

Form **990**

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)
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2023
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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

A For the 2023 calendar year, or tax year beginning 02/01/23, and ending 01/31/24

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

C Name of organization: **HEAD START OF WASHINGTON COUNTY INC**
 Doing business as:
 Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address): **325 WEST MEMORIAL BLVD**
 City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code: **HAGERSTOWN MD 21740**

D Employer identification number: **52-1176416**
E Telephone number: **301-733-0088**
G Gross receipts\$: **8,063,312**

F Name and address of principal officer:
VICKI ROBINSON
325 WEST MEMORIAL BOULEVARD
HAGERSTOWN MD 21740

H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? Yes No
H(b) Are all subordinates included? Yes No
 If "No," attach a list. See instructions.

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

J Website: **WWW.HEADSTARTWASHCO.ORG**

K Form of organization: Corporation Trust Association Other

L Year of formation: **1980** **M** State of legal domicile: **MD**

H(c) Group exemption number

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: SEE SCHEDULE O		
	2 Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.		
	3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	10
	4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	10
	5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2023 (Part V, line 2a)	5	159
	6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	254
Revenue	7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0
	b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, Part I, line 11	7b	0
	8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year	Current Year
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	7,215,473	7,588,125
	10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	335,190	468,913
	11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	5	6,274
	12 Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	8,487	0
	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	7,559,155	8,063,312
	14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		0
	Expenses	15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	5,862,932
16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)			0
b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25)		0	
17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)		1,589,612	1,470,579
18 Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)		7,452,544	7,817,485
19 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12		106,611	245,827
Net Assets or Fund Balances		20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Current Year
	21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	4,784,107	5,094,562
	22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	2,289,000	2,529,722

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: *Vicki Robinson* Date: **12/3/24**
VICKI ROBINSON EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
 Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer Use Only
 Print/Type preparer's name: **WILLIAM SOUDERS, CPA** Preparer's signature: *William Souders* Date: **11/27/24** Check if self-employed if PTIN: **P01297339**
 Firm's name: **SMITH ELLIOTT KEARNS & COMPANY, LLC** Firm's EIN: **52-0783935**
 Firm's address: **19405 EMERALD SQUARE STE 1400 HAGERSTOWN, MD 21742** Phone no.: **301-733-5020**

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

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

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

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

SEE SCHEDULE O

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2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ?

Yes No

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

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services?

Yes No

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

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

4a (Code:) (Expenses \$ 6,620,600 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 468,913)

SEE SCHEDULE O

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ 329,054 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

USDA CHILD CARE FOOD PROGRAM - PROVIDING BREAKFAST, LUNCH, AND SNACKS FOR CHILDREN AGES BIRTH TO AGE 5. DURING THIS PROGRAM YEAR 120,939 MEALS WERE SERVED TO ENROLLED CHILDREN. THE RETURN OF FULLY IN-PERSON SERVICES AND FULL STAFFING LED TO AN INCREASE IN MEALS SERVED COMPARED TO THE PREVIOUS FISCAL YEAR. NO ROLLING CLOSURES WERE NEEDED TO COMPENSATE FOR STAFF SHORTAGES AND DECREASED ILLNESS RESTRICTIONS DUE TO COVID ALLOWED FOR INCREASED ATTENDANCE OF CHILDREN.

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ 146,670 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

MARYLAND HEAD START AND EARLY HEAD START SUPPLEMENTAL GRANT TO ENHANCE THE SCHOOL READINESS OF HS AND EHS CHILDREN BY PROVIDING EXPANDED AND IMPROVED SERVICES TO ELIGIBLE CHILDREN BIRTH TO AGE 5 THROUGH THE EXPANSION OF HOURS AND DAYS OF SERVICES FOR CHILDREN TO ADDRESS THE FULL DAY, YEAR-ROUND NEEDS OF PARENTS WHO ARE WORKING, ATTENDING AN EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM OR ATTENDING JOB TRAINING.

4d Other program services (Describe on Schedule O.)

