

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code
(except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

▶ The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

2012

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InspectionDepartment of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

A For the 2012 calendar year, or tax year beginning 7/01, 2012, and ending 6/30, 2013

B Check if applicable:

- ☐ Address change
☐ Name change
☐ Initial return
☐ Terminated
☐ Amended return
☐ Application pending

C
 MapLight
 2223 Shattuck Ave.
 Berkeley, CA 94704

D Employer Identification Number

33-1094233

E Telephone number

510-868-0894

G Gross receipts \$ 2,100,816.

F Name and address of principal officer: Daniel Newman

Same As C Above

H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates?

☐ Yes ☒ NoH(b) Are all affiliates included?
If 'No,' attach a list. (see instructions)☐ Yes ☒ NoI Tax-exempt status ☒ 501(c)(3) ☐ 501(c) () (insert no.) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527

J Website: ▶ www.maplight.org

H(c) Group exemption number ▶

K Form of organization: ☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other ▶

L Year of Formation: 2006

M State of legal domicile: CA

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <u>MapLight reveals money's influence on U.S. politics, and promotes government transparency, through research and education.</u>		
	2	Check this box ☐ 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)..... 3 7		
	4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)..... 4 7		
	5	Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2012 (Part V, line 2a)..... 5 15		
	6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)..... 6 10		
	7a	Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12..... 7a 0.		
7b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34..... 7b 0.			
Revenue	8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h).....	Prior Year	Current Year
	9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g).....	814,585.	2,097,705.
	10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d).....	840.	
	11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e).....	924.	1,040.
	12	Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12).....	2,700.	2,071.
Expenses	13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3).....	819,049.	2,100,816.
	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).....	740,079.	887,381.
	16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e).....	650.	
	b	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 205,273.		
	17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e).....	161,081.	267,086.
	18	Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25).....	901,810.	1,154,467.
Net Assets or Fund Balances	19	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12.....	-82,761.	946,349.
	20	Total assets (Part X, line 16).....	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
	21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26).....	495,765.	1,504,175.
	22	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20.....	10,747.	68,138.
			485,018.	1,436,037.

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

Type or print name and title.

Paid
Preparer
Use Only

Print/Type preparer's name

Adele Kaneda

Preparer's signature

Adele Kaneda

Date

3/25/14

Check ☐ if
self-employed

PTIN

P01664922

Firm's name

Crosby & Kaneda, CPAs

Firm's address

1611 Telegraph Ave Ste 318
Oakland, CA 94612-2151

Firm's EIN ▶ N/A

Phone no. (510) 835-2727

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

BAA For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

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Form 990 (2012)

- If you are filing for an **Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part II** and check this box ☐ **Note.** Only complete Part II if you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.
- If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part I** (on page 1).

Part II Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension of Time. Only file the original (no copies needed).

Enter filer's identifying number, see instructions

Type or print	Name of exempt organization or other filer, see instructions.	Employer identification number (EIN) or
	MapLight	33-1094233
File by the extended due date for filing your return. See instructions.	Number, street, and room or suite number. If a P.O. box, see instructions.	Social security number (SSN)
	Crosby & Kaneda, CPAs 1611 Telegraph Ave Ste 318 City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions.	
	Oakland, CA 94612-2151	

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

Application Is For	Return Code	Application Is For	Return Code
Form 990 or Form 990-EZ	01		
Form 990-BL	02	Form 1041-A	08
Form 4720 (individual)	03	Form 4720	09
Form 990-PF	04	Form 5227	10
Form 990-T (section 401(a) or 408(a) trust)	05	Form 6069	11
Form 990-T (trust other than above)	06	Form 8870	12

STOP! Do not complete Part II if you were not already granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.

- The books are in care of ▶ Daniel Newman
Telephone No. ▶ 510-868-0894 FAX No. ▶ 510 868-0912
- If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box ☐
- If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) If this is for the whole group, check this box ▶ ☐ . If it is for part of the group, check this box ▶ ☐ and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension is for.

- I request an additional 3-month extension of time until 5/15, 20 14.
- For calendar year 2013, or other tax year beginning 7/01, 20 12, and ending 6/30, 20 13.
- If the tax year entered in line 5 is for less than 12 months, check reason: ☐ Initial return ☐ Final return
☐ Change in accounting period
- State in detail why you need the extension. Taxpayer respectfully requests additional time to gather information necessary to file a complete and accurate tax return.

8a If this application is for Form 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions	8a \$
b If this application is for Form 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit and any amount paid previously with Form 8868	8b \$
c Balance due. Subtract line 8b from line 8a. Include your payment with this form, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions.	8c \$

Signature and Verification must be completed for Part II only.

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this form, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete, and that I am authorized to prepare this form.

Signature ▶ Adele Kaneda Title ▶ LPA Date ▶ 2/11/14

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Form 8868 (Rev 1-2013)

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

OMB No. 1545-1709

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service► **File a separate application for each return.**

- If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part I** and check this box ☒ **X**
- If you are filing for an **Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part II** (on page 2 of this form).

Do not complete Part II unless you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.

Electronic filing (e-file). You can electronically file Form 8868 if you need a 3-month automatic extension of time to file (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T), or an additional (not automatic) 3-month extension of time. You can electronically file Form 8868 to request an extension of time to file any of the forms listed in Part I or Part II with the exception of Form 8870, Information Return for Transfers Associated With Certain Personal Benefit Contracts, which must be sent to the IRS in paper format (see instructions). For more details on the electronic filing of this form, visit www.irs.gov/efile and click on *e-file for Charities & Nonprofits*.

