

2019

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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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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

A For the 2019 calendar year, or tax year beginning 2019, and ending 20

B Check if applicable:

- X Address change
Name change
Initial return
Final return/terminated return
Amended return
Application pending

C Name of organization: A BETTER CHICAGO
D Employer identification number: 27-4499625
E Telephone number: (312) 674-7066
G Gross receipts \$: 9,055,130.
F Name and address of principal officer: ELIZABETH F. SWANSON, CEO, 200 W. MADISON ST., 3RD FLOOR, CHICAGO, IL 60606

I Tax-exempt status: X 501(c)(3)
J Website: ABETTERCHICAGO.ORG
K Form of organization: X Corporation
L Year of formation: 2011
M State of legal domicile: IL

Part I Summary

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: A BETTER CHICAGO IS CHANGING HOW CHICAGO FIGHTS POVERTY BY INVESTING IN BOLD IDEAS THAT CREATE OPPORTUNITY FOR OUR YOUTH
2 Check this box if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.
3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a) 3 18.
4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b) 4 17.
5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2019 (Part V, line 2a) 5 17.
6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary) 6 119.
7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12 7a 0.
7b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 39 7b

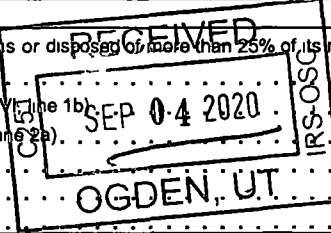


Table with columns: Revenue, Expenses, Net Assets or Fund Balances. Rows include: 8 Contributions and grants, 9 Program service revenue, 10 Investment income, 11 Other revenue, 12 Total revenue, 13 Grants and similar amounts paid, 14 Benefits paid to or for members, 15 Salaries, other compensation, 16a Professional fundraising fees, 16b Total fundraising expenses, 17 Other expenses, 18 Total expenses, 19 Revenue less expenses, 20 Total assets, 21 Total liabilities, 22 Net assets or fund balances.

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: Elizabeth Swanson, CEO. Date: 8/19/2020 | 4:28 PM CDT.

Paid Preparer Use Only: Print/Type preparer's name: KEVIN HODGES. Preparer's signature: [Signature]. Date: 08/12/2020. Check self-employed. PTIN: P00742715. Firm's name: MILLER, COOPER & CO., LTD. Firm's EIN: 36-2897372. Firm's address: 1751 LAKE COOK ROAD, SUITE 400 DEERFIELD, IL 60015. Phone no: 847-205-5000.

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

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**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:  
A BETTER CHICAGO IS CHANGING HOW CHICAGO FIGHTS  
POVERTY BY INVESTING IN BOLD IDEAS THAT CREATE OPPORTUNITY FOR OUR  
YOUTH.

**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: 611600 ) (Expenses \$ 4,271,087 including grants of \$ 3,231,582. ) (Revenue \$ )  
IN LINE WITH THE ORGANIZATION'S MISSION AND VALUES, A BETTER  
CHICAGO PROVIDED FINANCIAL GRANTS TO ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE  
EQUIPPING PEOPLE WITH EDUCATION, SKILLS AND CREDENTIALS TO EMPOWER  
THEM TO REACH THEIR POTENTIAL.

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

**4c** (Code: ) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

**4d** Other program services (Describe on Schedule O )  
(Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

**4e** Total program service expenses ▶ 4,271,087.

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

Table with 3 columns: Question Number, Yes, No. Contains 21 main questions and sub-questions (a-f) regarding organizational requirements and financial reporting.

**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? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III . . . . .		X
23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VIII, 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule J. . . . .	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? If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a . . . . .		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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II . . . . .		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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III . . . . .		X
28 Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions, for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions):		
a A current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, or substantial contributor? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV . . . . .		X
b A family member of any individual described in line 28a? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV . . . . .		X
c A 35% controlled entity of one or more individuals and/or organizations described in lines 28a or 28b? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV . . . . .		X
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M . . . . .	X	
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M . . . . .		X
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I . . . . .		X
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II . . . . .		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? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I . . . . .		X
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1 . . . . .		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)? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2 . . . . .		
36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2 . . . . .		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? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI . . . . .		X
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note: All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O.	X	

**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 . . . . .		
b Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in 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? . . . . .		

