

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

2016

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

- ▶ Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.
- ▶ Information about Form 990-EZ and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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A For the 2016 calendar year, or tax year beginning , 2016, and ending

B Check if applicable

Address change

Name change

Initial return

Final return/terminated

Amended return

Application pending

C El Cerrito Chamber of Commerce
10296 San Pablo Avenue
El Cerrito, CA 94530

D Employer identification number
94-1397817

E Telephone number
(510) 705-1202

F Group Exemption Number

G Accounting Method Cash Accrual Other (specify) ▶

I Website: ▶ elcerritochamber.org

J Tax-exempt status (check only one) – 501(c)(3) 501(c) (4) ◀(insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527

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

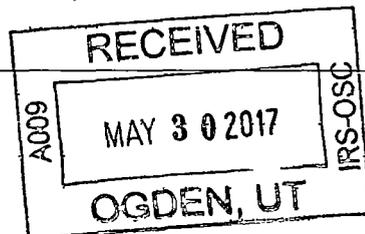
K Form of organization Corporation Trust Association Other

L Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets (Part II, column (B) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ ▶ \$ 82,588.

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	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	
2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	59,353.
3	Membership dues and assessments	3	23,235.
4	Investment income	4	
5 a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5 a	
5 b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	5 b	
5 c	c Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5 c	
6	Gaming and fundraising events		
6 a	a Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)	6 a	
6 b	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)	6 b	
6 c	c Less direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events	6 c	
6 d	d Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)	6 d	
7 a	a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7 a	
7 b	b Less cost of goods sold	7 b	
7 c	c Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7 c	
8	Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)	8	
9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8	9	82,588.
10	Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	10	
11	Benefits paid to or for members	11	
12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	6,587.
13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	16,861.
14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	11,971.
15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	
16	Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)	16	42,189.
17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	77,608.
18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	4,980.
19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	85,021.
20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	20	
21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 18 through 20	21	90,001.



See Schedule O

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BAA For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

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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	84,297.	89,515.
23 Land and buildings		
24 Other assets (describe in Schedule O) <u>See Schedule O</u>	1,440.	1,440.
25 Total assets	85,737.	90,955.
26 Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O) <u>See Schedule O</u>	716.	954.
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	85,021.	90,001.

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? See Schedule O

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 <u>Farmers Market</u>		
(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	28 a	42,350.
29 <u>See Schedule O</u>		
(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	29 a	35,258.
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(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	30 a	
31 Other program services (describe in Schedule O)		
(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	31 a	
32 Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a)	32	77,608.

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>John C. Stashik</u> Treasurer	3	0.	0.	0.
<u>Mark Figone</u> President	3	0.	0.	0.
<u>Melanie Mintz</u> Secretary	3	0.	0.	0.
<u>Lisa Martinengo</u> Manager	10	6,587.	0.	0.
<u>Sil Addiego</u> Director	1	0.	0.	0.
<u>Marty Kaliski</u> Director	1	0.	0.	0.
<u>Michael Roberts</u> Director	1	0.	0.	0.
<u>Sonja Givens-Thomas</u> Director	1	0.	0.	0.
<u>Matt Khadivian</u> Vice President	3	0.	0.	0.
<u>Bill Kuhlman</u> Director	1	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

	Yes	No
33 Did the organization engage in any significant activity not previously reported to the IRS? If 'Yes,' provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O		X
34 Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If 'Yes,' attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name. Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O (see instructions)		X
35 a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)?		X
b If 'Yes,' to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If 'No,' provide an explanation in Schedule O		
c Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part III		X
36 Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If 'Yes,' complete applicable parts of Schedule N		X
37 a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions ▶ 37 a 0.		
b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?		X
38 a Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the tax year covered by this return?		X
b If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved	38 b N/A	
39 Section 501(c)(7) organizations Enter		
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9	39 a N/A	
b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities	39 b N/A	
40 a Section 501(c)(3) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911 ▶ <u>N/A</u> , section 4912 ▶ <u>N/A</u> , section 4955 ▶ <u>N/A</u>		
b Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year, or did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part I	40 b	X
c Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 ▶ 0.		
d Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization ▶ 0.		
e All organizations At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If 'Yes,' complete Form 8886-T	40 e	X
41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ▶ <u>None</u>		