(Expenses \$ 58,941 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e Total program service expenses 7,155,265

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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors? See instructions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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 Rev. Proc. 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in donor-restricted endowments or in quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

		Yes	No
22	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>		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, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a</i>		X
b	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
c	Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		
d	Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		
25a	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) 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
b	Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		X
26	Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5 or 22, for receivables from or payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>		X
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity (including an employee thereof) 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 the Schedule L, Part IV, instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions).		
a	A current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, or substantial contributor? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
b	A family member of any individual described in line 28a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
c	A 35% controlled entity of one or more individuals and/or organizations described in line 28a or 28b? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in noncash 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, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1</i>		X
35a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?		X
b	If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <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 on Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note: All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O.	X	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

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

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable		
1b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included on line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable		
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	X	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance (continued)		Yes	No		
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	2a	159		
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns?	2b		X	
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	3a			X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation on Schedule O	3b			
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?	4a			X
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).				
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5a			X
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5b			X
c	If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	5c			
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?	6a			X
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	6b			
7	Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).				
a	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?	7a			
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7b			
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7c			
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7d			
e	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7e			
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7f			
g	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7g			
h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	7h			
8	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	8			
9	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.				
a	Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?	9a			
b	Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	9b			
10	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:				
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a			
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b			
11	Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter:				
a	Gross income from members or shareholders	11a			
b	Gross income from other sources. (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	11b			
12a	Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12a			
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b			
13	Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.				
a	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? Note: See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.	13a			
b	Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans	13b			
c	Enter the amount of reserves on hand	13c			
14a	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14a			X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation on Schedule O	14b			
15	Is the organization subject to the section 4960 tax on payment(s) of more than \$1,000,000 in remuneration or excess parachute payment(s) during the year? If "Yes," see instructions and file Form 4720, Schedule N.	15			X
16	Is the organization an educational institution subject to the section 4968 excise tax on net investment income? If "Yes," complete Form 4720, Schedule O.	16			X
17	Section 501(c)(21) organizations. Did the trust, any disqualified or other person engage in any activities that would result in the imposition of an excise tax under section 4951, 4952 or 4953? If "Yes," complete Form 6069.	17			

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

Section A. Governing Body and Management

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

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

		Yes	No
10a	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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?		
11a	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
b	Describe on Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.		
12a	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
b	Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
c	Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe on Schedule O how this was done	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
13	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
14	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
b	Other officers or key employees of the organization	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process on Schedule O. See instructions.		
16a	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b	If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?		

Section C. Disclosure

17	List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed MD
18	Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (1024 or 1024-A, if applicable), 990, and 990-T (section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Own website <input type="checkbox"/> Another's website <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Upon request <input type="checkbox"/> Other (explain on Schedule O)
19	Describe on Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.
20	State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records. RHONDA SMITH HAGERSTOWN 325 WEST MEMORIAL BOULEVARD MD 21740 301-733-0088

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

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

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

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

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
 - List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."
 - List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (box 5 of Form W-2, box 6 of Form 1099-MISC, and/or box 1 of Form 1099-NEC) 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.
- See the instructions for the order in which to list the persons above.

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/ 1099-NEC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/ 1099-MISC/ 1099-NEC)	(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) VICKI ROBINSON EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	40.00 0.00			X			109,775	0	14,963	
(2) RHONDA SMITH DIRECTOR OF FINANCE	40.00 0.00			X			83,104	0	21,814	
(3) BROOKE KERBS PRESIDENT	2.00 0.00	X		X			0	0	0	
(4) KENT MATSUMOTO VICE PRESIDENT	1.00 0.00	X		X			0	0	0	
(5) EMILY RADAKE DIRECTOR	2.00 0.00	X					0	0	0	
(6) NICOLE TWIGG DIRECTOR	1.00 0.00	X					0	0	0	
(7) STACY CAMPBELL DIRECTOR	2.00 0.00	X					0	0	0	
(8) TERRI LANCASTER DIRECTOR	1.00 0.00	X					0	0	0	
(9) CLAUDIA MARTIN DIRECTOR	1.00 0.00	X					0	0	0	
(10) DIANE VERDIER DIRECTOR	1.00 0.00	X					0	0	0	
(11) CARROL LOURIE DIRECTOR	1.00 0.00	X					0	0	0	

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

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week 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/1099-NEC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(12) TONNIE GEORGE DIRECTOR	1.00 0.00	X						0	0	0
(13)										
(14)										
(15)										
(16)										
(17)										
(18)										
(19)										
1b Subtotal								192,879		36,777
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A										
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)								192,879		36,777