Part I Automatic 3-Month Extension of Time. Only submit original (no copies needed).A corporation required to file Form 990-T and requesting an automatic 6-month extension – check this box and complete Part I only. . . . ☐**All other corporations (including 1120-C filers), partnerships, REMICs, and trusts must use Form 7004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns.****Enter filer's identifying number, see instructions**

Type or print	Name of exempt organization or other filer, see instructions.		Employer identification number (EIN) or
	MapLight		33-1094233
	Number, street, and room or suite number. If a P.O. box, see instructions.		Social security number (SSN)
	2223 Shattuck Ave.		
File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions.	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions.		
	Berkeley, CA 94704		

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

Application Is For	Return Code	Application Is For	Return Code
Form 990 or Form 990-EZ	01	Form 990-T (corporation)	07
Form 990-BL	02	Form 1041-A	08
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- If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box. ☐
- If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) If this is for the whole group, check this box ☐ . If it is for part of the group, check this box . . . ☐ and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension is for.

- 1 I request an automatic 3-month (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T) extension of time until 2/15, 20 14, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above.

The extension is for the organization's return for:

- ☐ calendar year 20 ____ or
- ☒ tax year beginning 7/01, 20 12, and ending 6/30, 20 13.

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

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

Caution. If you are going to make an electronic fund withdrawal with this Form 8868, see Form 8453-EO and Form 8879-EO for payment instructions.

Part III Statement of Program Service AccomplishmentsCheck if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part III. ☒ **X****1** Briefly describe the organization's mission:MapLight reveals money's influence on politics.**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 and section 4947(a)(1) trusts 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 \$ 796,868. including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)See Schedule O**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 **▶** 796,868.

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	1 X	
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors (see instructions)?	2 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	3	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	4 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	5	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	6	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	7	X
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part III	8	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	9	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	10	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	11 a 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	11 b	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	11 c	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	11 d	X
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part X	11 e	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	11 f X	
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Parts XI, and XII	12a 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.	12b	X
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule E	13	X
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	14a	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	14b	X
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or assistance to any organization or entity located outside the United States? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV	15	X
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or assistance to individuals located outside the United States? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV	16	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)	17	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	18	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	19	X
20 a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule H	20	X
b If 'Yes' to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?	20 b	

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule I, Parts I and II.</i>		X
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule I, Parts I and III.</i>		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? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule J.</i>		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, and that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If 'Yes,' answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If 'No,' go to line 25.</i>		X
24b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
24c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		
24d 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? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part I.</i>		X
25b 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>		X
26 Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highest compensated employee, or disqualified person outstanding as of the end of the organization's tax year? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part II.</i>		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? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part III.</i>		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):		
28a A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>		X
28b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>		X
28c 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>		X
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule M.</i>		X
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule M.</i>		X
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule N, Part I.</i>		X
32 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>		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? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part I.</i>		X
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1.</i>		X
35a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?		X
35b 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>		
36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2.</i>		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? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part VI.</i>		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	

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Form 990 (2012)

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

		Yes	No
1 a Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable.	1 a 10		
b Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable.	1 b 0		
c Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	1 c	X	
2 a 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.	2 a 15		
b If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns?	2 b	X	
Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file. (see instructions)			
3 a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	3 a		X
b If 'Yes' has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If 'No,' provide an explanation in Schedule O.	3 b		
4 a 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)?	4 a		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.			
5 a Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5 a		X
b Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5 b		X
c If 'Yes,' to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	5 c		
6 a 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?	6 a		X
b If 'Yes,' did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	6 b		
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?	7 a		X
b If 'Yes,' did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7 b		
c Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7 c		X
d If 'Yes,' indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year.	7 d		
e Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7 e		X
f Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7 f		X
g If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7 g		
h If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	7 h		
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?	9 a		
b Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	9 b		
10 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:			
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12.	10 a		
b Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities.	10 b		
11 Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter:			
a Gross income from members or shareholders.	11 a		
b Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	11 b		
12 a Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12 a		
b If 'Yes,' enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year.	12 b		
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?	13 a		
Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.			
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.	13 b		
c Enter the amount of reserves on hand.	13 c		
14 a Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14 a		X
b If 'Yes,' has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If 'No,' provide an explanation in Schedule O.	14 b		

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 to any question in this Part VI ☒ **X**

Section A. Governing Body and Management

	Yes	No
1 a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year. 1 a 7		
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 Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent. 1 b 7		
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?		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?		X
4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		X
5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?		X
6 Did the organization have members or stockholders?		X
7 a 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?		X
b Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or other persons other than the governing body?		X
8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
a The governing body?	X	
b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	X	
9 Is there any officer, director or 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.		X

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

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

Section C. Disclosure

17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ► CA

18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you make 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 makes its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year. See Schedule O

20 State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization:

► Daniel Newman 2223 Shattuck Avenue Berkeley CA 94704 510-868-0894

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent ContractorsCheck if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VII. ☐**Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees****1 a** Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

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

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

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

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below 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) Doug Edwards Co-Chair	1 0	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(2) Melanie Sloan Co-Chair	1 0	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(3) Steven Addis Board Member	1 0	X						0.	0.	0.
(4) Shel Kaphan Board Member	1 0	X						0.	0.	0.
(5) Lawrence Lessig Board Member	1 0	X						0.	0.	0.
(6) Andrea Levere Board Member	1 0	X						0.	0.	0.
(7) Jan Masaoka Board Member	1 0	X						0.	0.	0.
(8) Daniel Newman President & CEO	40 0			X				128,901.	0.	5,692.
(9) _____	_____ _____									
(10) _____	_____ _____									
(11) _____	_____ _____									
(12) _____	_____ _____									
(13) _____	_____ _____									
(14) _____	_____ _____									

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

(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			
(15) -----									
(16) -----									
(17) -----									
(18) -----									
(19) -----									
(20) -----									
(21) -----									
(22) -----									
(23) -----									
(24) -----									
(25) -----									
1 b Sub-total							128,901.	0.	5,692.
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A							0.	0.	0.
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)							128,901.	0.	5,692.

