehold improvements				
<b>d</b> Equipment		8,785	8,785	0
<b>e</b> Other		261,468	250,455	11,013
<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a through 1e (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)				11,013



**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.

<b>1</b>	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements . . . . .		<b>1</b>	6,496,325
<b>2</b>	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12			
<b>a</b>	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments . . . . .	<b>2a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Donated services and use of facilities . . . . .	<b>2b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Recoveries of prior year grants . . . . .	<b>2c</b>		
<b>d</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII ) . . . . .	<b>2d</b>	40,945	
<b>e</b>	Add lines <b>2a</b> through <b>2d</b> . . . . .		<b>2e</b>	40,945
<b>3</b>	Subtract line <b>2e</b> from line <b>1</b> . . . . .		<b>3</b>	6,455,380
<b>4</b>	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line <b>1</b>			
<b>a</b>	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b . . . . .	<b>4a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII ) . . . . .	<b>4b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Add lines <b>4a</b> and <b>4b</b> . . . . .		<b>4c</b>	0
<b>5</b>	Total revenue Add lines <b>3</b> and <b>4c</b> . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12 ) . . . . .		<b>5</b>	6,455,380

**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.

<b>1</b>	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements . . . . .		<b>1</b>	7,719,870
<b>2</b>	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25			
<b>a</b>	Donated services and use of facilities . . . . .	<b>2a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Prior year adjustments . . . . .	<b>2b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Other losses . . . . .	<b>2c</b>		
<b>d</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII ) . . . . .	<b>2d</b>	40,945	
<b>e</b>	Add lines <b>2a</b> through <b>2d</b> . . . . .		<b>2e</b>	40,945
<b>3</b>	Subtract line <b>2e</b> from line <b>1</b> . . . . .		<b>3</b>	7,678,925
<b>4</b>	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line <b>1</b> :			
<b>a</b>	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b . . . . .	<b>4a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII ) . . . . .	<b>4b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Add lines <b>4a</b> and <b>4b</b> . . . . .		<b>4c</b>	0
<b>5</b>	Total expenses Add lines <b>3</b> and <b>4c</b> . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18 ) . . . . .		<b>5</b>	7,678,925

**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

Return Reference	Explanation
PART X, LINE 2	IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING STANDARDS BOARD (FASB) ACCOUNTING STANDARDS CODIFICATION (ASC) TOPIC 740, INCOME TAXES, THE ACTION FUND HAS EVALUATED ITS INCOME TAX POSITIONS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013, AND DETERMINED THAT THERE WERE NO MATERIAL UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS AND, ACCORDINGLY, THE ACTION FUND HAS NOT RECOGNIZED ANY LIABILITY FOR UNRECOGNIZED INCOME TAX
PART XI, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS	SPECIAL EVENT EXPENSES 40,945
PART XII, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS	SPECIAL EVENT EXPENSES 40,945



SCHEDULE G (Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Supplemental Information Regarding Fundraising or Gaming Activities

OMB No 1545-0047

2014

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Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, lines 17, 18, or 19, or if the organization entered more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

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

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization CENTER FOR AMERICAN PROGRESS ACTION FUND

Employer identification number 30-0192708

Part I Fundraising Activities. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 17. Form 990-EZ filers are not required to complete this part.

1 Indicate whether the organization raised funds through any of the following activities. Check all that apply.

- a Mail solicitations
b Internet and email solicitations
c Phone solicitations
d In-person solicitations
e Solicitation of non-government grants
f Solicitation of government grants
g Special fundraising events

2a Did the organization have a written or oral agreement with any individual... Yes No

b If "Yes," list the ten highest paid individuals or entities (fundraisers) pursuant to agreements...

Table with 6 columns: (i) Name and address of individual or entity (fundraiser), (ii) Activity, (iii) Did fundraiser have custody or control of contributions?, (iv) Gross receipts from activity, (v) Amount paid to (or retained by) fundraiser listed in col (i), (vi) Amount paid to (or retained by) organization.

