

Form **990-EZ**
 Department of the Treasury
 Internal Revenue Service

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

▶ **Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.**
 ▶ **Information about Form 990-EZ and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990ez.**

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2017
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A For the 2017 calendar year, or tax year beginning 01-01-2017, and ending 12-31-2017

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

C Name of organization
 PARAMUS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
 PO BOX 325

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
 PARAMUS, NJ 076520325

D Employer identification number
 22-1590930

E Telephone number
 (201) 261-3344

F Group Exemption Number ▶

G Accounting Method Cash Accrual Other (specify) ▶

H Check if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)

I Website: ▶ WWW.PARAMUSCHAMBER.ORG

J Tax-exempt status (check only one) - 501(c)(3) 501(c)(6) (insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527

K Form of organization Corporation Trust Association Other

L Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets (Part II, column (B) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ. ▶ \$ 66,329

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (see the instructions for Part I)
 Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I.

Revenue		Expenses		Net Assets	
1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)
2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	11	Benefits paid to or for members	19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)
3	Membership dues and assessments	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)
4	Investment income	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20
5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance		
5b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping		
5c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	16	Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)		
6	Gaming and fundraising events	17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16		
6a	Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)				
6b	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000)				
6c	Less direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events				
6d	Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)				
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances				
7b	Less cost of goods sold				
7c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)				
8	Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)				
9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8				

Part II Balance Sheets (see the instructions for Part II)
 Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II

	(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	10,620	22	1,884
23 Land and buildings		23	
24 Other assets (describe in Schedule O)	1,407	24	1,800
25 Total assets	12,027	25	3,684
26 Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O).	18,758	26	15,006
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	-6,731	27	-11,322

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see the instructions for Part III)
 Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose?
 THE GREATER PARAMUS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IS ORGANIZED FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADVANCING THE COMMERCIAL, PROFESSIONAL, INDUSTRIAL AND CIVIC INTERESTS OF THE BOROUGH OF PARAMUS AND SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES THE CHAMBER SHALL BE NON-PARTISAN AND NON-SECTARIAN AND SHALL TAKE NO PART IN, NOR LEND ITS SUPPORT TO, THE ELECTION OR APPOINTMENT OF ANY CANDIDATE FOR PUBLIC OFFICE ANY REPUTABLE PERSON, ASSOCIATION, CORPORATION, OR PARTNERSHIP INTERESTED IN THE WELFARE OF THE BOROUGH OF PARAMUS AND THE GREATER PARAMUS AREA SHALL BE ELIGIBLE FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE GREATER PARAMUS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title

Expenses
 (Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations, optional for others)

28 See Additional Data Table

(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here **28a**

29 See Additional Data Table **29a**

(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here **30a**

30

(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here **31a**

31 Other program services (describe in Schedule O)

(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here **31a**

32 Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a) **32** 2,220

Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (list each one even if not compensated — see the instructions for Part IV)
 Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part IV.

(a) Name and title	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC) (if not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
MICHELLE MCGIVNEY-SPIRIDAKIS	3 00	0	0	0
CO-CHAIRPERSON				
DONNA PERKOSKY	3 00	0	0	0
CO-CHAIRPERSON				
FREDERICK ROHDIECK	35 00	22,895	0	0
PRESIDENT				
SUSAN WHITE	1 00	0	0	0
TREASURER				
TERI DUDA	1 00	0	0	0
VP LEGISLATION/GOVERNMENT				
MARC PASSARELLI	1 00	0	0	0
VP MARKETING				
GARY POPLASKI	1 00	0	0	0
VP MEMBERSHIP				
ELAINE M WINTER	1 00	0	0	0
VP PROGRAMS/EDUCATION				
JESSICA R WITMER ESQ	1 00	0	0	0
LEGAL COUNCIL				
MINNIE ADAMS	1 00	0	0	0
DIRECTOR				
WILLIAM BRIEDEN	1 00	0	0	0
DIRECTOR				
MICHAEL EPSTEIN	1 00	0	0	0
DIRECTOR				

Part V Other Information (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in the instructions for Part V) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V

Table with columns for question number, question text, and Yes/No response columns. Rows include questions 33 through 45b regarding organizational activities, financials, and compliance.

46 Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I 46 No

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations only
All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 47-49b and 52, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51. Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI

47 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 47
48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E 48
49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? 49a
b If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization? 49b

Table with 5 columns: (a) Name and title of each employee, (b) Average hours per week devoted to position, (c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC), (d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation, (e) Estimated amount of other compensation.

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000

51 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None "

Table with 3 columns: (a) Name and business address of each independent contractor, (b) Type of service, (c) Compensation.

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000. 0

52 Did the organization complete Schedule A? NOTE. All Section 501(c)(3) organizations must attach a completed Schedule A Yes No

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: 2018-05-29
FRED ROHDIECK PRESIDENT
Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer Use Only Print/Type preparer's name: SUSAN WHITE Preparer's signature Date Check if self-employed PTIN: P00124176
Firm's name: SMOLIN LUPIN & CO PA Firm's EIN: 22-2258733
Firm's address: 165 PASSAIC AVENUE FAIRFIELD, NJ 07004 Phone no: (973) 439-7200

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

Additional Data

Software ID:
Software Version:
EIN: 22-1590930
Name: PARAMUS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Form 990EZ, Part III - Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title.	Expenses (Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations; optional for others.)	
<p>28 INTER CHAMBER CONSORTIUM NETWORKING AND BUSINESS CARD EXCHANGE EVENTS WITH 18 OTHER LOCAL CHAMBERS TO PROMOTE MEMBER BUSINESSES AND MEETINGS TO UPDATE MEMBERS AND DISCUSS LOCAL BUSINESS ISSUES</p> <p>(Grants \$ 0) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here . . . <input type="checkbox"/></p>	28a	2,220

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**TY 2017 Transfers Personal Benefits
Contracts Declaration**

Name: PARAMUS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

EIN: 22-1590930

Declaration: THE ORGANIZATION DID NOT, DURING THE YEAR, RECEIVE ANY FUNDS, DIRECTLY,OR INDIRECTLY, TO PAY PREMIUMS ON A PERSONAL BENEFIT CONTRACT.THE ORGANIZATION, DID NOT, DURING THE YEAR, PAY ANY PREMIUMS, DIRECTLY,OR INDIRECTLY, ON A PERSONAL BENEFIT CONTRACT.