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 **1**

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 in compensation from the organization **0**

Part VIII Statement of RevenueCheck if Schedule O contains a response to any question 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, 513, or 514
CONTRIBUTIONS, GIFTS, GRANTS AND OTHER SIMILAR AMOUNTS	1 a Federated campaigns..... 1 a				
	b Membership dues..... 1 b				
	c Fundraising events..... 1 c				
	d Related organizations..... 1 d				
	e Government grants (contributions)..... 1 e				
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above... 1 f 2,097,705.				
	g Noncash contributions included in lns 1a-1f: \$				
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f..... 2,097,705.				
PROGRAM SERVICE REVENUE	2 a Business Code				
	b				
	c				
	d				
	e				
	f All other program service revenue...				
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f.....				
	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest and other similar amounts)..... 1,040.				1,040.
4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds.....					
5 Royalties.....					
OTHER REVENUE	6 a Gross rents..... (i) Real (ii) Personal				
	b Less: rental expenses				
	c Rental income or (loss)...				
	d Net rental income or (loss).....				
	7 a Gross amount from sales of (i) Securities (ii) Other assets other than inventory.				
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses.....				
	c Gain or (loss).....				
	d Net gain or (loss).....				
	8 a 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.....				
	9 a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19..... a				
b Less: direct expenses..... b					
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities.....					
10 a 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.....					
11 a Miscellaneous Revenue Business Code					
b 2,071.				2,071.	
c					
d All other revenue.....					
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d..... 2,071.					
12 Total revenue. See instructions..... 2,100,816.		0.	0.	3,111.	

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 to any question 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 United States. See Part IV, line 21.				
2 Grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States. See Part IV, line 22.				
3 Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the United States. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16.				
4 Benefits paid to or for members.				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees.	170,716.	110,966.	17,071.	42,679.
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B).	0.	0.	0.	0.
7 Other salaries and wages.	580,082.	404,918.	70,974.	104,190.
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions).				
9 Other employee benefits.	82,379.	58,445.	7,351.	16,583.
10 Payroll taxes.	54,204.	37,401.	5,962.	10,841.
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management.				
b Legal.	3,883.		3,883.	
c Accounting.	7,458.		7,458.	
d Lobbying.				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17.				
f Investment management fees.				
g Other. (If line 11g amt exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amt, list line 11g expenses on Sch O.)	99,681.	92,974.	2,750.	3,957.
12 Advertising and promotion.	5,383.		5,383.	
13 Office expenses.	42,887.	27,192.	9,016.	6,679.
14 Information technology.	10,407.	8,900.	873.	634.
15 Royalties.				
16 Occupancy.	45,838.	32,187.	5,834.	7,817.
17 Travel.	19,752.	9,349.	5,475.	4,928.
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials.				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings.	16,100.	4,929.	6,561.	4,610.
20 Interest.				
21 Payments to affiliates.				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization.	4,610.	3,227.	599.	784.
23 Insurance.	8,147.	5,703.	1,059.	1,385.
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 Publications	1,864.	677.	1,001.	186.
b Dues, licenses, service fees	1,076.		1,076.	
c				
d				
e All other expenses.				
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e.	1,154,467.	796,868.	152,326.	205,273.
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 ☐ if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720).				

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

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
ASSETS	1 Cash — non-interest-bearing	232,044.	1	159,647.
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	234,239.	2	604,805.
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	10,000.	3	700,000.
	4 Accounts receivable, net		4	
	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		9	8,338.
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 34,078.		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 12,093.	10c	21,985.
	11 Investments — publicly traded securities		11	
	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	9,400.	15	9,400.
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	495,765.	16	1,504,175.	
LIABILITIES	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	10,747.	17	68,138.
	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		25	
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	10,747.	26	68,138.
NET ASSETS OR FUND BALANCES	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ☒ and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	485,018.	27	646,897.
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets		28	789,140.
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ☐ 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.	485,018.	33	1,436,037.
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances.	495,765.	34	1,504,175.	

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Part XI Reconciliation of Net AssetsCheck if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XI. ☒ **X**

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12).....	1	2,100,816.
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25).....	2	1,154,467.
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1.....	3	946,349.
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A)).....	4	485,018.
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	4,670.
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O).....	9	0.
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B)).....	10	1,436,037.

Part XII Financial Statements and ReportingCheck if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XII. ☐

	Yes	No
1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: ☐ Cash ☒ Accrual ☐ Other _____		
If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked 'Other,' explain in Schedule O.		
2 a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?.....		X
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:		
☐ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separate basis		
b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?.....	X	
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:		
☒ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separate basis		
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?.....	X	
If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.		
3 a 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.		

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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. ▶ See separate instructions.

OMB No. 1545-0047

2012**Open to Public
Inspection**

Name of the organization

MapLight

Employer identification number

33-1094233

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 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 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
11 g (i)		
11 g (ii)		
11 g (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 column (i) listed in your governing document?		(v) Did you notify the organization in column (i) of your support?		(vi) Is the organization in column (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) 2012

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) 2008	(b) 2009	(c) 2010	(d) 2011	(e) 2012	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any 'unusual grants'.)	634,960.	729,067.	806,160.	814,585.	2,097,705.	5,082,477.
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						0.
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						0.
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3.	634,960.	729,067.	806,160.	814,585.	2,097,705.	5,082,477.
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)						2,383,446.
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						2,699,031.