3 List all states in which the organization is registered or licensed to solicit contributions or has been notified it is exempt from registration or licensing

AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DC, FL, GA, HI, IL, KS, KY, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, TN, UT, VA, WA, WV, WI

**Part II Fundraising Events.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 18, or reported more than \$15,000 of fundraising event contributions and gross income on Form 990-EZ, lines 1 and 6b. List events with gross receipts greater than \$5,000.

		(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other events	(d) Total events
		<b>ANNUAL DINNER</b> (event type)	(event type)	(total number)	(add col (a) through col (c))
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>1</b> Gross receipts . . . . .	246,000			246,000
	<b>2</b> Less Contributions . . . . .	229,950			229,950
	<b>3</b> Gross income (line 1 minus line 2) . . . . .	16,050			16,050
<b>Direct Expenses</b>	<b>4</b> Cash prizes . . . . .				
	<b>5</b> Noncash prizes . . . . .				
	<b>6</b> Rent/facility costs . . . . .				
	<b>7</b> Food and beverages . . . . .	20,881			20,881
	<b>8</b> Entertainment . . . . .				
	<b>9</b> Other direct expenses . . . . .	20,064			20,064
	<b>10</b> Direct expense summary Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d) . . . . . ▶				(40,945)
<b>11</b> Net income summary Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d) . . . . . ▶				-24,895	

**Part III Gaming.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 19, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

		(a) Bingo	(b) Pull tabs/Instant bingo/progressive bingo	(c) Other gaming	(d) Total gaming (add col (a) through col (c))
		<b>1</b> Gross revenue . . . . .			
<b>Direct Expenses</b>	<b>2</b> Cash prizes . . . . .				
	<b>3</b> Non-cash prizes . . . . .				
	<b>4</b> Rent/facility costs . . . . .				
	<b>5</b> Other direct expenses . . . . .				
	<b>6</b> Volunteer labor . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>7</b> Direct expense summary Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d) . . . . . ▶					
<b>8</b> Net gaming income summary Subtract line 7 from line 1, column (d) . . . . . ▶					

**9** Enter the state(s) in which the organization conducts gaming activities \_\_\_\_\_

**a** Is the organization licensed to conduct gaming activities in each of these states? . . . . .  Yes  No

**b** If "No," explain \_\_\_\_\_

.....

**10a** Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended or terminated during the tax year? . . . . .  Yes  No

**b** If "Yes," explain \_\_\_\_\_

.....

**11** Does the organization conduct gaming activities with nonmembers?  Yes  No

**12** Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming?  Yes  No

**13** Indicate the percentage of gaming activities conducted in

<b>a</b> The organization's facility	<b>13a</b>	%
<b>b</b> An outside facility	<b>13b</b>	%

**14** Enter the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records

Name ▶ .....

Address ▶ .....

**15a** Does the organization have a contract with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue?  Yes  No

**b** If "Yes," enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**c** If "Yes," enter name and address of the third party

Name ▶ .....

Address ▶ .....

**16** Gaming manager information

Name ▶ .....

Gaming manager compensation ▶ \$ .....

Description of services provided ▶ .....

Director/officer       Employee       Independent contractor

**17** Mandatory distributions

**a** Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license?  Yes  No

**b** Enter the amount of distributions required under state law distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Part IV Supplemental Information.** Provide the explanations required by Part I, line 2b, columns (iii) and (v), and Part III, lines 9, 9b, 10b, 15b, 15c, 16, and 17b, as applicable. Also provide any additional information (see instructions).

Return Reference	Explanation
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Schedule I (Form 990)

Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations, Governments and Individuals in the United States

OMB No 1545-0047

2014

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Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.

Attach to Form 990.

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

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization CENTER FOR AMERICAN PROGRESS ACTION FUND

Employer identification number 30-0192708

Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance

- 1 Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance?
2 Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States

Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

Table with 8 columns: (a) Name and address of organization or government, (b) EIN, (c) IRC section if applicable, (d) Amount of cash grant, (e) Amount of non-cash assistance, (f) Method of valuation, (g) Description of non-cash assistance, (h) Purpose of grant or assistance. Row 1: VIRGINIA INTERFAITH, 54-1362857, 501(C)(3), 25,000, 0, SUPPORT CHARITABLE EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES.