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**

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

Section B. Independent Contractors

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

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

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

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

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

		(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514	
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a Federated campaigns	1a				
	b Membership dues	1b				
	c Fundraising events	1c				
	d Related organizations	1d				
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e	7,585,843			
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	2,282			
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f	1g \$				
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f		7,588,125			
Program Service Revenue	2a MD CHILDCARE SCHOLARSHIP PROG	Business Code 624410	455,413	455,413		
	b MARYLAND EXCELS	624410	13,500	13,500		
	c					
	d					
	e					
	f All other program service revenue					
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f		468,913			
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		38		38	
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds					
	5 Royalties					
	6a Gross rents	6a	(i) Real			
			(ii) Personal			
	b Less: rental expenses	6b				
	c Rental inc. or (loss)	6c				
	d Net rental income or (loss)					
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	7a	(i) Securities			
			(ii) Other	6,236		
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales exps.	7b				
	c Gain or (loss)	7c	6,236			
d Net gain or (loss)		6,236		6,236		
8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	8a					
		8b				
b Less: direct expenses						
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events						
9a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	9a					
		9b				
b Less: direct expenses						
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities						
10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	10a					
		10b				
b Less: cost of goods sold						
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory						
Miscellaneous Revenue	11a	Business Code				
	b					
	c					
	d All other revenue					
	e Total. Add lines 11a-11d					
12 Total revenue. See instructions		8,063,312	468,913	0	6,274	

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

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

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

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.		(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1	Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21				
2	Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22				
3	Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4	Benefits paid to or for members				
5	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	232,574		232,574	
6	Compensation not included above to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7	Other salaries and wages	4,505,448	4,273,193	232,255	
8	Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	494,107	462,834	31,273	
9	Other employee benefits	644,306	613,628	30,678	
10	Payroll taxes	470,471	433,617	36,854	
11	Fees for services (nonemployees):				
a	Management				
b	Legal				
c	Accounting	26,525		26,525	
d	Lobbying				
e	Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f	Investment management fees				
g	Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O.)	57,254	56,644	610	
12	Advertising and promotion	4,219	1,375	2,844	
13	Office expenses	213,452	188,510	24,942	
14	Information technology				
15	Royalties				
16	Occupancy	245,799	223,860	21,939	
17	Travel	166,105	165,495	610	
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19	Conferences, conventions, and meetings	58,544	45,080	13,464	
20	Interest				
21	Payments to affiliates				
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	185,754	184,377	1,377	
23	Insurance	73,173	69,802	3,371	
24	Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (List miscellaneous expenses on line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a	FOOD SERVICE SUPPLIES	264,398	264,398		
b	CHILD/FAMILY SVC SUPPLIES	158,658	158,658		
c	PARENT SERVICES	9,665	9,665		
d	MEMBERSHIPS	6,579	4,129	2,450	
e	All other expenses	454		454	
25	Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	7,817,485	7,155,265	662,220	0
26	Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

Part X Balance Sheet

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

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year	
Assets	1	290,068	1	267,575	
	2		2		
	3	958,052	3	1,275,521	
	4	26,956	4	49,511	
	5		5		
	6		6		
	7		7		
	8		8		
	9	558	9	46,929	
	10a	5,706,469			
	10b	2,251,443	3,508,473	10c	3,455,026
	11			11	
	12			12	
	13			13	
	14			14	
	15			15	
16		4,784,107	16	5,094,562	
Liabilities	17	944,052	17	1,290,669	
	18		18		
	19	29,070	19	26,858	
	20		20		
	21		21		
	22		22		
	23	1,315,878	23	1,212,195	
	24		24		
	25		25		
	26		2,289,000	26	2,529,722
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.				
	27	2,495,107	27	2,564,840	
	28		28		
	Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 29 through 33.				
	29		29		
	30		30		
	31		31		
32	2,495,107	32	2,564,840		
33	4,784,107	33	5,094,562		

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

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

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	8,063,312
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	7,817,485
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	245,827
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))	4	2,495,107
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain on Schedule O)	9	-176,094
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 32, column (B))	10	2,564,840

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

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

		Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain on Schedule O.		
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both. <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		X
2b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	X	
2c	If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain on Schedule O.	X	
3a	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Uniform Guidance, 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Subpart F?	X	
3b	If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why on Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits	X	

SCHEDULE A (Form 990)

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.

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

OMB No. 1545-0047

2023

Open to Public Inspection

Name of the organization

HEAD START OF WASHINGTON COUNTY INC

Employer identification number

52-1176416

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

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

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

Table with 6 columns: (i) Name of supported organization, (ii) EIN, (iii) Type of organization, (iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?, (v) Amount of monetary support, (vi) Amount of other support. Rows (A) through (E) and Total.