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2008	(b) 2009	(c) 2010	(d) 2011	(e) 2012	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4.	634,960.	729,067.	806,160.	814,585.	2,097,705.	5,082,477.
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources.	2,097.	486.	1,032.	924.	1,040.	5,579.
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on.						0.
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.) See Part IV.			350.	2,700.	2,071.	5,121.
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10.						5,093,177.
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc (see instructions)					12	4,120.
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. ▶ ☐						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2012 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f)).	14	52.99 %
15 Public support percentage from 2011 Schedule A, Part II, line 14.	15	61.66 %
16a 33-1/3% support test – 2012. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and the line 14 is 33-1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ▶ ☒		
b 33-1/3% support test – 2011. 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. ▶ ☐		
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test – 2012. 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. ▶ ☐		
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test – 2011. 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. ▶ ☐		
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. ▶ ☐		

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 yr beginning in) ▶	(a) 2008	(b) 2009	(c) 2010	(d) 2011	(e) 2012	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions and membership fees received. (Do not include any 'unusual grants'.)						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513.						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf.						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5.						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal yr beginning in) ▶	(a) 2008	(b) 2009	(c) 2010	(d) 2011	(e) 2012	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						
14 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here. ▶ ☐						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2012 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2011 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2012 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2011 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	%
19a 33-1/3% support tests – 2012. 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 – 2011. 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. Complete this part to 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).

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Part II, Line 10 - Other Income

Nature and Source	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
Miscellaneous	\$ 2,071.	\$ 2,700.	\$ 350.		
Total	<u>\$ 2,071.</u>	<u>\$ 2,700.</u>	<u>\$ 350.</u>	<u>\$ 0.</u>	<u>\$ 0.</u>

Schedule B
(Form 990, 990-EZ,
or 990-PF)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COPY
Schedule of Contributors

► **Attach to Form 990, Form 990-EZ, or Form 990-PF**

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2012

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Organization type (check one):

Filers of:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

Section:

☒ 501(c)(3) (enter number) organization

☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation

☐ 527 political organization

Form 990-PF

☐ 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation

☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation

☐ 501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

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

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

General Rule

☐ For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. (Complete Parts I and II.)

Special Rules

☒ For a section 501(c)(3) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33-1/3% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) and received from any one contributor, during the year, a contribution of the greater of (1) \$5,000 or (2) 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.

☐ For a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.

☐ For a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but these contributions did not total to more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Do not complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received nonexclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$5,000 or more during the year ► \$ _____

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

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Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) (2012)

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

(a) Number	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1		\$ 125,000.	Person ☒ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
2		\$ 500,000.	Person ☒ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
3		\$ 100,000.	Person ☒ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
4		\$ 50,000.	Person ☒ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
5		\$ 400,000.	Person ☒ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
6		\$ 270,000.	Person ☒ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)

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

(a) Number	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
7		\$ 75,000.	Person ☒ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
8		\$ 150,000.	Person ☒ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
9		\$ 150,000.	Person ☒ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
		\$	Person ☐ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
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Part II **Noncash Property** (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part II if additional space is needed.

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
	N/A		
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	

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Part III Exclusively religious, charitable, etc, individual contributions to section 501(c)(7), (8) or (10)**organizations that total more than \$1,000 for the year.** Complete columns (a) through (e) and the following line entry.For organizations completing Part III, enter total of *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc,contributions of **\$1,000 or less** for the year. (Enter this information once. See instructions.) ▶ \$ N/A

Use duplicate copies of Part III if additional space is needed.

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

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SCHEDULE C
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities****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.**
► See separate instructions.

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Inspection****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) or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 35a (Proxy Tax), then

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

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Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.**1** Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV.**2** Political expenditures..... ► \$**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..... ► \$ 0.**2** Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955..... ► \$ 0.**3** If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?..... ☐ Yes ☐ No**4 a** Was a correction made?..... ☐ Yes ☐ No**b** If 'Yes,' describe in Part IV.**Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).****1** Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities..... ► \$**2** Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities..... ► \$**3** Total exempt function expenditures. Add lines 1 and 2. Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b..... ► \$**4** Did the filing organization file **Form 1120-POL** for this year?..... ☐ Yes ☐ No**5** Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments. For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization's funds. Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC). If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV.

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

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Schedule C (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2012

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

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

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures (The term 'expenditures' means amounts paid or incurred.)		(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals												
1 a Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)		6,126.													
b Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)		866.													
c Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)		6,992.	0.												
d Other exempt purpose expenditures		1,147,475.													
e Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)		1,154,467.	0.												
f Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns.		190,447.													
<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</th> <th>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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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.														
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Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.														
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000.														
g Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)		47,612.	0.												
h Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0-		0.	0.												
i Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0-		0.	0.												
j If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?			☐ Yes ☐ 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 instructions for lines 2a through 2f.)

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2009	(b) 2010	(c) 2011	(d) 2012	(e) Total
2 a Lobbying non-taxable amount	138,705.	145,518.	160,272.	190,447.	634,942.
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column (e))					952,413.
c Total lobbying expenditures	39,006.	5,750.	10,619.	6,992.	62,367.
d Grassroots nontaxable amount	34,676.	36,380.	40,068.	47,612.	158,736.
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					238,104.
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures	14,950.	5,750.	7,769.	6,126.	34,595.

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Schedule C (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2012

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
1 During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of:			
a Volunteers?			
b Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?			
c Media advertisements?			
d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?			
e Publications, or published or broadcast statements?			
f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?			
g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?			
h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?			
i Other activities?			
j Total. Add lines 1c through 1i			
2a Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?			
b If 'Yes,' enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912.			
c If 'Yes,' enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912.			
d If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

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

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

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

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

Part IV Supplemental Information

Complete this part to 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, line 2; and Part II-B, line 1. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

**SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

Supplemental Financial Statements

► **Complete if the organization answered 'Yes,' to Form 990, Part IV, lines 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.**
► **Attach to Form 990.** ► **See separate instructions.**

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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?..... ☐ Yes ☐ 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?..... ☐ Yes ☐ 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).