2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table
3 Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table

**Part III Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 22.

Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

<b>(a)</b> Type of grant or assistance	<b>(b)</b> Number of recipients	<b>(c)</b> Amount of cash grant	<b>(d)</b> Amount of non-cash assistance	<b>(e)</b> Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	<b>(f)</b> Description of non-cash assistance

**Part IV Supplemental Information.** Provide the information required in Part I, line 2, Part III, column (b), and any other additional information.

<b>Return Reference</b>	<b>Explanation</b>
PART I, LINE 2	THE ACTION FUND REQUIRES GRANTEE ORGANIZATIONS TO REPRESENT, WARRANT AND AGREE THAT IT WILL USE GRANT FUNDS SOLELY FOR PURPOSES CONSISTENT WITH THE ACTION FUND'S TAX-EXEMPT STATUS UNDER SECTION 501(C)(4) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, THAT NO PORTION OF GRANT FUNDS WILL BE USED DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY TO EXPRESSLY OR IMPLICITLY SUPPORT OR OPPOSE ANY CANDIDATE SEEKING ELECTION TO PUBLIC OFFICE, OR PROVIDE A BENEFIT TO ANY POLITICAL PARTY OR CANDIDATE, THAT IT WILL ALLOW THE ACTION FUND'S STAFF OR REPRESENTATIVES TO CONDUCT EVALUATIONS AND AUDITS OF THE USE OF GRANT FUNDS, WHICH MAY INVOLVE VISITS TO OBSERVE, REVIEW AND DISCUSS ITS OPERATIONS, FINANCIAL RECORDS, AND OTHER MATERIALS CONNECTED WITH THE GRANTEE, AND THAT IT WILL SEND THE ACTION FUND FINAL FINANCIAL AND NARRATIVE REPORTS BY A DATE SPECIFIED IN THE ORIGINAL AWARD LETTER THE ACTION FUND REQUIRES DONEE ORGANIZATIONS TO PROVIDE NARRATIVE AND FINANCIAL REPORTS THAT ARE SIGNED BY AN OFFICER OF THE ORGANIZATION, DESCRIBE HOW THE FUNDS WERE SPENT AND WHAT WAS ACCOMPLISHED, AND TO PROVIDE A REASONABLY DETAILED ACCOUNT OF THE ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED BY THE GRANTEE IN PERFORMANCE OF THE AGREED UPON WORK

**Schedule J**  
(Form 990)

**Compensation Information**

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For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

▶ **Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 23.**

▶ **Attach to Form 990.**

▶ **Information about Schedule J (Form 990) and its instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990).**

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**Part I Questions Regarding Compensation**

- 1a** Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.
- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel            | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax idemnification and gross-up payments | <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account           | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef) |

**b** If any of the boxes in line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain

**2** Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?

**3** Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee              | <input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant | <input type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations     | <input type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee |

**4** During the year, did any person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a with respect to the filing organization or a related organization

- a** Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?
- b** Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?
- c** Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?
- If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III

**Only 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.**

**5** For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of

- a** The organization?
- b** Any related organization?
- If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III

**6** For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of

- a** The organization?
- b** Any related organization?
- If "Yes," to line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III

**7** For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III

**8** Were any amounts reported in Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III

**9** If "Yes" to line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?

	Yes	No
<b>1b</b>		
<b>2</b>		
<b>4a</b>		No
<b>4b</b>		No
<b>4c</b>		No
<b>5a</b>		No
<b>5b</b>		No
<b>6a</b>		No
<b>6b</b>		No
<b>7</b>		No
<b>8</b>		No
<b>9</b>		

**Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees.** Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported in Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii) Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII

**Note.** The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual

(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column(B) reported as deferred in prior Form 990
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
<b>1</b> TED STRICKLAND, PRESIDENT (AS OF 04/2014)	(i)	142,580	0	0	12,832	791	156,203	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>2</b> JUDD LEGUM, VP, COMMUNICATIONS & EDITOR IN CHIEF	(i)	164,731	0	0	13,178	8,598	186,507	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>3</b> JOSEPH ROMM, SENIOR FELLOW	(i)	154,708	0	0	7,735	1,312	163,755	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