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

Table with 7 columns: Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in), (a) 2019, (b) 2020, (c) 2021, (d) 2022, (e) 2023, (f) Total. Rows include: 1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received; 2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit; 3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit; 4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3; 5 The portion of total contributions by each person; 6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.

Section B. Total Support

Table with 7 columns: Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in), (a) 2019, (b) 2020, (c) 2021, (d) 2022, (e) 2023, (f) Total. Rows include: 7 Amounts from line 4; 8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources; 9 Net income from unrelated business activities; 10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets; 11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10.

12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions) 12 1,408,530
13 First 5 years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

Table with 2 columns: Line number, Percentage. Rows include: 14 Public support percentage for 2023 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f)) 14 99.87%; 15 Public support percentage from 2022 Schedule A, Part II, line 14 15 99.87%; 16a 33 1/3% support test - 2023. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization [X]; b 33 1/3% support test - 2022. 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 - 2023. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization; b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test - 2022. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization; 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 10 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Table with 7 columns: Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in), (a) 2019, (b) 2020, (c) 2021, (d) 2022, (e) 2023, (f) Total. Rows include: 1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received; 2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed; 3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business; 4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit; 5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit; 6 Total; 7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons; 7b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons; 7c Add lines 7a and 7b; 8 Public support.

Section B. Total Support

Table with 7 columns: Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in), (a) 2019, (b) 2020, (c) 2021, (d) 2022, (e) 2023, (f) Total. Rows include: 9 Amounts from line 6; 10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources; 10b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975; 10c Add lines 10a and 10b; 11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included on line 10b; 12 Other income; 13 Total support.

14 First 5 years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here []

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

Table with 3 columns: Description, Amount, Percentage. Row 15: Public support percentage for 2023 (line 8, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f)) 15 %; Row 16: Public support percentage from 2022 Schedule A, Part III, line 15 16 %

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

Table with 3 columns: Description, Amount, Percentage. Row 17: Investment income percentage for 2023 (line 10c, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f)) 17 %; Row 18: Investment income percentage from 2022 Schedule A, Part III, line 17 18 %

19a 33 1/3% support tests — 2023. 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 — 2022. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization []

20 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions []

Part IV Supporting Organizations

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

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, Yes, No. Rows include questions 1 through 10b regarding supported organizations, including their status, control, and support.

Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)

- 11 Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?
 - a A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described on lines 11b and 11c below, the governing body of a supported organization?
 - b A family member of a person described on line 11a above?
 - c A 35% controlled entity of a person described on line 11a or 11b above? If "Yes" to line 11a, 11b, or 11c, provide detail in Part VI.

	Yes	No
11a		
11b		
11c		

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

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

	Yes	No
1		
2		

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

- 1 Were a majority of the organization's directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors or trustees of each of the organization's supported organization(s)? If "No," describe in Part VI how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s).

	Yes	No
1		

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

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

	Yes	No
1		
2		
3		

Section E. Type III Functionally Integrated Supporting Organizations

- 1 Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions).
 - a The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete line 2 below.
 - b The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete line 3 below.
 - c The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in Part VI how you supported a governmental entity (see instructions).

2 Activities Test. Answer lines 2a and 2b below.

- a Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? If "Yes," then in Part VI identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.
- b Did the activities described on line 2a, above, constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? If "Yes," explain in Part VI the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.

3 Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer lines 3a and 3b below.

- a Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? If "Yes" or "No," provide details in Part VI.
- b Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs, and activities of each of its supported organizations? If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard.

	Yes	No
2a		
2b		
3a		
3b		

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

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

Section A – Adjusted Net Income		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Net short-term capital gain	1	
2	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2	
3	Other gross income (see instructions)	3	
4	Add lines 1 through 3.	4	
5	Depreciation and depletion	5	
6	Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	6	
7	Other expenses (see instructions)	7	
8	Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6, and 7 from line 4)	8	
Section B – Minimum Asset Amount		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year):		
a	Average monthly value of securities	1a	
b	Average monthly cash balances	1b	
c	Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c	
d	Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d	
e	Discount claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in Part VI):		
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt-use assets	2	
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d.	3	
4	Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 0.015 of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4	
5	Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5	
6	Multiply line 5 by 0.035.	6	
7	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7	
8	Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6)	8	
Section C – Distributable Amount			Current Year
1	Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, column A)	1	
2	Enter 0.85 of line 1.	2	
3	Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, column A)	3	
4	Enter greater of line 2 or line 3.	4	
5	Income tax imposed in prior year	5	
6	Distributable Amount. Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions).	6	
7	<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions).		