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance (continued)

Table with columns for question number, description, and Yes/No checkboxes. Includes questions 2a through 16 regarding employee reporting, tax returns, gross income, foreign accounts, prohibited transactions, and charitable contributions.

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 [X]

Section A. Governing Body and Management

Table with columns for question number, description, and Yes/No checkboxes. Includes questions 1a through 9 regarding governing body members, relationships, and documentation.

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

Table with columns for question number, description, and Yes/No checkboxes. Includes questions 10a through 16b regarding local chapters, conflict of interest, whistleblower policies, and joint ventures.

Section C. Disclosure

- 17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed IL,
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.
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

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

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

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

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

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, 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 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)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) DOUG SCOTT PRESIDENT	50.00 0.			X			209,604.	0.	12,344.	
(2) ELIZABETH SWANSON CEO	50.00 0.			X			200,652.	0.	9,645.	
(3) KELLY JONES CHIEF EXTERNAL RELATIONS OFF.	50.00 0.			X			175,480.	0.	11,344.	
(4) REBECCA ALTMAN DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT	50.00 0.					X	101,499.	0.	9,094.	
(5) EVANGELINE BARTON JOYCE DIRECTOR OF PORTFOLIO IMPACT	50.00 0.					X	101,042.	0.	9,094.	
(6) WILLIAM V. KREHBIEL CHAIRMAN	50.00 0.	X					0.	0.	2,438.	
(7) TRISHA ROONEY DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X					0.	0.	0.	
(8) MICHAEL COLLINS DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X					0.	0.	0.	
(9) JACK KELLER DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X					0.	0.	0.	
(10) TAYLOR O'MALLEY DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X					0.	0.	0.	
(11) CHRISTIAN ZANN DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X					0.	0.	0.	
(12) TIMOTHY KNOWLES DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X					0.	0.	0.	
(13) WILLIAM CONWAY DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X					0.	0.	0.	
(14) SEAN BERKOWITZ DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	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 (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
( 15) TIMOTHY SCHWERTFEGER ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X					0.	0.	0.	
( 16) STEPHEN BEARD ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X					0.	0.	0.	
( 17) BECKY ELRAD ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X					0.	0.	0.	
( 18) CHRISTOPHER KEOGH ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X					0.	0.	0.	
( 19) JOHN GILLIGAN ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X					0.	0.	0.	
( 20) STEWART MATHER ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X					0.	0.	0.	
( 21) TRACY SCHWARTZ-WARD ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X					0.	0.	0.	
( 22) GINGER OSTRO ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X					0.	0.	0.	
( 23) RICARDO ESTRADA ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X					0.	0.	0.	
<b>1b Sub-total</b> . . . . .							788,277.	0.	53,959.	
<b>c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A</b> . . . . .							0.	0.	0.	
<b>d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)</b> . . . . .							788,277.	0.	53,959.	

**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 **▶** 5

	Yes	No
<b>3</b> Did the organization list any former officer, director, or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i> . . . . .		X
<b>4</b> For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i> . . . . .	X	
<b>5</b> Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i> . . . . .		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 in 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	
<b>Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts</b>	1a	Federated campaigns . . . . .	1a					
	b	Membership dues . . . . .	1b					
	c	Fundraising events . . . . .	1c					
	d	Related organizations . . . . .	1d					
	e	Government grants (contributions) . .	1e					
	f	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above .	1f	8,692,252.				
	g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f. . . . .	1g	\$ 130,376.				
	h	<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f . . . . . ▶		8,692,252				
	<b>Program Service Revenue</b>				Business Code			
2a								
b								
c								
d								
e								
f		All other program service revenue . . . . .						
g		<b>Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f . . . . . ▶			0.			
<b>Other Revenue</b>	3	Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts). . . . . ▶		123,794			123,794	
	4	Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds . ▶		0				
	5	Royalties . . . . . ▶		0				
	6a			(i) Real	(ii) Personal			
		6a	Gross rents . . . . .					
		6b	Less rental expenses					
	6c	Rental income or (loss)						
	d	Net rental income or (loss) . . . . . ▶		0				
	7a			(i) Securities	(ii) Other			
		7a	Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	239,084				
		7b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses . .	130,376				
	7c	Gain or (loss) . . . . .	108,708					
	d	Net gain or (loss) . . . . . ▶		108,708			108,708	
	8a							
		8a	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18 . . . . .	0				
		8b	Less direct expenses . . . . .	0.				
	c	Net income or (loss) from fundraising events. . . . . ▶		0				
9a								
	9a	Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19 . . . . .	0					
	9b	Less direct expenses . . . . .	0					
c	Net income or (loss) from gaming activities. . . . . ▶		0					
10a								
	10a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances . . . . .	0					
	10b	Less: cost of goods sold . . . . .	0					
c	Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory. . . . . ▶		0					
<b>Miscellaneous Revenue</b>				Business Code				
	11a							
	b							
	c							
	d	All other revenue . . . . .						
	e	<b>Total.</b> Add lines 11a-11d . . . . . ▶			0			
12	<b>Total revenue.</b> See instructions . . . . . ▶			8,924,754.			232,502	

**Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses**

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

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

<b>Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.</b>	(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 . . . . .	3,231,582.	3,231,582.		
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals See Part IV, line 22 . . . . .	0.			
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals See Part IV, lines 15 and 16 . . . . .	0.			
4 Benefits paid to or for members . . . . .	0.			
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees . . . . .	399,764.	399,764.		
6 Compensation not included above to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) . . . . .	0.			
7 Other salaries and wages . . . . .	925,463.	122,393.	284,772.	518,298.
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions) . . . . .	0.			
9 Other employee benefits . . . . .	106,544.	59,057.	19,577.	27,910.
10 Payroll taxes . . . . .	100,799.	39,245.	21,752.	39,802.
11 Fees for services (nonemployees)				
a Management . . . . .	0.			
b Legal . . . . .	0.			
c Accounting . . . . .	0.			
d Lobbying . . . . .	0.			
e Professional fundraising services See Part IV, line 17.	0.			
f Investment management fees . . . . .	0.			
9 Other (if line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O) . . . . .	474,533.	206,133.	92,236.	176,164.
12 Advertising and promotion . . . . .	64,614.	25,334.		39,280.
13 Office expenses . . . . .	0.			
14 Information technology . . . . .	0.			
15 Royalties . . . . .	0.			
16 Occupancy . . . . .	83,254.	46,147.	15,298.	21,809.
17 Travel . . . . .	14,873.	8,244.	2,733.	3,896.
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials . . . . .	0.			
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings . . . . .	0.			
20 Interest . . . . .	0.			
21 Payments to affiliates . . . . .	0.			
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization . . . . .	77,679.	43,058.	14,273.	20,348.
23 Insurance . . . . .	4,134.	2,291.	760.	1,083.
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 DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS . . . . .	515.	286.	95.	134.
b SOFTWARE . . . . .	63,953.	35,449.	11,751.	16,753.
c SUPPLIES . . . . .	9,859.	5,465.	1,811.	2,583.
d BUSINESS REGISTRATION . . . . .	30.		30.	
e All other expenses . . . . .	98,437.	46,639.	15,203.	36,595.
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	5,656,033.	4,271,087.	480,291.	904,655.
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) . . . . .	0.			