☐ Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or education)	☐ Preservation of an historically important land area
☐ Protection of natural habitat	☐ Preservation of a certified historic structure
☐ Preservation of open space	

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

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

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?..... ☐ Yes ☐ No

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)?..... ☐ Yes ☐ No

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.

1 a 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.

1 a 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:

c Beginning balance

d Additions during the year

e Distributions during the year

f Ending balance

	Amount
1 c	
1 d	
1 e	
1 f	

2 a 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 ☐

Part V Endowment Funds. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years	(d) Three years	(e) Four years
1 a 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%.

3 a 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

	Yes	No
3a(i)		
3a(ii)		
3b		

b If 'Yes' to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?

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

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment. 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
1 a Land				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements		8,729.	3,889.	4,840.
d Equipment		25,349.	8,204.	17,145.
e Other				
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)				21,985.

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Schedule D (Form 990) 2012

Part VII Investments – Other Securities. See Form 990, Part X, line 12. N/A

(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)		
(I)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B) line 12.) ..		

Part VIII Investments – Program Related. See Form 990, Part X, line 13. N/A

(a) Description of investment type	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
(10)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B) line 13.) ..		

Part IX Other Assets. See Form 990, Part X, line 15. N/A

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 15.)	

Part X Other Liabilities. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

(a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	
(11)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B) line 25.)	

2. FIN 48 (ASC 740) Footnote. 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 See Part XIII. ☒

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

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements.....	1	2,100,816.
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	2,100,816.
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	2,100,816.

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

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements.....	1	1,154,467.
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	1,154,467.
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	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b.....	4c	
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.).....	5	1,154,467.

Part XIII Supplemental Information

Complete this part to 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 X - FIN 48 Footnote

The Organization has evaluated its current tax positions as of June 30, 2013 and is not aware of any significant uncertain tax positions for which a reserve would be necessary.

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.

OMB No. 1545-0047

2012

Open to Public
Inspection

Name of the organization

MapLight

Employer identification number

33-1094233

Form 990 Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets Line 8

Upon audit of financial statements for fiscal year ended June 30, 2013 by an independent accountant, beginning net assets were adjusted for expense re-classification.

Form 990, Part III, Line 4a - Program Service Accomplishments

MapLight reveals money's influence on politics. Our groundbreaking transparency website combines campaign contribution data with how every legislator votes on every bill, providing citizens and journalists with the transparency tools to hold politicians accountable. During our 2012-2013 fiscal year, we reached over 60 million people with our data through TV, radio, magazines, newspapers, blogs, and other websites. We published 76 reports on timely, topical money-vote connections for U.S. Congress and the California State Legislature, and spearheaded a successful campaign to win online public access to up-to-date campaign finance data in California. We also shone a light on the 2012 election with projects including: Voter's Edge, our nonpartisan online voter guide to ballot measures in eight states and 15 cities and counties; Politicash 2012, our mobile app tracking the flow of money into the presidential race; our Influence Tracker widget, which ranked federal candidates by their relative fundraising prowess; our downloadable database of MapLight-enhanced Federal Elections Commission campaign finance data; and our latest Remote Control report examining the geographic origins of contributions to Senate candidates for the 2012 election. Our data was also central to a number of groundbreaking stories, including exposés on the influence of campaign contributions on bills related to immigration, climate change, gun control, finance, NSA surveillance, and privacy rights, among others.

Name of the organization

MapLight

Employer identification number

33-1094233

Form 990, Part VI, Line 11b - Form 990 Review Process

The 990 is prepared by the president, accounting firm, and bookkeeper, and is provided to each board member for review, prior to filing.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 15a - Compensation Review & Approval Process - CEO, Top Management

The Executive Director's compensation is determined by the board and deliberations include comparability data.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 15b - Compensation Review & Approval Process - Officers & Key Employees

Compensation of employees other than the Executive Director is determined by the Executive Director and deliberations include comparability data.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 19 - Other Organization Documents Publicly Available

Form 990 on the website, other docs available upon request.

2012

California Exempt Organization
Annual Information Return

199

Calendar Year 2012 or fiscal year beginning month 07 day 01 year 2012, and ending month 06 day 30 year 2013

Corporation/Organization Name

MAPLIGHT

Address (suite, room, or PMB no.)

2223 SHATTUCK AVE.

City

BERKELEY

State

CA

ZIP Code

94704

California corporation number

2626413

FEIN

33-1094233

A First Return. ☐ Yes ☒ NoB Amended Return. ☐ Yes ☒ NoC IRC Section 4947(a)(1) trust. ☐ Yes ☒ NoD Final Return ☐ Dissolved ☐ Surrendered (Withdrawn)☐ Merged/Reorganized Enter date: ☐

E Check accounting method:

1 ☐ Cash 2 ☒ Accrual 3 ☐ Other

F Federal return filed?

1 ☐ 990T 2 ☐ 990 (PF) 3 ☐ Sch H (990)G Is this a group filing for the subordinates/affiliates? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If 'Yes,' attach a roster. See instructions

H Is this organization in a group exemption? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If 'Yes,' What's the parent's name?

I Did the organization have any changes in its activities, governing instrument, articles of incorporation, or bylaws that have not been reported to the Franchise Tax Board? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If 'Yes,' explain, and attach copies of revised documents.

J If exempt under R&TC Section 23701d, has the organization during the year: (1) participated in any political campaign, or (2) attempted to influence legislation or any ballot measure, or (3) made an election under R&TC Section 23704.5 (relating to lobbying by public charities)? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If 'Yes,' complete and attach form FTB 3509.