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

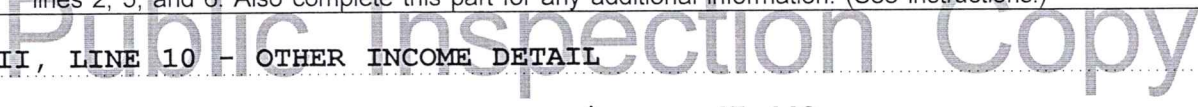
Section D – Distributions		Current Year
1	Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes	1
2	Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	2
3	Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt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

Section E – Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2023	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2023
1	Distributable amount for 2023 from Section C, line 6		
2	Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2023 (reasonable cause required—explain in Part VI). See instructions.		
3	Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2023		
a	From 2018		
b	From 2019		
c	From 2020		
d	From 2021		
e	From 2022		
f	Total of lines 3a through 3e		
g	Applied to underdistributions of prior years		
h	Applied to 2023 distributable amount		
i	Carryover from 2018 not applied (see instructions)		
j	Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from line 3f.		
4	Distributions for 2023 from Section D, line 7: \$		
a	Applied to underdistributions of prior years		
b	Applied to 2023 distributable amount		
c	Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from line 4.		
5	Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2023, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.		
6	Remaining underdistributions for 2023. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.		
7	Excess distributions carryover to 2024. Add lines 3j and 4c.		
8	Breakdown of line 7:		
a	Excess from 2019		
b	Excess from 2020		
c	Excess from 2021		
d	Excess from 2022		
e	Excess from 2023		

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

PART II, LINE 10 - OTHER INCOME DETAIL

OTHER INCOME \$ **47,442**



SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements

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

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Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

Table with 2 columns: (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include: 1 Total number at end of year, 2 Aggregate value of contributions to (during year), 3 Aggregate value of grants from (during year), 4 Aggregate value at end of year, 5 Did the organization inform all donors... Yes No, 6 Did the organization inform all grantees... Yes No.

Part II Conservation Easements

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

Table with 2 columns: Description, Held at the End of the Tax Year. Rows include: 1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements (checkboxes for public use, natural habitat, open space, historic area, historic structure), 2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution... (sub-rows 2a-2d), 3 Number of conservation easements modified..., 4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located, 5 Does the organization have a written policy..., 6 Staff and volunteer hours..., 7 Amount of expenses..., 8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2d... Yes No, 9 In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements...

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

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

Table with 2 columns: Description, Amount. Rows include: 1a If the organization elected, as permitted under FASB ASC 958, not to report... provide in Part XIII the text..., 1b If the organization elected, as permitted under FASB ASC 958, to report... provide the following amounts..., 2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts... (sub-rows 2a, 2b).

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 make 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 program
 - 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" on Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

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

Part V Endowment Funds

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

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

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

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment

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

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land		446,475		446,475
b Buildings		3,881,450	1,137,928	2,743,522
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment		1,378,544	1,113,515	265,029
e Other				
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 10c, column (B))				3,455,026

Part VII Investments – Other Securities

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

Table with 3 columns: (a) Description of security or category, (b) Book value, (c) Method of valuation. Rows include (1) Financial derivatives, (2) Closely held equity interests, (3) Other (A-H), and Total.

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Part VIII Investments – Program Related

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

Table with 3 columns: (a) Description of investment, (b) Book value, (c) Method of valuation. Rows (1) through (9) and Total.

Part IX Other Assets

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

Table with 2 columns: (a) Description, (b) Book value. Rows (1) through (9) and Total.

Part X Other Liabilities

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

Table with 2 columns: (a) Description of liability, (b) Book value. Row 1 includes Federal income taxes, followed by rows (2) through (9) and Total.

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

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

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

Table with 5 main rows and sub-rows (a-e) for adjustments. Total revenue reported as 9,103,555, adjusted to 8,063,312.

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

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

Table with 5 main rows and sub-rows (a-e) for adjustments. Total expenses reported as 8,980,370, adjusted to 7,817,485.