**Part III Supplemental Information**

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II

Also complete this part for any additional information

Return Reference	Explanation
PART I	THE ACTION FUND DOES NOT DIRECTLY HIRE OR COMPENSATE EMPLOYEES ALL EMPLOYEES ARE EMPLOYED BY THE CENTER FOR AMERICAN PROGRESS (CAP), AN UNRELATED ORGANIZATION EXEMPT UNDER SECTION 501(C)(3) COMPENSATION OF THE INDIVIDUALS LISTED ON THE ACTION FUND'S RETURN WAS DETERMINED UNDER CAP'S POLICIES AND PROCEDURES WHICH SATISFY THE REBUTTABLE PRESUMPTION OF REASONABLENESS THE ACTION FUND OPERATES UNDER A COST SHARING AGREEMENT WITH CAP, APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF EACH ORGANIZATION, UNDER WHICH CAP EMPLOYS BOTH ORGANIZATION'S STAFF MEMBERS AND PAYS FOR GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES THE ACTION FUND REIMBURSES CAP FOR ITS SHARE OF THESE EXPENSES

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

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**Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ**

**Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.**

**▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.**

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

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FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11	THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT WORKED DIRECTLY WITH AN INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTING FIRM TO PREPARE THE FEDERAL FORM 990 ON BEHALF OF THE ACTION FUND THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT MANAGED THE PROCESS, WITH CLOSE COORDINATION WITH THE LEGAL DEPARTMENT THE ACCOUNTING FIRM PROVIDED A DRAFT FEDERAL FORM 990, WHICH WAS THEN REVIEWED AND COMMENTED ON BY THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT, THE LEGAL DEPARTMENT AND THE CORPORATE OFFICERS THE UPDATED DRAFT FEDERAL FORM 990 AND SUMMARY MATERIALS WERE THEN PROVIDED TO THE AUDIT COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION ON BEHALF OF THE FULL BOARD OF DIRECTORS THE AUDIT COMMITTEE WAS OFFERED THE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS THE MATERIALS WITH THE ACTION FUND'S STAFF AND THE ACCOUNTING FIRM THAT PREPARED THE FEDERAL FORM 990 THE AUDIT COMMITTEE APPROVED THE DRAFT FEDERAL FORM 990, AND THE FULL BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECEIVED THE APPROVED VERSION OF THE FORM BEFORE FILING WITH THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C	THE ACTION FUND IS COMMITTED TO PREVENTING OUTSIDE FINANCIAL INTERESTS OF ITS BOARD MEMBERS, OFFICERS OR EMPLOYEES FROM INFLUENCING ITS ACTIVITIES TO THAT END, IT HAS ADOPTED AND ENFORCES POLICIES TO PREVENT CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND THE APPEARANCE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST, INCLUDING SEPARATE POLICIES GOVERNING (1) OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AND KEY EMPLOYEES, AND (2) ALL EMPLOYEES COMPLIANCE WITH POLICIES GOVERNING OFFICERS, DIRECTORS AND KEY EMPLOYEES OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS RECEIVE A COPY OF THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY ANNUALLY, AND ARE ASKED TO REVIEW THE POLICY AND SIGN AN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AFFIRMING RECEIPT, REVIEW AND AGREEMENT TO COMPLY WITH THE POLICY, AS WELL AS UNDERSTANDING THAT THE ACTION FUND IS A SOCIAL WELFARE ORGANIZATION IN ADDITION, OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS ARE ASKED TO COMPLETE AN ANNUAL INDEPENDENCE QUESTIONNAIRE, WHICH SEEKS DISCLOSURE OF CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS, ARRANGEMENTS AND TRANSACTIONS IN ORDER TO DETERMINE INDEPENDENCE AND THE EXISTENCE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST THESE POLICIES DESCRIBE POTENTIAL CONFLICTS, PROVIDE MEANS FOR DISCLOSURE, AND PROVIDES PROCESSES FOR INVESTIGATING AND RESOLVING POTENTIAL CONFLICTS