K Is the organization exempt under R&TC Section 23701g? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If 'Yes,' enter gross receipts from nonmember sources. \$L If organization is exempt under R&TC Section 23701d and is exclusively religious, educational, or charitable, and is supported primarily (50% or more) by public contributions, check box. No filing fee is required ☒M Is the organization a Limited Liability Company? ☐ Yes ☒ NoN Did the organization file Form 100 or Form 109 to report taxable income? ☐ Yes ☒ NoO Is the organization under audit by the IRS or has the IRS audited in a prior year? ☐ Yes ☒ No

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Part I Complete Part I unless not required to file this form. See General Instructions B and C.

Receipts and Revenues	1	Gross sales or receipts from other sources. From Side 2, Part II, line 8	1	3,111.
	2	Gross dues and assessments from members and affiliates	2	
	3	Gross contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received SEE .SCH...B.	3	2,097,705.
	4	Total gross receipts for filing requirement test. Add line 1 through line 3. This line must be completed. If the result is less than \$50,000, see General Instruction B...	4	2,100,816.
	5	Cost of goods sold	5	
	6	Cost or other basis, and sales expenses of assets sold	6	
Expenses	7	Total costs. Add line 5 and line 6	7	
	8	Total gross income. Subtract line 7 from line 4	8	2,100,816.
Filing Fee	9	Total expenses and disbursements. From Side 2, Part II, line 18	9	1,154,467.
	10	Excess of receipts over expenses and disbursements. Subtract line 9 from line 8	10	946,349.
	11	Filing fee \$10 or \$25. See General Instruction F	11	
Sign Here	12	Total payments	12	
	13	Penalties and Interest. See General Instruction J	13	
	14	Use tax. See General Instruction K	14	
	15	Balance due. Add line 11, line 13, and line 14. Then subtract line 12 from the result	15	
Paid Preparer's Use Only	Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than taxpayer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.			
	Signature of officer	Title	Date	Telephone
	Preparer's signature		Date	PTIN
	Firm's name (or yours, if self-employed) and address		Check if self-employed	FEIN

May the FTB discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions. ☒ Yes ☐ No

Part II Organizations with gross receipts of more than \$50,000 and private foundations regardless of amount of gross receipts — complete Part II or furnish substitute information.

Receipts from Other Sources	1 Gross sales or receipts from all business activities. See instructions	1	
	2 Interest	2	1,040.
	3 Dividends	3	
	4 Gross rents	4	
	5 Gross royalties	5	
	6 Gross amount received from sale of assets (See instructions)	6	
	7 Other income. Attach schedule SEE STATEMENT 1	7	2,071.
Expenses and Disbursements	8 Total gross sales or receipts from other sources. Add line 1 through line 7. Enter here and on Side 1, Part I, line 1.	8	3,111.
	9 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts paid. Attach schedule	9	
	10 Disbursements to or for members.	10	
	11 Compensation of officers, directors, and trustees. Attach schedule.	11	170,716.
	12 Other salaries and wages	12	580,082.
	13 Interest	13	
	14 Taxes	14	54,204.
	15 Rents	15	45,838.
	16 Depreciation and depletion (See instructions).	16	4,610.
	17 Other Expenses and Disbursements. Attach schedule SEE STATEMENT 2	17	299,017.
	18 Total expenses and disbursements. Add line 9 through line 17. Enter here and on Side 1, Part I, line 9.	18	1,154,467.

Schedule L Balance Sheets

	Beginning of taxable year		End of taxable year	
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
Assets				
1 Cash		466,283.		764,452.
2 Net accounts receivable		10,000.		700,000.
3 Net notes receivable				
4 Inventories				
5 Federal and state government obligations				
6 Investments in other bonds				
7 Investments in stock				
8 Mortgage loans				
9 Other investments Attach schedule				
10 a Depreciable assets	33,636.		34,078.	
b Less accumulated depreciation	23,554.	10,082.	12,093.	21,985.
11 Land				
12 Other assets. Attach schedule STM. 3		9,400.		17,738.
13 Total assets		495,765.		1,504,175.
Liabilities and net worth				
14 Accounts payable		10,747.		68,138.
15 Contributions, gifts, or grants payable				
16 Bonds and notes payable				
17 Mortgages payable				
18 Other liabilities. Attach schedule				
19 Capital stock or principle fund				
20 Paid-in or capital surplus. Attach reconciliation				
21 Retained earnings or income fund		485,018.		1,436,037.
22 Total liabilities and net worth		495,765.		1,504,175.

Schedule M-1 Reconciliation of income per books with income per return

Do not complete this schedule if the amount on Schedule L, line 13, column (d), is less than \$50,000

1 Net income per books	946,349.	7 Income recorded on books this year not included in this return. Attach sch	
2 Federal income tax		8 Deductions in this return not charged against book income this year. Attach schedule.	
3 Excess of capital losses over capital gains		9 Total. Add line 7 and line 8.	
4 Income not recorded on books this year. Attach schedule.		10 Net income per return. Subtract line 9 from line 6.	946,349.
5 Expenses recorded on books this year not deducted in this return. Attach schedule.			
6 Total. Add line 1 through line 5	946,349.		

2012**Political or Legislative Activities by
Section 23701d Organizations****3509**For calendar year 2012 or fiscal year beginning month 07 day 01 year 2012, and ending month 06 day 30 year 2013.**Attach to Form 199.** FTB 199N filers see instructions.

Corporation/Organization name

MapLight

California corporation number

2 6 2 6 4 1 3

Address (suite, room, or PMB no.)

2223 Shattuck Avenue

FEIN

3 3 1 0 9 4 2 3 3

City

Berkeley

State

CA

Zip Code

9 4 7 0 4

Part I - Political Activities

Complete if the organization supported or opposed a candidate for public office. See instructions.

