

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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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: Arkansas Community Organizations
Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address): 2101 S Main Street
Room/suite:
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code: Little Rock, AR 72206

D Employer identification number: 27-1423559
E Telephone number:
F Group Exemption Number: ▶

G Accounting Method: Cash Accrual Other (specify) ▶
I Website: ▶
J Tax-exempt status (check only one) - 501(c)(3) 501(c)(4) ◀ (insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527

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

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. ▶ \$ 56,043

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	
1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received 30,810
2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts
3	Membership dues and assessments 21,687
4	Investment income
5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory 5a
b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses 5b
5c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a) 5c
6	Gaming and fundraising events
a	Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000) 6a
b	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) 6b 1,440
c	Less direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events 6c
d	Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c) 6d 1,440
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances 7a
b	Less cost of goods sold 7b
7c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a) 7c
8	Other revenue (describe in Schedule O) 8 2,106
9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8 9 56,043
Expenses	
10	Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O) 10
11	Benefits paid to or for members 11
12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits 12 4,353
13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors 13 3,922
14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance 14 9,193
15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping 15 449
16	Other expenses (describe in Schedule O) 16 6,578
17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16 17 24,495
18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9) 18 31,548
Net Assets	
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) 19 -33,295
20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O) 20
21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 18 through 20 21 -1,747

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	627	22	22,660
23 Land and buildings	0	23	0
24 Other assets (describe in Schedule O)	0	24	10,115
25 Total assets	627	25	32,775
26 Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O).	33,922	26	34,522
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	-33,295	27	-1,747

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

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

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose?
promote social & economic justice & welf

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

28 See Additional Data Table			
(Grants \$)	If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	28a	
29		29a	
(Grants \$)	If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>		
30		30a	
(Grants \$)	If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>		
31 Other program services (describe in Schedule O)			
(Grants \$)	If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	31a	
32 Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a)		32	24,495

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
Donna Massey President	10 00	0	0	0
Marsha Poole Secretary	10 00	0	0	0
Gloria Smith Treasurer	10 00	0	0	0
Robert Daugherty Board Member	6 00	0	0	0
Ricky Jackson Board Member	6 00	0	0	0
Rosetta Madison Board Member	5 00	0	0	0

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 foreign accounts.

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.

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: Neil Sealy Director, Date: 2018-08-23

Paid Preparer Use Only Print/Type preparer's name: Janis Brandon-Dougan, Preparer's signature, Date: 2018-08-23, Check self-employed, PTIN: P00468625, Firm's name: Brandon Accounting & Tax Svc LLC, Firm's address: 507 N University Avenue, Little Rock, AR 72205, Firm's EIN, Phone no: (501) 664-3111

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

Additional Data

Software ID:

Software Version:

EIN: 27-1423559

Name: Arkansas Community Organizations

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 Education & advocacy around policies affecting social security & medicare that included community forums & press events education & advocacy for reforms to the Toxic Substances Ac (Grants \$)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">If this amount includes foreign grants, check here . . . ► <input type="checkbox"/></p>	28a	24,495

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

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

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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

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Arkansas Community Organizations

Employer identification number

27-1423559

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
Description of other revenue Part I line 8	Description Amount Rent from ACI 1,570 Other 536

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Return Reference	Explanation
Description of other expenses Part I line 16	<p>Description Amount</p> <p>Bank Service Charges 1,472 Convention 322 Database 319 Insurance 489 Mileage 118 Payroll processing fees 473 Employer portion payroll taxes 621 Supplies 11 Travel 2,424 Website and internet 329</p>

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
Description of other assets Part II line 24	Category Beginning of Year End of Year Due from ACI 0 10,115

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Return Reference	Explanation
Description of total liabilities Part II line 26	Category Beginning of Year End of Year Due to ACI 8,622 9,222 Note Payable 25,300 25,300