**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
<b>Assets</b>	<b>1</b> Cash - non-interest-bearing . . . . .	3,830,510.	<b>1</b>	8,211,292.
	<b>2</b> Savings and temporary cash investments. . . . .	3,245,591.	<b>2</b>	0.
	<b>3</b> Pledges and grants receivable, net . . . . .	2,732,093.	<b>3</b>	5,004,839.
	<b>4</b> Accounts receivable, net. . . . .	0.	<b>4</b>	0.
	<b>5</b> Loans and other receivables from 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 . . . . .	0.	<b>5</b>	0.
	<b>6</b> Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B). . . . .	0.	<b>6</b>	0.
	<b>7</b> Notes and loans receivable, net . . . . .	0.	<b>7</b>	0.
	<b>8</b> Inventories for sale or use . . . . .	0.	<b>8</b>	0.
	<b>9</b> Prepaid expenses and deferred charges . . . . .	61,096.	<b>9</b>	33,673.
	<b>10a</b> Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D . . . . .	<b>10a</b> 86,883.		
	<b>b</b> Less accumulated depreciation. . . . .	<b>10b</b> 78,343.	15,038.	<b>10c</b> 8,540.
	<b>11</b> Investments - publicly traded securities. . . . .	0.	<b>11</b>	0.
	<b>12</b> Investments - other securities. See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .	0.	<b>12</b>	0.
	<b>13</b> Investments - program-related See Part IV, line 11. . . . .	0.	<b>13</b>	0.
	<b>14</b> Intangible assets . . . . .	128,579.	<b>14</b>	76,582.
	<b>15</b> Other assets See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .	0.	<b>15</b>	0.
<b>16 Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 33) . . . . .	10,012,907.	<b>16</b>	13,334,926.	
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>17</b> Accounts payable and accrued expenses. . . . .	362,947.	<b>17</b>	171,192.
	<b>18</b> Grants payable . . . . .	717,947.	<b>18</b>	963,000.
	<b>19</b> Deferred revenue. . . . .	0.	<b>19</b>	0.
	<b>20</b> Tax-exempt bond liabilities. . . . .	0.	<b>20</b>	0.
	<b>21</b> Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D. . . . .	0.	<b>21</b>	0.
	<b>22</b> Loans and other 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 . . . . .	0.	<b>22</b>	0.
	<b>23</b> Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties . . . . .	0.	<b>23</b>	0.
	<b>24</b> Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties. . . . .	0.	<b>24</b>	0.
	<b>25</b> Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D . . . . .	0.	<b>25</b>	0.
	<b>26 Total liabilities.</b> Add lines 17 through 25. . . . .	1,080,894.	<b>26</b>	1,134,192.
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.</b>			
	<b>27</b> Net assets without donor restrictions . . . . .	6,671,319.	<b>27</b>	7,439,643.
	<b>28</b> Net assets with donor restrictions. . . . .	2,260,694.	<b>28</b>	4,761,091.
	<b>Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 29 through 33.</b>			
	<b>29</b> Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds . . . . .		<b>29</b>	
	<b>30</b> Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund. . . . .		<b>30</b>	
	<b>31</b> Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds. . . . .		<b>31</b>	
	<b>32 Total net assets or fund balances</b> . . . . .	8,932,013.	<b>32</b>	12,200,734.
<b>33 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances.</b> . . . . .	10,012,907.	<b>33</b>	13,334,926.	

**Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets**

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

<b>1</b>	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	<b>1</b>	8,924,754.
<b>2</b>	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	<b>2</b>	5,656,033.
<b>3</b>	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	<b>3</b>	3,268,721.
<b>4</b>	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))	<b>4</b>	8,932,013.
<b>5</b>	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	<b>5</b>	0.
<b>6</b>	Donated services and use of facilities	<b>6</b>	0.
<b>7</b>	Investment expenses	<b>7</b>	0.
<b>8</b>	Prior period adjustments	<b>8</b>	0.
<b>9</b>	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain on Schedule O)	<b>9</b>	0.
<b>10</b>	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 32, column (B))	<b>10</b>	12,200,734.

**Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting**

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

- 1** Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990  Cash  Accrual  Other \_\_\_\_\_  
If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O.
- 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:  
 Separate basis  Consolidated basis  Both consolidated and separate basis
- b** Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? . . . . .  
If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:  
 Separate basis  Consolidated basis  Both consolidated and separate basis
- c** If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? . . . . .  
If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain on Schedule O.
- 3a** As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133? . . . . .
- b** If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why on Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits . . .

	Yes	No
<b>2a</b>		X
<b>2b</b>	X	
<b>2c</b>	X	
<b>3a</b>		X
<b>3b</b>		

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

**Public Charity Status and Public Support**

OMB No 1545-0047

**2019**

Open to Public Inspection

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](http://www.irs.gov/Form990) for instructions and the latest information.

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization  
A BETTER CHICAGO

Employer identification number  
27-4499625

**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 or 990-EZ).)
- 3  A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**.
- 4  A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: \_\_\_\_\_
- 5  An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 6  A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v)**.
- 7  An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 8  A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 9  An 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 in 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 . . . . .

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(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-10 above (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
(A)						
(B)						
(C)						
(D)						
(E)						
<b>Total</b>						

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Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2019

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**Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**  
 (Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2015	(b) 2016	(c) 2017	(d) 2018	(e) 2019	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants") . . . . .	9,196,384.	4,236,285.	3,580,379.	6,343,080	8,692,252	32,048,380
<b>2</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf . . . . .						0
<b>3</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge . . . . .						0
<b>4 Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 3 . . . . .	9,196,384	4,236,285.	3,580,379.	6,343,080	8,692,252.	32,048,380.
<b>5</b> The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f). . . . .						11,304,870
<b>6 Public support.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4						20,743,510.