- 1** Has the organization participated or intervened in any political campaign on behalf of any elective public office candidate? **1** ☐ Yes ☐ No
If "Yes," describe the activities. Provide a summary of any published material relating to the activities.

- 2** Has the organization contributed funds to support or oppose any individual public office candidate, or any organizations formed to support or oppose a public office candidate? **2** ☐ Yes ☐ No
If "Yes," describe the activities. Include the name of the individual or organization the organization contributed to, the amount paid, and date of contribution.

Part II - Legislative Activities. See instructions.

Complete if the organization attempted to influence legislation.

- 3** Has the organization attempted to influence any national, state or local legislation, or ballot measure? **3** ☒ Yes ☐ No
If "Yes," describe the activities in detail. Provide a summary of any published materials relating to the activities.

Supported the California Disclose Act before the California legislative, in support of transparency for campaign spending.

Expenditures: Personnel - \$5,769, Other direct costs - \$1,223

See attached for supplemental materials.

- 4** Has the organization, during the taxable year listed above, filed a federal election Form 5768, Election/Revocation of Election by an Eligible Section 501(c)(3) Organization to Make Expenditure to Influence Legislation? **4** ☐ Yes ☒ No
The organization **cannot** make this election if it is a church, an integrated auxiliary of a church, a private foundation, or an affiliated organization.
If "Yes," attach a copy of federal Form 5768 filed with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

If the organization elected to make expenditures to influence legislation, furnish the following financial information for the taxable year:

5 Exempt Purpose ExpendituresThe total amount paid or incurred to accomplish the charitable, educational, religious, etc. purpose. **5** \$ 1,154,467 00**6 Lobbying Expenditures**The total amount expended for the purpose of influencing legislation through communication with any member or employee of a legislative body or any government official or employee who may participate in the formation of legislation. **6** \$ 866 00**7 Grass Roots Expenditures**The amount expended to influence any legislation through attempts to affect the opinions of the general public or any segment of it. **7** \$ 6,126 00

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Op Ed: California can shine a light on national 'dark money' in campaigns

Submitted by Daniel Newman on Feb 4, 2013

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The disastrous Citizens United Supreme Court decision three years ago unleashed a flood of political money unprecedented in U.S. history. Organizations can now raise and spend unlimited amounts of money to influence elections, without disclosing where that money came from. These "dark money" groups spent hundreds of millions of dollars nationally to influence November's elections.

In California, this dark money poured into campaigns for California's congressional representatives, and for state ballot measures. Most notably, a group called Americans for Responsible Leadership spent \$11 million to influence Propositions 30 and 32 – without disclosing its donors. Chairwoman Ann Ravel led California's Fair Political Practices Commission in a lawsuit against the group to pry free the basic civic information of who was funding their efforts to influence California elections.

The state's suit was successful, but only up to a point. Americans for Responsible Leadership was forced to reveal that it received the \$11 million from a second group, the Center to Protect Patient Rights, which in turn received it from a third group, Americans for Job Security.

The donors to this third group are still secret today – and the current law allows them to remain that way. Voters now know the nondescript names of three secret groups that funneled money – but are still in the dark about who really influenced California's ballot measures.

Citizens United also freed corporations to spend unlimited amounts to influence elections. The public doesn't know the extent of corporate spending on elections, because the law currently allows corporations to keep their spending secret. Consumer-facing corporations, sensitive to public perceptions of political influence, are able to hide their political spending by financing trade associations, like the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, that do not have to disclose their donors.

And we certainly can't rely on corporations to voluntarily self-disclose. In a public statement to its shareholders, the insurance giant Aetna promised to be transparent about its political spending. Then, it accidentally revealed in a year-end regulatory filing that it contributed \$4.5 million to the Chamber of Commerce to influence elections – a mistaken disclosure that it promptly deleted from its public filing.

Congress will not be acting to reveal this secret money anytime soon. Republicans in Congress will continue to block the DISCLOSE Act and similar sunshine attempts, because the dark money overwhelmingly benefits them.

In November's elections, 85 percent of dark money supported Republicans, according to research from the nonpartisan Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington.

In California, we can ourselves take major steps that will unmask some of this secret money nationally, leveraging our position as the nation's most populous and most influential state. These three California proposals, if implemented at the state level, would reveal dark money across the nation:

First, the state could make use of its tremendous purchasing power to require that companies contracting with the state disclose all their political contributions – national, state, and local. It's bad enough that government contractors contribute to politicians who can help them win contracts. We citizens should at least know what these contributions are.

Second, California could require that all companies doing business in the state disclose all their political contributions – national, state, and local. As the eighth largest economy in the world, California can use our economic size to leverage the political transparency that is critical for our democracy.

Third, California could require disclosure of every entity making major contributions to the type of "pass-through" dark money groups implicated in the \$11 million political money-laundering case. California could require the disclosure not just of the generic name of an organization, but of all the organization's major donors, if the organization's money was spent on California elections. This change would mean that, in the case of the laundered \$11 million, all three dark money groups that touched the funds would have to disclose all their major donors, opening up a window into these groups' funding sources nationally.

Reforms such as these are well within our grasp. In both chambers of the California Legislature, there have been proposals for legislation, such as the California Disclose Act (SB 52) in the current session, which would bring greater accountability to our elections. What we need now, though, is to move beyond mere proposals.

The California public is disgusted with our broken system of money-dominated politics. Any or all of these three changes made by Sacramento lawmakers would shine a bright light on dark money nationally, while endearing their legislative champions to the California public.

Daniel G. Newman is co-founder and president of MapLight, a nonpartisan research organization revealing money's influence on politics. He is a 2011-13 network fellow at the Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics at Harvard University.