Part XIII Supplemental Information

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

PART X - FIN 48 FOOTNOTE

THE ORGANIZATION FOLLOWS GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES, WHICH PROVIDES GUIDANCE ON ACCOUNTING FOR UNCERTAINTY IN INCOME TAXES RECOGNIZED IN AN ORGANIZATION'S FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

THE ORGANIZATION'S POLICY IS TO CHARGE PENALTIES AND INTEREST TO INCOME TAX EXPENSE AS INCURRED.

THE ORGANIZATION'S FEDERAL AND STATE INCOME TAX RETURNS ARE SUBJECT TO EXAMINATION BY THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE AND STATE TAX AUTHORITIES, GENERALLY FOR A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS AFTER THE RETURNS ARE FILED.

PART XII, LINE 2D - EXPENSE AMOUNTS INCLUDED IN FINANCIALS - OTHER

FIXED ASSET PURCHASES CAPITALIZED \$ 130,925

Part XIII Supplemental Information (continued)

CURRENT YEAR ENCUMBERED EXPENSES \$ 231,876

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PART XII, LINE 4B - EXPENSE AMOUNTS INCLUDED ON RETURN - OTHER

DEPRECIATION EXPENSE \$ 184,377

PRIOR YEAR ENCUMBERED EXPENSES \$ 55,782

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990)

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Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
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FORM 990 - ORGANIZATION'S MISSION

DEDICATED TO MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY THROUGH COMPREHENSIVE
CHILD AND FAMILY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES. OUR MISSION IS TO PROVIDE ALL
CHILDREN WITH DIVERSE, NURTURING EXPERIENCES, A STRONG FOUNDATION FOR
DEVELOPMENTAL GROWTH AND OPPORTUNITIES TO ACHIEVE SCHOOL READINESS. WE
STRIVE TO UNDERSTAND AND EMPOWER FAMILIES TO TAKE AN ACTIVE ROLE IN THEIR
CHILD'S DEVELOPMENT AND TO REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL.

FORM 990 - ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

IN-KIND RENT - \$558,790

IN-KIND MATERIALS - \$36,230

IN-KIND SERVICES - \$445,226

FORM 990, PART I, LINE 6

5,181 VOLUNTEER HOURS VALUED AT \$152,262 WERE INCLUDED WITH IN-KIND
CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENSES REPORTED ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE
CURRENT FISCAL YEAR. VOLUNTEER SERVICES ARE VALUED AT THE
AGENCY PAY SCALE FOR LIKE SKILLS.

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4A - FIRST ACCOMPLISHMENT

HEAD START AND EARLY HEAD START PROGRAMS SERVE CHILDREN FROM BIRTH TO AGE
5. THESE PROGRAMS SPECIALIZE IN A COMPREHENSIVE FAMILY APPROACH TO EARLY
CHILDHOOD EDUCATION WITH AN EMPHASIS ON SCHOOL READINESS. OUR PROGRAM
SERVES AROUND 375 CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES EACH YEAR. HEAD START IS A
MULTI-GENERATIONAL PROGRAM, SERVING LOW INCOME OR OTHERWISE AT-RISK

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CHILDREN, PREGNANT WOMEN, AND FAMILIES FROM A DIVERSE VARIETY OF CULTURES AND BACKGROUNDS. HEAD START AGENCIES ARE MANDATED TO REDUCE THE IMPACT OF RISK FACTORS BY PROVIDING HEALTHY CHILD DEVELOPMENT SERVICES TO INCLUDE EDUCATION, FAMILY SUPPORTS, HEALTH, NUTRITION AND REFERRALS TO COMMUNITY SERVICES. STRENGTHENING FAMILIES AS THE PRIMARY NURTURERS OF THEIR CHILDREN IS A HALLMARK OBJECTIVE OF THE HEAD START PROGRAM. PERFORMANCE STANDARDS REQUIRE A HIGH STANDARD OF CARE AND OVERALL CULTURE OF CONTINUOUS QUALITY IMPROVEMENT. CLASSROOM TEACHERS VISIT FAMILIES IN THEIR HOMES TWICE PER SCHOOL YEAR. EVERY FAMILY IS ALSO ASSIGNED A FAMILY ADVOCATE TO HELP THEM IDENTIFY AND REACH GOALS RELATED TO PROVIDING A SAFE AND NURTURING HOME ENVIRONMENT. FAMILIES ARE LINKED TO ANY COMMUNITY RESOURCES THAT MAY BE NECESSARY TO MAKE THIS POSSIBLE.