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2015	(b) 2016	(c) 2017	(d) 2018	(e) 2019	(f) Total
<b>7</b> Amounts from line 4. . . . .	9,196,384.	4,236,285.	3,580,379.	6,343,080	8,692,252.	32,048,380
<b>8</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources . . . . .	331	4,540	19,561	71,455.	123,794.	219,681.
<b>9</b> Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on . . . . .						0.
<b>10</b> Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI) . . . . .						0
<b>11 Total support.</b> Add lines 7 through 10 . . . . .						32,268,061.
<b>12</b> Gross receipts from related activities, etc (see instructions) . . . . .					<b>12</b>	123,200.
<b>13 First five years.</b> 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 <b>stop here</b> . . . . .						<input type="checkbox"/>

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

<b>14</b> Public support percentage for 2019 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f)). . . . .	<b>14</b>	64.29%
<b>15</b> Public support percentage from 2018 Schedule A, Part II, line 14 . . . . .	<b>15</b>	66.00%
<b>16a 33 1/3% support test - 2019.</b> If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and <b>stop here</b> . The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. . . . .		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b 33 1/3% support test - 2018.</b> 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 <b>stop here</b> . The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . .		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test - 2019.</b> 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 <b>stop here</b> . Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. . . . .		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test - 2018.</b> 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 <b>stop here</b> . Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . .		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>18 Private foundation.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions . . . . .		<input type="checkbox"/>

**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**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2015	(b) 2016	(c) 2017	(d) 2018	(e) 2019	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
<b>2</b> Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose . . . . .						
<b>3</b> Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513 . . . . .						
<b>4</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf . . . . .						
<b>5</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge . . . . .						
<b>6</b> Total. Add lines 1 through 5. . . . .						
<b>7a</b> Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons . . . . .						
<b>b</b> Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year . . . . .						
<b>c</b> Add lines 7a and 7b. . . . .						
<b>8</b> Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6) . . . . .						

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2015	(b) 2016	(c) 2017	(d) 2018	(e) 2019	(f) Total
<b>9</b> Amounts from line 6. . . . .						
<b>10a</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources . . . . .						
<b>b</b> Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975 . . . . .						
<b>c</b> Add lines 10a and 10b . . . . .						
<b>11</b> Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on . . . . .						
<b>12</b> Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI) . . . . .						
<b>13</b> Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12) . . . . .						

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

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

<b>15</b> Public support percentage for 2019 (line 8, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f)) . . . . .	<b>15</b>	%
<b>16</b> Public support percentage from 2018 Schedule A, Part III, line 15. . . . .	<b>16</b>	%

**Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage**

<b>17</b> Investment income percentage for 2019 (line 10c, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f)). . . . .	<b>17</b>	%
<b>18</b> Investment income percentage from 2018 Schedule A, Part III, line 17 . . . . .	<b>18</b>	%

**19a** 33 1/3% support tests - 2019. 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 - 2018. 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 in line 12 on Part I. If you checked 12a of Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked 12b of Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked 12c of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked 12d of Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

**Section A. All Supporting Organizations**

		Yes	No
1	Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain.</i>		
2	Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).</i>		
3a	Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below.</i>		
3b	Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.</i>		
3c	Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.</i>		
4a	Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? <i>If "Yes," and if you checked 12a or 12b in Part I, answer (b) and (c) below.</i>		
4b	Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations.</i>		
4c	Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization used to ensure that all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes.</i>		
5a	Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in Part VI, including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed; (ii) the reasons for each such action, (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action, and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document).</i>		
5b	<b>Type I or Type II only.</b> Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?		
5c	<b>Substitutions only.</b> Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?		
6	Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (iii) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
7	Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (as defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</i>		
8	Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described in line 7? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</i>		
9a	Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
9b	Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined in line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
9c	Did a disqualified person (as defined in line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
10a	Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? <i>If "Yes," answer 10b below.</i>		
10b	Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? <i>(Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)</i>		



**Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)**

		Yes	No
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 in (b) and (c) below, the governing body of a supported organization?		
b	A family member of a person described in (a) above?		
c	A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (a) or (b) above? If "Yes" to a, b, or c, provide detail in Part VI.		

**Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations**

		Yes	No
1	Did the directors, trustees, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's 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 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		

**Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations**

		Yes	No
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)		

**Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations**

		Yes	No
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 in (2), 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.		