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

**Supplemental Information Regarding
Fundraising or Gaming Activities**

OMB No 1545-0047

2017

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

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

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

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

- 1** Indicate whether the organization raised funds through any of the following activities. Check all that apply.
- a** Mail solicitations
 - b** Internet and email solicitations
 - c** Phone solicitations
 - d** In-person solicitations
 - e** Solicitation of non-government grants
 - f** Solicitation of government grants
 - g** Special fundraising events
- 2a** Did the organization have a written or oral agreement with any individual (including officers, directors, trustees or key employees listed in Form 990, Part VII) or entity in connection with professional fundraising services? Yes No
- b** If "Yes," list the ten highest paid individuals or entities (fundraisers) pursuant to agreements under which the fundraiser is to be compensated at least \$5,000 by the organization

(i) Name and address of individual or entity (fundraiser)	(ii) Activity	(iii) Did fundraiser have custody or control of contributions?		(iv) Gross receipts from activity	(v) Amount paid to (or retained by) fundraiser listed in col (i)	(vi) Amount paid to (or retained by) organization
		Yes	No			
1						
2						
3						
4						
5						
6						
7						
8						
9						
10						
Total						

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

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

Revenue		(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other events	(d)
		GOLF OUTING (event type)	HOLIDAY DINNER (event type)	(total number)	Total events (add col (a) through col (c))
1	Gross receipts	17,734	3,850		21,584
2	Less Contributions				
3	Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)	17,734	3,850		21,584
Direct Expenses	4 Cash prizes				
	5 Noncash prizes				
	6 Rent/facility costs				
	7 Food and beverages				
	8 Entertainment				
	9 Other direct expenses	7,919	2,676		10,595
10	Direct expense summary Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d) ▶				10,595
11	Net income summary Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d) ▶				10,989

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

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

9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization conducts gaming activities _____

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

b If "No," explain _____

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

b If "Yes," explain _____

- 11** Does the organization conduct gaming activities with nonmembers? Yes No
- 12** Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming? Yes No
- 13** Indicate the percentage of gaming activity conducted in

a	The organization's facility	%
b	An outside facility	%

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

Name ▶
 Address ▶

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

- b** If "Yes," enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization ▶ \$ _____ and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party ▶ \$ _____
- c** If "Yes," enter name and address of the third party

Name ▶
 Address ▶

16 Gaming manager information

Name ▶
 Gaming manager compensation ▶ \$
 Description of services provided ▶

Director/officer Employee Independent contractor

17 Mandatory distributions

- a** Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license? Yes No
- b** Enter the amount of distributions required under state law distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year ▶ \$ _____

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

Return Reference	Explanation
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SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

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.

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990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990-EZ, PART I, LINE 14	DESCRIPTION DEPRECIATION AMOUNT 1,007 DESCRIPTION OTHER EXPENSES AMOUNT 9,600 TOTAL TO FORM 990-EZ, LINE 14 10,607

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990-EZ, PART I, LINE 16 - OTHER EXPENSES	DESCRIPTION MEMBER PROGRAMS AND EVENTS AMOUNT 187 DESCRIPTION PAYROLL TAXES AMOUNT 2,752 DESCRIPTION OFFICE EXPENSES AMOUNT 3,092 DESCRIPTION TEMPORARY HELP AMOUNT 6,795 DESCRIPTION INSURANCE AMOUNT 1,929 DESCRIPTION EQUIPMENT RENTAL AND MAINTENANCE AMOUNT 5,239 DESCRIPTION CREDIT CARD MERCHANT FEES AND OTHER BANK FEES AMOUNT 1,769 DESCRIPTION BOOKKEEPING FEES AMOUNT 690 DESCRIPTION ADVERTISING AND PROMOTION AMOUNT 350 DESCRIPTION INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AMOUNT 1,874 DESCRIPTION MISCELLANEOUS AMOUNT 391 DESCRIPTION PAYROLL COSTS AMOUNT 237 TOTAL TO FORM 990-EZ, LINE 16 25,305

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990-EZ, PART II, LINE 24 - OTHER ASSETS	DESCRIPTION ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE BEG OF YEAR AMOUNT 400 END OF YEAR AMOUNT 200 DESCRIPTION SECURITY DEPOSITS BEG OF YEAR AMOUNT 0 END OF YEAR AMOUNT 1,600 DESCRIPTION OTHER DEPRECIABLE ASSETS BEG OF YEAR AMOUNT 1,007 END OF YEAR AMOUNT 0

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990-EZ, PART II, LINE 26 - OTHER LIABILITIES	DESCRIPTION ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED EXPENSES BEG OF YEAR AMOUNT 1,467 END OF YEAR AMOUNT 2,086 DESCRIPTION DEFERRED REVENUE BEG OF YEAR AMOUNT 17,291 END OF YEAR AMOUNT 12,920