RESEARCH HAS SHOWN THAT CHILDREN MAKE SIGNIFICANT INCREASES IN THEIR SCHOOL READINESS SCORES WITH INCREASED TIME IN A STRUCTURED CLASSROOM SETTING. DURING THIS FISCAL YEAR, THE AGENCY APPLIED AND WAS APPROVED FOR A "CHANGE IN SCOPE" FROM THE OFFICE OF HEAD START. THIS APPROVAL ALLOWED US TO MEET OUR LONG-TIME GOAL OF PROVIDING FULL DAY SERVICES TO ALL OF OUR CLASSROOMS. TO CONTINUE TO RECEIVE OUR FUNDING, THE AGENCY IS REQUIRED TO RAISE A 25% MATCH TO ALL FEDERAL DOLLARS RECEIVED. AT OUR CURRENT FUNDING LEVEL, THE 25% EQUATES TO \$1,733,404 THROUGH INDIVIDUAL, COMPANY AND/OR FOUNDATION DONATIONS. FOR THIS REPORTING YEAR A 100% WAIVER WAS GRANTED BY THE AWARDED AGENCY. AS OUR AGENCY BEGAN TO WELCOME BACK IN PERSON VOLUNTEERING FOLLOWING THE PANDEMIC, WE ALSO BEGAN TO LOOK AT NEW AND CREATIVE WAYS TO INCREASE OUR IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS AS NO AUTOMATIC WAIVER WILL BE GRANTED IN THE COMING YEAR. CONTRIBUTIONS OF ANY SIZE ARE ALWAYS WELCOME AND ALLOW US TO REACH OUR REQUIRED MATCH AND ENABLE US TO REQUEST ADDITIONAL FUNDS IN THE FUTURE! WE HUMBLLY ASK FOR YOUR HELP TO CONTINUE

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SERVING THE NEEDIEST CHILDREN AND FAMILIES IN OUR COMMUNITY.

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FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4D - ALL OTHER ACCOMPLISHMENTS

MARYLAND STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PRE-K EXPANSION GRANT TO EXPAND FREE ACCESS TO PUBLIC PREKINDERGARTEN FOR THREE AND FOUR-YEAR-OLDS FROM FAMILIES WITH HOUSEHOLD INCOMES UP TO 300 PERCENT OF FEDERAL POVERTY GUIDELINES.

GAMING COMMISSION GRANT TO PARTNER WITH ACHIEVING TRUE SELF TO PROVIDE SOCIAL GROUPS TO OUR MOST VULNERABLE CHILDREN AND PRODUCE LEARNING VIDEOS FOR FAMILIES AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS TO VIEW.

MARYLAND STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION CHILDCARE PROVIDER AND EMPLOYEE RETENTION BONUS PROGRAM PROVIDED A RETENTION BONUS TO EMPLOYEES WHO MET SPECIFIC HIRE DATE AND CREDENTIALING CRITERIA.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 11B - ORGANIZATION'S PROCESS TO REVIEW FORM 990 UPON RECEIPT OF A DRAFT FORM 990 FROM THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE, AND THE FINANCE COMMITTEE PERFORM A DETAILED REVIEW OF THE DRAFT. THE ENTIRE REPORT IS READ FOR TYPOGRAPHICAL ERRORS AND ALL FINANCIAL DATA IS TRACED BACK AND CONFIRMED TO THE ACCOUNTING RECORDS AND/OR INTERNAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF HSWC, INC. ANY QUESTIONS OR ERRORS NOTED AS PART OF THIS REVIEW SHALL BE COMMUNICATED TO THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR IN A TIMELY MANNER AND RESOLVED TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE, AND THE FINANCE COMMITTEE. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WILL BE PRESENTED WITH THE DRAFT FORM 990 PRIOR TO IT BEING FINALIZED AND SUBMITTED.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 12C - ENFORCEMENT OF CONFLICTS POLICY

HSWC, INC. REQUIRES THAT ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, THE