**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	<input type="checkbox"/> The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete line 2 below		
b	<input type="checkbox"/> The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete line 3 below		
c	<input type="checkbox"/> The organization supported a governmental entity Describe in Part VI how you supported a government entity (see instructions)		
2	Activities Test. Answer (a) and (b) 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 in (a) 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 (a) and (b) 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? 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.		

**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	<b>Adjusted Net Income</b> (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	<b>Total</b> (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d	
e <b>Discount</b> 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 1-1/2% 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 0.35	6	
7	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7	
8	<b>Minimum Asset Amount</b> (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 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	<b>Distributable Amount.</b> 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	
2 Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	
3 Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	
4 Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	
5 Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required)	
6 Other distributions (describe in Part VI). See instructions.	
7 <b>Total annual distributions.</b> Add lines 1 through 6.	
8 Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI). See instructions	
9 Distributable amount for 2019 from Section C, line 6	
10 Line 8 amount divided by line 9 amount	

Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2019	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2019
1 Distributable amount for 2019 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2019 (reasonable cause required - explain in Part VI). See instructions.			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2019			
a From 2014 . . . . .			
b From 2015 . . . . .			
c From 2016 . . . . .			
d From 2017 . . . . .			
e From 2018 . . . . .			
f <b>Total</b> of lines 3a through e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2019 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2014 not applied (see instructions)			
j <b>Remainder</b> Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f.			
4 Distributions for 2019 from Section D, line 7 \$			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b Applied to 2019 distributable amount			
c <b>Remainder.</b> Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4.			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2019, 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 2019 Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1 For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.			
7 <b>Excess distributions carryover to 2020.</b> Add lines 3j and 4c.			
8 Breakdown of line 7:			
a Excess from 2015 . . . .			
b Excess from 2016 . . . .			
c Excess from 2017 . . . .			
d Excess from 2018 . . . .			
e Excess from 2019 . . . .			

SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

Supplemental Financial Statements

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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.

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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 3 columns: Line number, Description, (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Includes questions 1-6 regarding donor advised funds.

Part II Conservation Easements.

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

Table with 3 columns: Line number, Description, Held at the End of the Tax Year. Includes questions 1-9 regarding 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 3 columns: Line number, Description, Amount. Includes questions 1a, 1b, 2a, 2b regarding art and historical treasures.

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**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    |
|--|-----------|
| <b>c</b> Beginning balance . . . . .             | <b>1c</b> |
| <b>d</b> Additions during the year . . . . .     | <b>1d</b> |
| <b>e</b> Distributions during the year . . . . . | <b>1e</b> |
| <b>f</b> Ending balance . . . . .                | <b>1f</b> |
- 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) Pnor year | (c) Two years back | (d) Three years back | (e) Four years back |
|---|------------------|---------------|--------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| <b>1a</b> Beginning of year balance . . . . .                     |                  |               |                    |                      |                     |
| <b>b</b> Contributions . . . . .                                  |                  |               |                    |                      |                     |
| <b>c</b> Net investment earnings, gains, and losses . . . . .     |                  |               |                    |                      |                     |
| <b>d</b> Grants or scholarships . . . . .                         |                  |               |                    |                      |                     |
| <b>e</b> Other expenditures for facilities and programs . . . . . |                  |               |                    |                      |                     |
| <b>f</b> Administrative expenses . . . . .                        |                  |               |                    |                      |                     |
| <b>g</b> End of year balance . . . . .                            |                  |               |                    |                      |                     |
- 2** Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:
- a** Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶ \_\_\_\_\_ %
  - b** Permanent endowment ▶ \_\_\_\_\_ %
  - c** 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:
- |  | Yes           | No |
|--|---------------|----|
| <b>(i)</b> Unrelated organizations . . . . . | <b>3a(i)</b>  |    |
| <b>(ii)</b> Related organizations . . . . .  | <b>3a(ii)</b> |    |
- b** If "Yes" on line 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? . . . . .  **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
<b>1a</b> Land . . . . .				
<b>b</b> Buildings . . . . .				
<b>c</b> Leasehold improvements . . . . .				
<b>d</b> Equipment . . . . .		86,883.	78,343.	8,540.
<b>e</b> Other . . . . .				
<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c.) . . . . .				8,540.

**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.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives . . . . .		
(2) Closely held equity interests . . . . .		
(3) Other _____		
(A) _____		
(B) _____		
(C) _____		
(D) _____		
(E) _____		
(F) _____		
(G) _____		
(H) _____		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12) . ▶		

**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.

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

**Part IX Other Assets.**

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

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

**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.

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

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

**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.

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements		1	9,288,527.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:			
	a Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a		
	b Donated services and use of facilities	2b	363,773.	
	c Recoveries of prior year grants	2c		
	d Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d		
	e Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	363,773.	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	8,924,754.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:			
	a Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	-	
	b Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b		
	c Add lines 4a and 4b	4c		
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)		5	8,924,754.

**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.

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements		1	6,019,806.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:			
	a Donated services and use of facilities	2a	363,773.	
	b Prior year adjustments	2b		
	c Other losses	2c		
	d Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d		
	e Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	363,773.	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	5,656,033.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:			
	a Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a		
	b Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b		
	c Add lines 4a and 4b	4c		
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)		5	5,656,033.

**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.

FIN 48 (ASC 740) FOOTNOTE

MANAGEMENT HAS ANALYZED THE TAX POSITIONS BY THE ORGANIZATION AND HAS

CONCLUDED THAT AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2019 AND 2018, THERE ARE NO UNCERTAIN

TAX POSITIONS TAKEN OR EXPECTED TO BE TAKEN THAT WOULD REQUIRE

RECOGNITION OF A LIABILITY OR DISCLOSURE IN THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

**SCHEDULE I  
(Form 990)**

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

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

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**Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance**

- 1 Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance?  Yes  No
- 2 Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States.  Yes  No

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

1 (a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section (if applicable)	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
(1) KIPP CHICAGO SCHOOLS 1945 S HALSTED STREET, SUITE 101	30-0135927	501(C)(3)	350,000.				COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
(2) ONE MILLION DEGREES 226 W. JACKSON #528 CHICAGO, IL 60606	42-1710230	501(C)(3)	237,086.				COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
(3) CHICAGO SCHOLARS 247 S STATE STREET STE 700	36-4117530	501(C)(3)	301,099.				COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
(4) GROW COMMUNITY 4550 N HERMITAGE AVE CHICAGO, IL 60640	81-1013904	501(C)(3)	50,000.				COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
(5) ONE GOAL 215 W. SUPERIOR, SUITE 700	27-1488618	501(C)(3)	330,000				COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
(6) INTRINSIC SCHOOLS 4517 NORTH ARTESIAN CHICAGO, IL 60625	45-5454261	501(C)(3)	150,000				COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
(7) BOTTOM LINE 500 AMORY STREET, SUITE 1	04-3351427	501(C)(3)	338,000.				COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
(8) COLLEGE POSSIBLE 215 W SUPERIOR 3RD FLOOR CHICAGO, IL 60654	41-1968798	501(C)(3)	188,000				COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
(9) NOBLE NETWORK OF CHARTER SCHOOLS 1 NORTH STATE STREET, FLOOR 7L	36-4241970	501(C)(3)	200,000				COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
(10) NLU PATHWAYS 122 S. MICHIGAN AVE CHICAGO, IL 60603	36-2167804	501(C)(3)	200,000				COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
(11) PITCH-IN 121 W WACKER DR, STE 619 CHICAGO, IL 60601	45-1256875	501(C)(3)	100,000				COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
(12) IMENTOR 30 BROAD STREET 9TH FLOOR	30-0105507	501(C)(3)	177,053.				COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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

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Schedule I (Form 990) (2019)



**SCHEDULE I  
(Form 990)**

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

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

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- 1 Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance?  Yes  No
- 2 Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States  Yes  No

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

1 (a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section (if applicable)	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
(1) BARR 11320 PARKSIDE TRAIL MAPLE GROVE, MN 55369	82-5480444	501 (C) (3)	150,000				COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
(2)							
(3)							
(4)							
(5)							
(6)							
(7)							
(8)							
(9)							
(10)							
(11)							
(12)							

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

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**Part III Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 22. Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

	(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of non-cash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of non-cash assistance
1						
2						
3						
4						
5						
6						
7						

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

**SCHEDULE J  
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Compensation Information**

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

- ▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23. ▶ Attach to Form 990.
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**Part I Questions Regarding Compensation**

**1a** Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel             | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments | <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account            | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (such as maid, chauffeur, chef) |

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

	Yes	No
1a		
1b		
2		
3		
4a		X
4b		X
4c		X
5a		X
5b		X
6a		X
6b		X
7		X
8		X
9		

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Schedule J (Form 990) 2019

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

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

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

(A) Name and Title	(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990																																																																																																																																																																																																																																				
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**SCHEDULE M  
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Noncash Contributions**

- ▶ Complete if the organizations answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 29 or 30.
- ▶ Attach to Form 990.
- ▶ Go to [www.irs.gov/Form990](http://www.irs.gov/Form990) for instructions and the latest information.

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Name of the organization  
A BETTER CHICAGO

Employer identification number  
27-4499625

**Part I Types of Property**

	(a) Check if applicable	(b) Number of contributions or items contributed	(c) Noncash contribution amounts reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g	(d) Method of determining noncash contribution amounts
1 Art - Works of art . . . . .				
2 Art - Historical treasures . . . . .				
3 Art - Fractional interests . . . . .				
4 Books and publications . . . . .				
5 Clothing and household goods . . . . .				
6 Cars and other vehicles. . . . .				
7 Boats and planes . . . . .				
8 Intellectual property . . . . .				
9 Securities - Publicly traded . . . . .	X	5.	130,376.	FMV
10 Securities - Closely held stock . . . . .				
11 Securities - Partnership, LLC, or trust interests . . . . .				
12 Securities - Miscellaneous . . . . .				
13 Qualified conservation contribution - Historic structures . . . . .				
14 Qualified conservation contribution - Other. . . . .				
15 Real estate - Residential . . . . .				
16 Real estate - Commercial . . . . .				
17 Real estate - Other . . . . .				
18 Collectibles . . . . .				
19 Food inventory . . . . .				
20 Drugs and medical supplies . . . . .				
21 Taxidermy. . . . .				
22 Historical artifacts. . . . .				
23 Scientific specimens . . . . .				
24 Archeological artifacts . . . . .				
25 Other ▶( _____ )				
26 Other ▶( _____ )				
27 Other ▶( _____ )				
28 Other ▶( _____ )				

29 Number of Forms 8283 received by the organization during the tax year for contributions for which the organization completed Form 8283, Part IV, Donee Acknowledgement . . . . . **29**

	Yes	No
30a During the year, did the organization receive by contribution any property reported in Part I, lines 1 through 28, that it must hold for at least three years from the date of the initial contribution, and which isn't required to be used for exempt purposes for the entire holding period? . . . . .		X
b If "Yes," describe the arrangement in Part II.		
31 Does the organization have a gift acceptance policy that requires the review of any nonstandard contributions? . . . . .		X
32a Does the organization hire or use third parties or related organizations to solicit, process, or sell noncash contributions? . . . . .		X
b If "Yes," describe in Part II.		
33 If the organization didn't report an amount in column (c) for a type of property for which column (a) is checked, describe in Part II.		

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Schedule M (Form 990) 2019

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

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

A BETTER CHICAGO

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

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

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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

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CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY, PART VII - SECTION B - LINE 12

NEW BOARD MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES RECEIVE AN ORIENTATION BOOKLET CONTAINING THE ORGANIZATION'S CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY. THE ORGANIZATION RELIES ON THE BOARD MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES TO NOTIFY THE ORGANIZATION OF ANY CONFLICTS OF INTEREST THAT MAY ARISE DURING THEIR TERM AS A BOARD MEMBER OR EMPLOYMENT.

990 REVIEW PROCESS, PART VI - SECTION B - LINE 11

THE COMPLETED 990 AND RESPECTIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE REVIEWED BY THE BOARD PRIOR TO SUBMISSION.

DETERMINATION OF COMPENSATION, PART VI - SECTION B - LINE 15

COMPENSATION FOR THE ORGANIZATION'S MANAGEMENT TEAM WAS DETERMINED BY THE CEO BASED ON MARKET ANALYSIS.

PART VI - SECTION C. DISCLOSURE, LINE 19

THE ORGANIZATION MAKES ITS GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON REQUEST.

ATTACHMENT 1

FORM 990, PART X - PREPAID EXPENSES AND DEFERRED CHARGES

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>ENDING BOOK VALUE</u>
SECURITY DEPOSITS	10,500.
PREPAID EXPENSES	23,173.
TOTALS	<u>33,673.</u>