Link to this article at: http://www.mercurynews.com/top-stories/ci_22457593/daniel-g-newman-california-can-shine-light-national

About our data



Read the details about our data sources and methodology. Data refers to direct contributions to the campaign committees of elected legislators. For example, contribution totals exclude contributions to party committees such as the RNC or the DNC and exclude contributions made to individuals that did not win their election.

For U.S. Congress, contributions data provided by the Center for Responsive Politics (OpenSecrets.org) and legislative data provided by GovTrack.us.

California contributions data provided by the National Institute on Money in State Politics (FollowTheMoney.org).

Wisconsin contributions data provided by the Wisconsin Democracy Campaign (wisdc.org).

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23 May

Expand

Client MAP08

MapLight

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Statement 1
Form 199, Part II, Line 7
Other Income

Miscellaneous.....	Total	\$	2,071.
		\$	<u>2,071.</u>

Statement 2
Form 199, Part II, Line 17
Other Expenses

Accounting Fees.....	\$	7,458.
Advertising and Promotion.....		5,383.
Conferences, Conventions, and Meetings.....		16,100.
Dues, licenses, service fees.....		1,076.
Information Technology.....		10,407.
Insurance.....		8,147.
Legal Fees.....		3,883.
Office Expenses.....		42,887.
Other Employee Benefit.....		82,379.
Other fees.....		99,681.
Publications.....		1,864.
Travel.....		19,752.
	Total	\$ <u>299,017.</u>

Statement 3
Form 199, Schedule L, Line 12
Other Assets

Deposits.....		9,400.
Prepaid Expenses and Deferred Charges.....		8,338.
	Total	\$ <u>17,738.</u>

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IN
MAIL TO:
Registry of Charitable Trusts
P.O. Box 903447
Sacramento, CA 94203-4470
Telephone: (916) 445-2021

WEBSITE ADDRESS:
<http://ag.ca.gov/charities/>

ANNUAL REGISTRATION RENEWAL FEE REPORT TO ATTORNEY GENERAL OF CALIFORNIA

Sections 12586 and 12587, California Government Code
11 Cal. Code Regs. sections 301-307, 311 and 312

Failure to submit this report annually no later than four months and fifteen days after the end of the organization's accounting period may result in the loss of tax exemption and the assessment of a minimum tax of \$800, plus interest, and/or fines or filing penalties as defined in Government Code Section 12586.1. IRS extensions will be honored.



State Charity Registration Number <u>125741</u>		Check if: ☐ Change of address ☐ Amended report
MAPLIGHT Name of Organization		
2223 SHATTUCK AVE. Address (Number and Street)		Corporate or Organization No. <u>2626413</u>
BERKELEY, CA 94704 City or Town State ZIP Code		Federal Employer ID No. <u>33-1094233</u>

ANNUAL REGISTRATION RENEWAL FEE SCHEDULE (11 Cal. Code Regs. sections 301-307, 311 and 312) Make Check Payable to Attorney General's Registry of Charitable Trusts

Gross Annual Revenue	Fee	Gross Annual Revenue	Fee	Gross Annual Revenue	Fee
Less than \$25,000	0	Between \$100,001 and \$250,000	\$50	Between \$1,000,001 and \$10 million	\$150
Between \$25,000 and \$100,000	\$25	Between \$250,001 and \$1 million	\$75	Between \$10,000,001 and \$50 million	\$225
				Greater than \$50 million	\$300

PART A – ACTIVITIES

For your most recent full accounting period (beginning 7/01/12 ending 6/30/13) list:
Gross annual revenue \$ 2,100,816. Total assets \$ 1,504,175.

PART B – STATEMENTS REGARDING ORGANIZATION DURING THE PERIOD OF THIS REPORT

Note: If you answer 'yes' to any of the questions below, you must attach a separate sheet providing an explanation and details for each 'yes' response. Please review RRF-1 instructions for information required.

	Yes	No
1 During this reporting period, were there any contracts, loans, leases or other financial transactions between the organization and any officer, director or trustee thereof either directly or with an entity in which any such officer, director or trustee had any financial interest? SEE STATEMENT 1	☒	☐
2 During this reporting period, was there any theft, embezzlement, diversion or misuse of the organization's charitable property or funds?	☐	☒
3 During this reporting period, did non-program expenditures exceed 50% of gross revenues?	☐	☒
4 During this reporting period, were any organization funds used to pay any penalty, fine or judgment? If you filed a Form 4720 with the Internal Revenue Service, attach a copy.	☐	☒
5 During this reporting period, were the services of a commercial fundraiser or fundraising counsel for charitable purposes used? If 'yes,' provide an attachment listing the name, address, and telephone number of the service provider.	☐	☒
6 During this reporting period, did the organization receive any governmental funding? If so, provide an attachment listing the name of the agency, mailing address, contact person, and telephone number.	☐	☒
7 During this reporting period, did the organization hold a raffle for charitable purposes? If 'yes,' provide an attachment indicating the number of raffles and the date(s) they occurred.	☐	☒
8 Does the organization conduct a vehicle donation program? If 'yes,' provide an attachment indicating whether the program is operated by the charity or whether the organization contracts with a commercial fundraiser for charitable purposes.	☐	☒
9 Did your organization have prepared an audited financial statement in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for this reporting period?	☒	☐

Organization's area code and telephone number 510-868-0894

Organization's e-mail address INFO@MAPLIGHT.ORG

I declare under penalty of perjury that I have examined this report, including accompanying documents, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct and complete.

Signature of authorized officer

Printed Name

Title

Date

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Statement 1
Form RRF-1, Part B, line 1
Financial Transactions

The organization received grants totaling \$270,000 from the Kaphan Foundation.
Board Director Shel Kaphan is President of Kaphan Foundation.