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, MEMBERS OF MANAGEMENT, AND EMPLOYEES WITH PURCHASING AND/OR HIRING RESPONSIBILITIES OR AUTHORITY SHALL INFORM IN WRITING, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, OF ALL REPORTABLE CONFLICTS. MONITORING OCCURS ON AN ON-GOING BASIS THROUGH THE REVIEW AND APPROVAL PROCESS AND DURING THE ANNUAL HEAD START SELF ASSESSMENT.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 15A - COMPENSATION PROCESS FOR TOP OFFICIAL IN NOVEMBER 2022, THE ORGANIZATION CONTRACTED WITH AN INDEPENDENT CONSULTANT TO PROVIDE UPDATED SALARY INFORMATION AND ANALYSIS FOR ALL JOB DESCRIPTIONS USING A LEADING COMPENSATION SOFTWARE AND DATA COMPANY WHICH WAS DEVELOPED TO HELP PEOPLE AND EMPLOYERS OBTAIN ACCURATE, REAL-TIME INFORMATION ON THE JOB MARKET COMPENSATION.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 15B - COMPENSATION PROCESS FOR OFFICERS
 SAME DESCRIPTION AS FOR LINE 15A

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 19 - GOVERNING DOCUMENTS DISCLOSURE EXPLANATION
 HSWC, INC. MAKES AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION AGENCY GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC. ANYONE APPEARING IN PERSON AT THE OFFICE OF HSWC, INC. DURING NORMAL WORKING HOURS MAKING A REQUEST TO INSPECT THE FORMS ARE GRANTED ACCESS TO A FILE COPY OF THE FORMS. THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR MAINTAINING THESE COPIES AND FOR MAKING THEM AVAILABLE TO ALL REQUESTERS. ALL WRITTEN REQUESTS FOR COPIES RECEIVED BY HSWC, INC. REQUIRE PREPAYMENT OF ALL COPYING AND SHIPPING CHARGES AND WILL BE SHIPPED TO REQUESTERS WITHIN 30 DAYS.

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FORM 990, PART XI, LINE 9 - OTHER CHANGES IN NET ASSETS EXPLANATION

PY ENCUMBERED EXPENSES INCLUDED ON CY 990	\$ 55,782
CY ENCUMBERED EXPENSES NOT INCLUDED ON 990	\$ -231,876
TOTAL	\$ -176,094

FORM 990, PART XII - ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

FOR FINANCIAL STATEMENT REPORTING, THE ORGANIZATION'S POLICY IS TO EXPENSE THE COST OF EQUIPMENT AND BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS IN THE YEAR OF ACQUISITION, AND LAND AND BUILDINGS THAT ARE FINANCED ARE REPORTED AT COST ON THE BALANCE SHEET WITH NO ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION REPORTED. THE ORGANIZATION ALSO INCLUDES EXPENSES THAT ARE ENCUMBERED BUT NOT YET RECEIVED AT YEAR END IN CURRENT YEAR EXPENSES.

THE 990 IS REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE TO GAAP FINANCIAL STATEMENT REPORTING TO BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH IRS REGULATIONS. CURRENT YEAR FIXED ASSET PURCHASES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$130,929 INCLUDED AS OPERATING EXPENSES ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS WERE CAPITALIZED FOR 990 PURPOSES AND NOT INCLUDED AS FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES ON PART IX OF THE FORM 990, RATHER, THESE EXPENDITURES ARE INCLUDED IN FIXED ASSETS ON PART X COLUMN B LINES 10A AND 10B.

DEPRECIATION EXPENSE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$184,376 NOT REPORTED ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS WAS INCLUDED AS A FUNCTIONAL EXPENSE ON PART IX. CURRENT YEAR ENCUMBERED EXPENSES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$231,876 ARE INCLUDED IN OPERATING EXPENSES ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE CURRENT YEAR, BUT NOT INCLUDED ON PART IX, STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES; RATHER THIS IS REPORTED AS "OTHER CHANGES IN NET ASSETS" ON PART XI, LINE 9.

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PRIOR YEAR ENCUMBERED EXPENSES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$55,782 ARE NOT INCLUDED IN OPERATING EXPENSES ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR CURRENT YEAR, BUT ARE INCLUDED ON PART IX, STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES; THIS IS REPORTED AS "OTHER CHANGES IN NET ASSETS" ON PART XI, LINE 9.

SEE SCHEDULE D, PART XI FOR THE RECONCILIATION OF EXPENSES PER AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS WITH EXPENSES PER RETURN.