42 a The organization's books are in care of ▶ El Cerrito Chamber of Commerce Telephone no ▶ (510) 705-1202
 Located at ▶ 10296 San Pablo Avenue El Cerrito CA ZIP + 4 ▶ 94530

	Yes	No
b At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country ▶ _____	42 b	X
See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR)		
c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside the United States? If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country ▶ _____	42 c	X

43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of **Form 1041** — Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ▶ N/A

	Yes	No
44 a Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If 'Yes,' Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	44 a	X
b Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If 'Yes,' Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	44 b	X
c Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?	44 c	X
d If 'Yes' to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If 'No,' provide an explanation in Schedule O	44 d	
45 a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	45 a	X
b 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,' Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ (see instructions)	45 b	X

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

	Yes	No
46		X

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

	Yes	No
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49 a		
49 b		

48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule E

49 a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?

b If 'Yes,' was the related organization a section 527 organization?

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

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

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

(a) Name and business address of each independent contractor	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation

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

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

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

Sign Here Signature of officer: *John C. Stashuk* Date: 5-24-2017

Type or print name and title: JOHN C. STASHUK, TRUSTEE

Paid Preparer Use Only
 Print/Type preparer's name: Robert R. Cote
 Preparer's signature: *Robert R. Cote* Date: 5-23-17
 Check if self-employed PTIN: P01381194
 Firm's name: COTE & COMPANY, APC, CPAs
 Firm's address: 10504 San Pablo Ave.
 El Cerrito, CA 94530-2821
 Firm's EIN: 94-3216001
 Phone no: 415-931-0300

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

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

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

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▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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

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Name of the organization

El Cerrito Chamber of Commerce

Employer identification number

94-1397817

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16
Other Expenses

ADP Fees	\$ 899.
Advertising and Promotion	5,400.
Agriculture Fees	4,376.
Ballots	64.
Bank and Credit Card Fees	189.
Byline - Newsletter	3,424.
Donations	500.
Dues	135.
Franchise Taxes	10.
Garbage Pick-Up	1,032.
Health Department - Permits	2,956.
Insurance	1,557.
Janitorial	10,450.
Luncheon Expenses	2,172.
Membership Plaques	760.
Office Expenses	4,274.
Payroll Taxes	1,332.
Permits & Licenses	268.
Repairs	63.
Supplies	664.
Taxes - Other	19.
Telephone	850.
Web Hosting	135.
Website	660.
Total	\$ 42,189.

Form 990-EZ, Part II, Line 24
Other Assets

	<u>Beginning</u>	<u>Ending</u>
Deposit	\$ 1,440.	\$ 1,440.
Total	\$ 1,440.	\$ 1,440.

Form 990-EZ, Part II, Line 26
Total Liabilities

	<u>Beginning</u>	<u>Ending</u>
Credit Card Payable	\$ 316.	\$ 554.
Security Deposit	400.	400.
Total	\$ 716.	\$ 954.

Form 990-EZ, Part III - Organization's Primary Exempt Purpose

To promote and encourage the development of commercial interests in El Cerrito, Contra Costa County and California.

Form 990-EZ, Part III, Line 29 - Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

To promote and encourage the development of commercial interests in El Cerrito,

Contra Costa County and California; to establish reciprocal relations with

Name of the organization

Employer identification number

El Cerrito Chamber of Commerce

94-1397817

Form 990-EZ, Part III, Line 29 - Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

neighboring cities; to assemble, preserve and disseminate information concerning El Cerrito to those seeking homes, commercial and industrial locations; to maintain an intelligent and considerate interest in the development and support of good streets, highways, schools and public parks and places; and to act harmoniously for the moral and civic integrity of El Cerrito and to increase its wealth and population while fostering a general welfare of the community.