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15	THE ACTION FUND OPERATES UNDER A COST SHARING AGREEMENT WITH THE CENTER FOR AMERICAN PROGRESS (CAP), APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF EACH ORGANIZATION, UNDER WHICH CAP EMPLOYS BOTH ORGANIZATIONS' STAFF MEMBERS AND PAYS FOR GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES. THE ACTION FUND REIMBURSES CAP FOR ITS SHARE OF THESE EXPENSES. COMPENSATION FOR STAFF AND FELLOWS IS SET BY THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE OF CAP'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND THE ACTION FUND RELIES ON THE PRACTICES PUT IN PLACE BY CAP'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO ENSURE EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION IS NOT EXCESSIVE.



Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19	<p>THE ACTION FUND MAKES ITS GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, CONFLICTS OF INTEREST POLICY, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC. THE ACTION FUND'S GOVERNING DOCUMENTS ARE INCLUDED IN ITS FORM 1024, APPLICATION FOR RECOGNITION OF EXEMPTION UNDER SECTION 501(C)(4). CHANGES TO ITS GOVERNING DOCUMENTS ARE FILED WITH ITS FEDERAL FORM 990. BOTH FORMS, AS WELL AS ITS AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, ARE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON REQUESTS RECEIVED AT ITS WASHINGTON, D.C. OFFICE. THE ACTION FUND'S FEDERAL FORM 990 AND AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE ALSO MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC BY WAY OF THE ONLINE INFORMATION SERVICE, GUIDESTAR.ORG. THE ACTION FUND'S FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AUDITED BY AN INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT ON AN ANNUAL BASIS. THE ACTION FUND'S AUDIT COMMITTEE, ACTING WITH DELEGATED AUTHORITY ON BEHALF OF THE FULL BOARD OF DIRECTORS, OVERSEES ALL ASPECTS OF THE ORGANIZATION'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT. EACH YEAR, THE AUDIT COMMITTEE APPROVES THE ACTION FUND'S EXTERNAL AUDIT FIRM. AT ANY STAGE OF THE AUDIT, THE AUDIT COMMITTEE HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH THE AUDITOR, WITH OR WITHOUT THE ACTION FUND'S MANAGEMENT OR STAFF PRESENT. AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE AUDIT, THE AUDIT COMMITTEE REVIEWS THE AUDIT REPORT, WHICH INCLUDES COMMUNICATIONS TO THE AUDIT COMMITTEE REQUIRED UNDER STATEMENT OF AUDITING STANDARDS #114. AFTER ITS REVIEW AND DISCUSSION WITH THE AUDITOR, THE AUDIT COMMITTEE VOTES TO ACCEPT OR REJECT THE AUDIT.</p>

**Return Reference**

**Explanation**

FORM 990, PART XI, LINE 9

LOSS ON RETURN OF GRANT FUNDS -475,158

# Additional Data

**Software ID:**  
**Software Version:**  
**EIN:** 30-0192708  
**Name:** CENTER FOR AMERICAN PROGRESS ACTION FUND

## Form 990, Part III - Line 4c: Program Service Accomplishments (See the Instructions)

(Code ) (Expenses \$ 262,350 including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )
ENERGY POLICY
(Code ) (Expenses \$ 206,833 including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )
DOMESTIC POLICY

**Form 990, Part III - Line 4c: Program Service Accomplishments (See the Instructions)**

(Code )	(Expenses \$	94,558	including grants of \$	(Revenue \$ )
ART AND EDITORIAL				
(Code )	(Expenses \$	64,458	including grants of \$	(Revenue \$ )
EXECUTIVE OFFICE				

**Form 990, Part III - Line 4c: Program Service Accomplishments (See the Instructions)**

(Code	) (Expenses \$	17,222	including grants of \$	) (Revenue \$	)
GENERATION PROGRESS					
(Code	) (Expenses \$	93,508	including grants of \$	) (Revenue \$	)
NATIONAL SECURITY AND INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS					