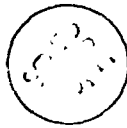


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Form **990-EZ**

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)

OMB No. 1545-1150

2017

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▶ Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

A For the 2017 calendar year, or tax year beginning January 1, 2017, and ending December 31, 2017

B Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	C Name of organization		D Employer identification number
	Together We Can Make A Difference		42-1695480
	Number and street (or P.O. box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite		E Telephone number
	224 W. Wilkins, St.		517 740-8444
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code		F Group Exemption Number	
Jackson, MI 49230		▶	

G Accounting Method: Cash Accrual Other (specify) ▶ _____

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

I Website: ▶ _____

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

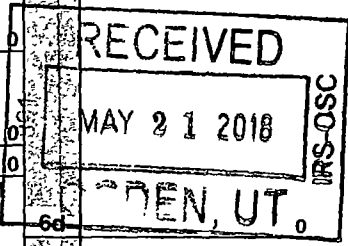
K Form of organization: Corporation Trust Association Other

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

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

		1	2	3	4	5a	5b	5c	6a	6b	6c	7a	7b	7c	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Revenue	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received														90,332												
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts														0												
	3	Membership dues and assessments														0												
	4	Investment income														0												
	5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory					0																					
	5b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses					0																					
	5c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)							0																			
	6	Gaming and fundraising events																										
	a	Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)																										
	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)																										
c	Less: direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events																											
d	Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)																											
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances																											
b	Less: cost of goods sold																											
c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)																											
8	Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)																											
9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8															89,503												
Expenses	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)														0												
	11	Benefits paid to or for members														0												
	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits														43,438												
	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors														230												
	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance														9,495												
	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping														432												
	16	Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)														35,908												
17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16														87,959													
Net Assets	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)														1,544												
	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)														35,203												
	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)														0												
	21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20														36,747												



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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	35,203	36,747
23 Land and buildings	0	0
24 Other assets (describe in Schedule O)	0	0
25 Total assets	35,203	36,747
26 Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O)	0	0
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	35,203	36,747

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

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? Provide hope, support and mentoring to at risk people.

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

	Expenses (Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations; optional for others.)
28 Priceless Gift Toy Store - Coordinate and support the efforts of over 100 churches, businesses, schools and civic organizations in the collection, refurbishment and distribution of donated toys to over 4,500 children in Jackson, MI area as well as providing over 1,500 personal care baskets to at risk families in the city. (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	28a 9,727
29 Kids Explosion - A child character development program conducted 35 weeks of the year at between 7 and 18 different locations around the city of Jackson, MI. We target at risk children through the free lunch program in the summer and in the subsidized housing areas as well as after school programs during the school year. (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	29a 3,805
30 Food Pantry - in conjunction with Christ Kingdom Ministries, we provide groceries to over 200 at risk families each month in the inner city of Jackson, MI. (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	30a 4,502
31 Other program services (describe in Schedule O) (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	31a 17,874
32 Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a) <input type="checkbox"/>	32 35,908

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
<u>Wendy Wight (Director)</u> 3911 Kibby Rd., Jackson, MI 49203	50	20,800	0	6,838
<u>Robert Harvey (President and Treasurer of the Board)</u> 10630 Hewitt Rd., Brooklyn, MI 49230		0	0	0
<u>Diane Merritt (Board Member)</u> 2526 Cobb St., Jackson, MI 49203		0	0	0
<u>Rev. Beverly Goolsby (Board Member)</u> 1902 Fourth St., Jackson, MI 49203		0	0	0
<u>Frank Drechnowicz (Board Member)</u> 6720 Juniper, Jackson, MI 49203		0	0	0
<u>Brian Wood (Vice President of the Board)</u> 2859 Parnall Rd., Jackson, MI 49201		0	0	0
<u>Michelle Gleason (Secretary of the Board)</u> 508 MCBride, Jackson, MI 49203		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 checkboxes. Includes questions 33 through 45b regarding organizational activities, financials, and reporting requirements.

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	Yes		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	Yes		No
				✓
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			✓

50 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees, and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(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
None				

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000 **0**

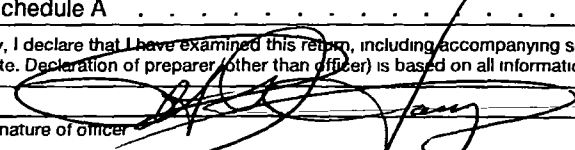
51 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and business address of each independent contractor	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
None		

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

52 Did the organization complete Schedule A? **Note:** All section 501(c)(3) organizations must attach a completed Schedule A Yes No

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here	Signature of officer  Robert G. Harvey President and Treasurer of the Board Type or print name and title	Date MAY 14, 2018
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Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN
	Firm's name ▶	Firm's EIN ▶		Phone no.	
	Firm's address ▶				

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

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

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

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Name of the organization

Employer identification number

Together We Can Make A Difference

42-1695480

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
 - g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

(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)						
Total						

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2013	(b) 2014	(c) 2015	(d) 2016	(e) 2017	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	113,946	121,369	102,534	86,826	90,322	514,997
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf	0	0	0	0	0	0
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge	0	0	0	0	0	0
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3	113,946	121,369	102,534	86,826	90,322	514,997
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2013	(b) 2014	(c) 2015	(d) 2016	(e) 2017	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	113,946	121,369	102,534	86,826	90,322	514,997
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources	0	0	0	0	0	0
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on	0	0	0	0	0	0
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)	0	0	0	0	0	0
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						514,997
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	0
13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here						<input type="checkbox"/>

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2017 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	100 %
15 Public support percentage from 2016 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	100 %
16a 33 1/3% support test—2017. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
b 33 1/3% support test—2016. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization	<input type="checkbox"/>	
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2017. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization	<input type="checkbox"/>	
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2016. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization	<input type="checkbox"/>	
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

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

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Part 1 Form 990EZ (2017)

Line 16 Other Expenses \$35,908

Priceless Gift Toy Store 9,727

Kids EXplosion (youth character development) 3,805

Food Pantry 4,502

Laundry Assistance 2,647

Big Seed & Community Gardens 2,683

All American City for Youth 2,060

Sisters in Ministry 1,909

God's Love Conference 1,435

Bicycle Ministry 1,196

Mighty Men (youth mentoring) 1,083

Books 1,063

Soup with a Purpose 678

Baby Pantry 284

Quilts for Vets 184

Supplies 1,742

Honorariums 404

Misc 506

Part III Form 990EZ (2017) Other Program Services \$17,874

Provided laundry support for 16 to 18 at-risk families each month. Supported the Jackson School District and community garden program.

Developed two mentoring programs for at-risk families and youth in the city of Jackson. Developed and conducted a weekend personal development program for over 100 at-risk teens. Maintained a bicycle program that teaches bike safety and bike repair while delivering over 200 bicycles to the at-risk population of Jackson, MI. Organized and conducted two prayer programs for the city of Jackson. Supported a weekly radio program for the city of Jackson that provides messages of hope, love and care for the citizens of the community.