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Form **990****Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

OMB No. 1545-0047

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

**2024**Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

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<b>A</b> For the 2024 calendar year, or tax year beginning , 2024, and ending , 20	
<b>B</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	<b>C</b> Name of organization <b>ACTON INSTITUTE FOR THE STUDY OF RELIGION AND LIBERTY</b> Doing business as Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite <b>98 E FULTON ST 101</b> City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code <b>GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49503</b> <b>D</b> Employer identification number <b>38-2926822</b> <b>E</b> Telephone number <b>(616) 454-3080</b> <b>G</b> Gross receipts \$ <b>13,416,282</b> <b>H(a)</b> Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <b>H(b)</b> Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list. See instructions. <b>H(c)</b> Group exemption number <b>I</b> Tax-exempt status: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) ( ) (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527 <b>J</b> Website: <b>WWW.ACTON.ORG</b> <b>K</b> Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other <b>L</b> Year of formation: <b>1990</b> <b>M</b> State of legal domicile: <b>MI</b>
<b>F</b> Name and address of principal officer: <b>KRIS MAUREN</b> <b>SAME AS C ABOVE</b>	

<b>Part I Summary</b>	
<b>Activities &amp; Governance</b>	<b>1</b> Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <b>THE MISSION OF THE ACTON INSTITUTE IS TO PROMOTE A FREE AND VIRTUOUS SOCIETY CHARACTERIZED BY INDIVIDUAL LIBERTY AND SUSTAINED BY RELIGIOUS PRINCIPLES.</b>
	<b>2</b> Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.
	<b>3</b> Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a) . . . . . <b>3 15</b>
	<b>4</b> Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b) . . . . . <b>4 13</b>
	<b>5</b> Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2024 (Part V, line 2a) . . . . . <b>5 41</b>
	<b>6</b> Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary) . . . . . <b>6 30</b>
	<b>7a</b> Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12 . . . . . <b>7a 195,049</b> <b>b</b> Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, Part I, line 11 . . . . . <b>7b 139,778</b>
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>8</b> Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h) . . . . . <b>9,838,879 9,550,871</b>
	<b>9</b> Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g) . . . . . <b>410,219 471,723</b>
	<b>10</b> Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d) . . . . . <b>1,926,928 843,613</b>
	<b>11</b> Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e) . . . . . <b>(153,136) (65,687)</b>
	<b>12</b> Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12) . . . . . <b>12,022,890 10,800,520</b>
	<b>Expenses</b>
<b>14</b> Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4) . . . . . <b>0 0</b>	
<b>15</b> Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10) . . . . . <b>4,581,371 4,961,713</b>	
<b>16a</b> Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e) . . . . . <b>22,713 52,900</b>	
<b>b</b> Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) . . . . . <b>1,658,620</b>	
<b>17</b> Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24e) . . . . . <b>6,529,816 5,939,659</b>	
<b>18</b> Total expenses. Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25) . . . . . <b>12,677,342 12,190,607</b>	
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>19</b> Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12 . . . . . <b>(654,452) (1,390,087)</b>
	<b>20</b> Total assets (Part X, line 16) . . . . . <b>28,105,018 26,553,120</b>
	<b>21</b> Total liabilities (Part X, line 26) . . . . . <b>153,880 192,749</b>
	<b>22</b> Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20 . . . . . <b>27,951,138 26,360,371</b>

<b>Part II Signature Block</b>	
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.	

<b>Sign Here</b>	Signature of officer <b>KRIS MAUREN, PRESIDENT</b>	Date
	Type or print name and title	

<b>Paid Preparer Use Only</b>	Print/Type preparer's name <b>SARA TIBBOTT</b>	Preparer's signature <i>Sara Tibbott</i>	Date <b>8/29/2025</b>	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN <b>P01486965</b>
	Firm's name <b>CRI CAPIN CROUSE ADVISORS, LLC</b>	Firm's EIN <b>33-2621854</b>			
	Firm's address <b>345 MASSACHUSETTS AVE SUITE 300, INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204</b>	Phone no. <b>(505) 502-2746</b>			

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions . . . . .	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A . . . . .	<b>1</b> ✓	
<b>2</b> Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors? See instructions . . . . .	<b>2</b> ✓	
<b>3</b> Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I . . . . .	<b>3</b>	✓
<b>4</b> <b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> 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 . . . . .	<b>4</b>	✓
<b>5</b> Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Rev. Proc. 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III . . . . .	<b>5</b>	✓
<b>6</b> Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I . . . . .	<b>6</b>	✓
<b>7</b> Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II . . . . .	<b>7</b>	✓
<b>8</b> Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III . . . . .	<b>8</b>	✓
<b>9</b> Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability; serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV . . . . .	<b>9</b>	✓
<b>10</b> Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in donor-restricted endowments or in quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V . . . . .	<b>10</b> ✓	
<b>11</b> If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X, as applicable.		
<b>a</b> Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI . . . . .	<b>11a</b> ✓	
<b>b</b> Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII . . . . .	<b>11b</b> ✓	
<b>c</b> Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII . . . . .	<b>11c</b>	✓
<b>d</b> Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX . . . . .	<b>11d</b>	✓
<b>e</b> Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X . . . . .	<b>11e</b>	✓
<b>f</b> Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X . . . . .	<b>11f</b>	✓
<b>12a</b> Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII . . . . .	<b>12a</b> ✓	
<b>b</b> Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional . . . . .	<b>12b</b>	✓
<b>13</b> Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E . . . . .	<b>13</b>	✓
<b>14a</b> Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States? . . . . .	<b>14a</b> ✓	
<b>b</b> Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV . . . . .	<b>14b</b> ✓	
<b>15</b> Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV . . . . .	<b>15</b> ✓	
<b>16</b> Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV . . . . .	<b>16</b> ✓	
<b>17</b> Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I. See instructions . . . . .	<b>17</b> ✓	
<b>18</b> Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II . . . . .	<b>18</b> ✓	
<b>19</b> Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III . . . . .	<b>19</b>	✓
<b>20a</b> Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H . . . . .	<b>20a</b>	✓
<b>b</b> If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return? . . . . .	<b>20b</b>	
<b>21</b> Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II . . . . .	<b>21</b> ✓	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance (continued)			Yes	No
<b>2a</b>	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	<b>2a</b> 41		
<b>b</b>	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns?	<b>2b</b>	✓	
<b>3a</b>	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	<b>3a</b>	✓	
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation on Schedule O	<b>3b</b>	✓	
<b>4a</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)?	<b>4a</b>	✓	
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country <u>IT</u> See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).			
<b>5a</b>	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	<b>5a</b>		✓
<b>b</b>	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	<b>5b</b>		✓
<b>c</b>	If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	<b>5c</b>		
<b>6a</b>	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?	<b>6a</b>		✓
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	<b>6b</b>		
<b>7</b>	<b>Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).</b>			
<b>a</b>	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?	<b>7a</b>	✓	
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	<b>7b</b>	✓	
<b>c</b>	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	<b>7c</b>		✓
<b>d</b>	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	<b>7d</b>		
<b>e</b>	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	<b>7e</b>		✓
<b>f</b>	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	<b>7f</b>		✓
<b>g</b>	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	<b>7g</b>		
<b>h</b>	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	<b>7h</b>		
<b>8</b>	<b>Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.</b> Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	<b>8</b>		
<b>9</b>	<b>Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.</b>			
<b>a</b>	Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?	<b>9a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	<b>9b</b>		
<b>10</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(7) organizations.</b> Enter:			
<b>a</b>	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	<b>10a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	<b>10b</b>		
<b>11</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(12) organizations.</b> Enter:			
<b>a</b>	Gross income from members or shareholders	<b>11a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Gross income from other sources. (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	<b>11b</b>		
<b>12a</b>	<b>Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts.</b> Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	<b>12a</b>		
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	<b>12b</b>		
<b>13</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.</b>			
<b>a</b>	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? <b>Note:</b> See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.	<b>13a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans	<b>13b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Enter the amount of reserves on hand	<b>13c</b>		
<b>14a</b>	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	<b>14a</b>		✓
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation on Schedule O	<b>14b</b>		
<b>15</b>	Is the organization subject to the section 4960 tax on payment(s) of more than \$1,000,000 in remuneration or excess parachute payment(s) during the year? If "Yes," see the instructions and file Form 4720, Schedule N.	<b>15</b>		✓
<b>16</b>	Is the organization an educational institution subject to the section 4968 excise tax on net investment income? If "Yes," complete Form 4720, Schedule O.	<b>16</b>		✓
<b>17</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(21) organizations.</b> Did the trust, or any disqualified or other person, engage in any activities that would result in the imposition of an excise tax under section 4951, 4952, or 4953? If "Yes," complete Form 6069.	<b>17</b>		

**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 the 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, box 6 of Form 1099-MISC, and/or box 1 of Form 1099-NEC) 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 the 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/ 1099-NEC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/ 1099-MISC/ 1099-NEC)	(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) KRIS MAUREN PRESIDENT	50.0	✓		✓				342,282	0	43,588
(2) STEPHEN BARROWS CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER	50.0				✓			184,156	0	52,461
(3) ALEJANDRO CHAFUEN MANAGING DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL	50.0					✓		176,288	0	35,597
(4) MICHAEL MILLER CHIEF OF STRATEGIC INITIATIVES	50.0					✓		167,816	0	36,883
(5) KEVIN AUGUSTYN VP OF DEVELOPMENT	50.0					✓		169,007	0	31,157
(6) TOM VOGT CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	50.0			✓				132,340	0	35,596
(7) ANTHONY BRADLEY DISTINGUISHED RESEARCH FELLOW	50.0					✓		149,724	0	16,544
(8) JOHN PINHEIRO DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH	50.0					✓		131,056	0	33,754
(9) REV ROBERT A. SIRICO PRESIDENT EMERITUS	50.0	✓		✓				150,000	0	5,382
(10) DAVID HUMPHREYS CHAIRMAN	1.0	✓		✓				0	0	0
(11) FRANK HANNA, III VICE CHAIRMAN	1.0	✓		✓				0	0	0
(12) JOHN HERN SECRETARY	1.0	✓		✓				0	0	0
(13) J.C. HUIZENGA ASST. SECRETARY	1.0	✓		✓				0	0	0
(14) JOHN KENNEDY, III TREASURER	1.0	✓		✓				0	0	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>	<b>1a</b>	Federated campaigns . . . . .	<b>1a</b> 2,702				
	<b>b</b>	Membership dues . . . . .	<b>1b</b>				
	<b>c</b>	Fundraising events . . . . .	<b>1c</b> 173,650				
	<b>d</b>	Related organizations . . . . .	<b>1d</b>				
	<b>e</b>	Government grants (contributions)	<b>1e</b>				
	<b>f</b>	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	<b>1f</b> 9,374,519				
	<b>g</b>	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f . . . . .	<b>1g</b> \$ 252,747				
	<b>h</b>	<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f . . . . .		9,550,871			
	<b>Program Service Revenue</b>				Business Code		
<b>2a</b>		EDUCATION	900099	392,617	392,617		
<b>b</b>		GEN. EDUCATION/COMMUNICATION	900099	76,677	76,677		
<b>c</b>		RESEARCH	900099	550	550		
<b>d</b>		CENTER FOR SOCIAL FLOURISHING	900099	206	206		
<b>e</b>							
<b>f</b>		All other program service revenue . .	900099	1,673	1,673	0	0
<b>g</b>		<b>Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f . . . . .		471,723			
<b>Other Revenue</b>	<b>3</b>	Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts) . . . . .		651,906		192,849	459,057
	<b>4</b>	Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds					
	<b>5</b>	Royalties . . . . .					
			(i) Real (ii) Personal				
	<b>6a</b>	Gross rents . . . . .	<b>6a</b> 12,000				
	<b>b</b>	Less: rental expenses	<b>6b</b> 9,800				
	<b>c</b>	Rental income or (loss)	<b>6c</b> 2,200 0				
	<b>d</b>	Net rental income or (loss) . . . . .		2,200		2,200	
	<b>7a</b>	Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities (ii) Other				
			2,591,785				
	<b>b</b>	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses . . . . .	<b>7b</b> 2,400,078				
	<b>c</b>	Gain or (loss) . . . . .	<b>7c</b> 191,707 0				
	<b>d</b>	Net gain or (loss) . . . . .		191,707		191,707	
	<b>8a</b>	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 173,650 of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18 . . . . .	<b>8a</b> 40,600				
	<b>b</b>	Less: direct expenses . . . . .	<b>8b</b> 175,660				
	<b>c</b>	Net income or (loss) from fundraising events . . . . .		(135,060)		(135,060)	
	<b>9a</b>	Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19 . . . . .	<b>9a</b>				
<b>b</b>	Less: direct expenses . . . . .	<b>9b</b>					
<b>c</b>	Net income or (loss) from gaming activities . . . . .						
<b>10a</b>	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances . . . . .	<b>10a</b> 97,397					
<b>b</b>	Less: cost of goods sold . . . . .	<b>10b</b> 30,224					
<b>c</b>	Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory . . . . .		67,173	67,173			
<b>Miscellaneous Revenue</b>				Business Code			
	<b>11a</b>						
	<b>b</b>						
	<b>c</b>						
	<b>d</b>	All other revenue . . . . .		0	0	0	0
<b>e</b>	<b>Total.</b> Add lines 11a-11d . . . . .		0				
<b>12</b>	<b>Total revenue.</b> See instructions . . . . .			10,800,520	538,896	195,049	515,704

**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 . . . . .	336,043	<b>1</b>	1,580,477
	<b>2</b> Savings and temporary cash investments . . . . .	4,097,293	<b>2</b>	1,436,738
	<b>3</b> Pledges and grants receivable, net . . . . .	782,440	<b>3</b>	1,465,384
	<b>4</b> Accounts receivable, net . . . . .	317,608	<b>4</b>	275,238
	<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 . . . . .		<b>7</b>	
	<b>8</b> Inventories for sale or use . . . . .	29,735	<b>8</b>	24,336
	<b>9</b> Prepaid expenses and deferred charges . . . . .	536,906	<b>9</b>	823,464
	<b>10a</b> Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D . . . . .	<b>10a</b> 9,688,353		
	<b>b</b> Less: accumulated depreciation . . . . .	<b>10b</b> 3,625,866		
	<b>11</b> Investments—publicly traded securities . . . . .	5,076,522	<b>11</b>	3,782,686
	<b>12</b> Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .	10,795,810	<b>12</b>	11,102,310
	<b>13</b> Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .	0	<b>13</b>	0
	<b>14</b> Intangible assets . . . . .		<b>14</b>	
	<b>15</b> Other assets. See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .	0	<b>15</b>	0
<b>16</b> <b>Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 33) . . . . .	28,105,018	<b>16</b>	26,553,120	
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>17</b> Accounts payable and accrued expenses . . . . .	108,549	<b>17</b>	170,839
	<b>18</b> Grants payable . . . . .		<b>18</b>	
	<b>19</b> Deferred revenue . . . . .		<b>19</b>	21,910
	<b>20</b> Tax-exempt bond liabilities . . . . .		<b>20</b>	
	<b>21</b> Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D . . . . .		<b>21</b>	
	<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 . . . . .		<b>23</b>	
	<b>24</b> Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties . . . . .		<b>24</b>	
	<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 . . . . .	45,331	<b>25</b>	0
	<b>26</b> <b>Total liabilities.</b> Add lines 17 through 25 . . . . .	153,880	<b>26</b>	192,749
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.</b>			
	<b>27</b> Net assets without donor restrictions . . . . .	16,143,840	<b>27</b>	17,796,099
	<b>28</b> Net assets with donor restrictions . . . . .	11,807,298	<b>28</b>	8,564,272
	<b>Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here <input type="checkbox"/> 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</b> <b>Total net assets or fund balances.</b> . . . . .	27,951,138	<b>32</b>	26,360,371
<b>33</b> <b>Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances.</b> . . . . .	28,105,018	<b>33</b>	26,553,120	

SCHEDULE A  
(Form 990)

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

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2024

Open to Public  
Inspection

Name of the organization

**ACTON INSTITUTE FOR THE STUDY OF RELIGION AND LIBERTY**

Employer identification number

38-2926822

**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).)
- 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 $\frac{1}{3}$ % 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 $\frac{1}{3}$ % 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 on 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)						
<b>Total</b>						

**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) 2020	(b) 2021	(c) 2022	(d) 2023	(e) 2024	(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 Total.</b> 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 Public support.</b> (Subtract line 7c from line 6.) . . . .						

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2020	(b) 2021	(c) 2022	(d) 2023	(e) 2024	(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 on 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 Total support.</b> (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.) . . . .						
<b>14 First 5 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>15</b> Public support percentage for 2024 (line 8, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f)) . . . .	<b>15</b>	%
<b>16</b> Public support percentage from 2023 Schedule A, Part III, line 15 . . . .	<b>16</b>	%

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

<b>17</b> Investment income percentage for <b>2024</b> (line 10c, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f)) . . .	<b>17</b>	%
<b>18</b> Investment income percentage from <b>2023</b> Schedule A, Part III, line 17 . . . .	<b>18</b>	%
<b>19a 33<sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub>% support tests—2024.</b> If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>3</sub> %, and line 17 is not more than 33 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>3</sub> %, check this box and <b>stop here</b> . The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>b 33<sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub>% support tests—2023.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>3</sub> %, and line 18 is not more than 33 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>3</sub> %, check this box and <b>stop here</b> . The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>20 Private foundation.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions . . . <input type="checkbox"/>		



**Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)**

	Yes	No
<b>11</b> Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?		
<b>a</b> A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described on lines 11b and 11c below, the governing body of a supported organization?		
<b>b</b> A family member of a person described on line 11a above?		
<b>c</b> A 35% controlled entity of a person described on line 11a or 11b above? If "Yes" to line 11a, 11b, or 11c, provide detail in <b>Part VI</b> .		
<b>11a</b>		
<b>11b</b>		
<b>11c</b>		

**Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Did the governing body, members of the governing body, officers acting in their official capacity, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees at all times during the tax year? If "No," describe in <b>Part VI</b> how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove officers, directors, or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.		
<b>2</b> 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 <b>Part VI</b> how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization.		
<b>1</b>		
<b>2</b>		

**Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> 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 <b>Part VI</b> how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s).		
<b>1</b>		

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

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> 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?		
<b>2</b> 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 <b>Part VI</b> how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).		
<b>3</b> By reason of the relationship described on line 2, above, 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 <b>Part VI</b> the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.		
<b>1</b>		
<b>2</b>		
<b>3</b>		

**Section E. Type III Functionally Integrated Supporting Organizations**

<b>1</b> Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions).			
<b>a</b> <input type="checkbox"/> The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete <b>line 2</b> below.			
<b>b</b> <input type="checkbox"/> The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete <b>line 3</b> below.			
<b>c</b> <input type="checkbox"/> The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in <b>Part VI</b> how you supported a governmental entity (see instructions).			
<b>2</b> Activities Test. Answer lines 2a and 2b below.			
<b>a</b> 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 <b>Part VI</b> 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>b</b> Did the activities described on line 2a, above, 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 <b>Part VI</b> the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.			
<b>3</b> Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer lines 3a and 3b below.			
<b>a</b> 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? If "Yes" or "No," provide details in <b>Part VI</b> .			
<b>b</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 <b>Part VI</b> the role played by the organization in this regard.			
<b>2a</b>			
<b>2b</b>			
<b>3a</b>			
<b>3b</b>			

**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	1
2	Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	2
3	Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	3
4	Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	4
5	Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required—provide details in Part VI)	5
6	Other distributions (describe in Part VI). See instructions.	6
7	<b>Total annual distributions.</b> Add lines 1 through 6.	7
8	Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI). See instructions.	8
9	Distributable amount for 2024 from Section C, line 6	9
10	Line 8 amount divided by line 9 amount	10

  

Section E—Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2024	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2024
1 Distributable amount for 2024 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2024 (reasonable cause required—explain in Part VI). See instructions.			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2024			
a From 2019 . . . . .			
b From 2020 . . . . .			
c From 2021 . . . . .			
d From 2022 . . . . .			
e From 2023 . . . . .			
f <b>Total</b> of lines 3a through 3e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2024 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2019 not applied (see instructions)			
j Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from line 3f.			
4 Distributions for 2024 from Section D, line 7: \$			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b Applied to 2024 distributable amount			
c Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from line 4.			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2024, 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 2024. 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 2025.</b> Add lines 3j and 4c.			
8 Breakdown of line 7:			
a Excess from 2020 . . . . .			
b Excess from 2021 . . . . .			
c Excess from 2022 . . . . .			
d Excess from 2023 . . . . .			
e Excess from 2024 . . . . .			

**Schedule B  
(Form 990)**

(Rev. January 2025)  
Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Schedule of Contributors**

Attach to Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF.  
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OMB No. 1545-0047

Name of the organization

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Employer identification number

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**Organization type** (check one):

**Filers of:**

**Section:**

Form 990 or 990-EZ

☒ 501(c)( 3 ) (enter number) organization

☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation

☐ 527 political organization

Form 990-PF

☐ 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation

☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation

☐ 501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**.

**Note:** Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.

**General Rule**

- ☐ For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, contributions totaling \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II. See instructions for determining a contributor's total contributions.

**Special Rules**

- ☒ For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ % support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of (1) \$5,000; or (2) 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h; or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.
- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I (entering "N/A" in column (b) instead of the contributor name and address), II, and III.
- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Don't complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received *nonexclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year . . . . . \$ .....

**Caution:** An organization that isn't covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules doesn't file Schedule B (Form 990), but it **must** answer "No" on Part IV, line 2, of its Form 990; or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ or on its Form 990-PF, Part I, line 2, to certify that it doesn't meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990).

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**Part I** **Contributors** (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
<u>7</u>	<div></div> <div></div> <div></div>	\$ <u>282,496</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
<u>8</u>	<div></div> <div></div> <div></div>	\$ <u>257,500</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
<u>9</u>	<div></div> <div></div> <div></div>	\$ <u>250,000</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
<u>10</u>	<div></div> <div></div> <div></div>	\$ <u>249,911</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
<u>11</u>	<div></div> <div></div> <div></div>	\$ <u>243,000</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
<u>12</u>	<div></div> <div></div> <div></div>	\$ <u>206,510</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)



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**Part III** **Exclusively** religious, charitable, etc., contributions to organizations described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) that total more than \$1,000 for the year from any one contributor. Complete columns (a) through (e) and the following line entry. For organizations completing Part III, enter the total of *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions of **\$1,000 or less** for the year. (Enter this information once. See instructions.) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Use duplicate copies of Part III if additional space is needed.

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
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	<div>Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4</div> <div>Relationship of transferor to transferee</div>		
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(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
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	<div>(e) Transfer of gift</div> <div>Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4</div> <div>Relationship of transferor to transferee</div>		
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(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
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	<div>(e) Transfer of gift</div> <div>Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4</div> <div>Relationship of transferor to transferee</div>		
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(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
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	<div>(e) Transfer of gift</div> <div>Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4</div> <div>Relationship of transferor to transferee</div>		
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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 **d** ☐ Loan or exchange program
- b** ☐ Scholarly research **e** ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- c** ☐ Preservation for future generations
- 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 in Part XIII ☐

**Part V Endowment Funds**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

- |   | (a) Current year | (b) Prior year | (c) Two years back | (d) Three years back | (e) Four years back |
|---|------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| <b>1a</b> Beginning of year balance                     | 579,736          | 567,689        | 705,185            | 643,047              | 572,429             |
| <b>b</b> Contributions                                  |                  |                |                    |                      | 12,809              |
| <b>c</b> Net investment earnings, gains, and losses     | 80,046           | 37,215         | (112,404)          | 83,354               | 79,745              |
| <b>d</b> Grants or scholarships                         | 24,117           | 25,168         | 25,092             | 21,216               | 21,936              |
| <b>e</b> Other expenditures for facilities and programs |                  |                |                    |                      |                     |
| <b>f</b> Administrative expenses                        |                  |                |                    |                      |                     |
| <b>g</b> End of year balance                            | 635,665          | 579,736        | 567,689            | 705,185              | 643,047             |
- 2** Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:
- a** Board designated or quasi-endowment 0.00 %
- b** Permanent endowment 100.00 %
- c** Term endowment 0.00 %
- 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>(ii)</b> Related organizations?  |     | ✓  |
| <b>b</b> If "Yes" on line 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? |     |    |
- 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		1,080,000		1,080,000
<b>b</b> Buildings		6,155,544	1,766,065	4,389,479
<b>c</b> Leasehold improvements				
<b>d</b> Equipment		2,331,755	1,738,747	593,008
<b>e</b> Other		121,054	121,054	0
<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 10c, column (B))				6,062,487

**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.

<b>1</b>	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements . . . . .	<b>1</b>	11,082,067
<b>2</b>	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:		
<b>a</b>	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments . . . . .	<b>2a</b>	(7,831)
<b>b</b>	Donated services and use of facilities . . . . .	<b>2b</b>	442,203
<b>c</b>	Recoveries of prior year grants . . . . .	<b>2c</b>	
<b>d</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.) . . . . .	<b>2d</b>	40,024
<b>e</b>	Add lines <b>2a</b> through <b>2d</b> . . . . .	<b>2e</b>	474,396
<b>3</b>	Subtract line <b>2e</b> from line <b>1</b> . . . . .	<b>3</b>	10,607,671
<b>4</b>	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:		
<b>a</b>	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b . . . . .	<b>4a</b>	
<b>b</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.) . . . . .	<b>4b</b>	192,849
<b>c</b>	Add lines <b>4a</b> and <b>4b</b> . . . . .	<b>4c</b>	192,849
<b>5</b>	Total revenue. Add lines <b>3</b> and <b>4c</b> . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.) . . . . .	<b>5</b>	10,800,520

**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.

<b>1</b>	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements . . . . .	<b>1</b>	12,672,834
<b>2</b>	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:		
<b>a</b>	Donated services and use of facilities . . . . .	<b>2a</b>	442,203
<b>b</b>	Prior year adjustments . . . . .	<b>2b</b>	
<b>c</b>	Other losses . . . . .	<b>2c</b>	
<b>d</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.) . . . . .	<b>2d</b>	40,024
<b>e</b>	Add lines <b>2a</b> through <b>2d</b> . . . . .	<b>2e</b>	482,227
<b>3</b>	Subtract line <b>2e</b> from line <b>1</b> . . . . .	<b>3</b>	12,190,607
<b>4</b>	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:		
<b>a</b>	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b . . . . .	<b>4a</b>	
<b>b</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.) . . . . .	<b>4b</b>	0
<b>c</b>	Add lines <b>4a</b> and <b>4b</b> . . . . .	<b>4c</b>	0
<b>5</b>	Total expenses. Add lines <b>3</b> and <b>4c</b> . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.) . . . . .	<b>5</b>	12,190,607

**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.

SEE STATEMENT

# 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.

Return Reference - Identifier	Explanation
SCHEDULE D, PART V, LINE 4 - INTENDED USES OF ENDOWMENT FUNDS	THE INTENDED USE FOR THE ENDOWMENT FUND IS TO SUPPORT THE NOVAK AWARD.



**Part II** **Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations or Entities Outside the United States.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 15, for any recipient who received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

1	(a) Name of organization	(b) IRS code section and EIN (if applicable)	(c) Region	(d) Purpose of grant	(e) Amount of cash grant	(f) Manner of cash disbursement	(g) Amount of noncash assistance	(h) Description of noncash assistance	(i) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)
(1)			(SEE STATEMENT)						
(2)									
(3)									
(4)									
(5)									
(6)									
(7)									
(8)									
(9)									
(10)									
(11)									
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(14)									
(15)									
(16)									

2 Enter total number of recipient organizations listed above that are recognized as charities by the foreign country, recognized as a tax exempt 501(c)(3) organization by the IRS, or for which the grantee or counsel has provided a section 501(c)(3) equivalency letter . . . . . **4**

3 Enter total number of other organizations or entities . . . . . **0**

**Part IV Foreign Forms**

- 1** Was the organization a U.S. transferor of property to a foreign corporation during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 926, Return by a U.S. Transferor of Property to a Foreign Corporation (see Instructions for Form 926)* . . . . . ☐ Yes ☒ No
- 2** Did the organization have an interest in a foreign trust during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to separately file Form 3520, Annual Return To Report Transactions With Foreign Trusts and Receipt of Certain Foreign Gifts, and/or Form 3520-A, Annual Information Return of Foreign Trust With a U.S. Owner (see Instructions for Forms 3520 and 3520-A; don't file with Form 990)* . . . . . ☐ Yes ☒ No
- 3** Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign corporation during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 5471, Information Return of U.S. Persons With Respect to Certain Foreign Corporations (see Instructions for Form 5471)* . . . . . ☐ Yes ☒ No
- 4** Was the organization a direct or indirect shareholder of a passive foreign investment company or a qualified electing fund during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 8621, Information Return by a Shareholder of a Passive Foreign Investment Company or Qualified Electing Fund (see Instructions for Form 8621)* . . . . . ☐ Yes ☒ No
- 5** Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign partnership during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 8865, Return of U.S. Persons With Respect to Certain Foreign Partnerships (see Instructions for Form 8865)* . . . . . ☐ Yes ☒ No
- 6** Did the organization have any operations in or related to any boycotting countries during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to separately file Form 5713, International Boycott Report (see Instructions for Form 5713; don't file with Form 990)* . . . . . ☐ Yes ☒ No

**Part II****Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations or Entities Outside the United States (continued)**

(a) Name of Organization	(b) IRS code section and EIN	(c) Region	(d) Purpose of grant	(e) Amount of cash grant	(f) Manner of cash disbursement	(g) Amount of non-cash assistance	(h) Description of non-cash assistance	(i) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)
(1)		EUROPE (INCLUDING ICELAND AND GREENLAND)	SUPPORT FOR BOOK PROJECT AND RESEARCH	39,825	ELECTRONIC TRANSFER			
(2)		SOUTH AMERICA	THE ACTON INSTITUTE HAS ESTABLISHED RELATIONSHIPS WITH SEVERAL INTERNATIONAL AFFILIATE ORGANIZATIONS THAT SHARE OUR MISSION AND SEEK TO PROMOTE IDEAS OF THE ACTON INSTITUTE. THE AFFILIATES ARE INDEPENDENT ORGANIZATIONS THAT WORK WITH ACTON TO PROMOTE THE IDEAS OF A FREE AND VIRTUOUS SOCIETY IN THEIR OWN COUNTRIES AND WITHIN THEIR OWN CULTURAL CONTEXT. ACTON PROVIDES THESE AFFILIATES WITH SMALL GRANTS FOR CONFERENCES, PUBLICATIONS, WEBSITE MAINTENANCE, TRANSLATION, AND OTHER ACTIVITIES.	22,160	ELECTRONIC TRANSFER			
(3)		SOUTH AMERICA	SUPPORT FOR BOOK PROJECT	12,500	ELECTRONIC TRANSFER			
(4)		SOUTH AMERICA	SUPPORT FOR CONFERENCE	10,000	ELECTRONIC TRANSFER			

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

		(a) Event #1 ANNUAL DINNER (event type)	(b) Event #2 (event type)	(c) Other events (total number)	(d) Total events (add col. (a) through col. (c))
Revenue	1	Gross receipts . . . . .	214,250		214,250
	2	Less: Contributions . . . . .	173,650		173,650
	3	Gross income (line 1 minus line 2) . . . . .	40,600	0	0
Direct Expenses	4	Cash prizes . . . . .			0
	5	Noncash prizes . . . . .			0
	6	Rent/facility costs . . . . .			0
	7	Food and beverages . . . . .	100,260		100,260
	8	Entertainment . . . . .	5,250		5,250
	9	Other direct expenses . . . . .	70,150		70,150
	10	Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d) . . . . .			
11	Net income summary. Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d) . . . . .				(135,060)

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

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

9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization conducts gaming activities: \_\_\_\_\_

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

b If "No," explain: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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

b If "Yes," explain: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_



Return Reference	Identifier	Explanation	
SCHEDULE G, PART I, LINE 2B	PAYMENT OF FEES OR PAYMENT OF EXPENSES	Name	Description
		OPTIMIZE CONSULTING	THE PROFESSIONAL FUNDRAISING SERVICES WERE CONSULTING IN NATURE, NO GROSS RECEIPTS WERE DIRECTLY GENERATED FROM THE SERVICES PROVIDED.

**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 noncash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of noncash assistance
<b>1</b> RESEARCH, FELLOWSHIP	201	291,449			
<b>2</b> TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIPS	287	206,259			
<b>3</b>					
<b>4</b>					
<b>5</b>					
<b>6</b>					
<b>7</b>					

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

Supplemental information area with horizontal lines for text entry.

**SCHEDULE J  
(Form 990)**

(Rev. January 2025)

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.

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

OMB No. 1545-0047

**Open to Public  
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Name of the organization

ACTON INSTITUTE FOR THE STUDY OF RELIGION AND LIBERTY

Employer identification number

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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 checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee          | <input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study                    |
| <input checked="" 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:

- |  |           |                                     |
|--|-----------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>a</b> Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment? . . . . .                           | <b>4a</b> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>b</b> Participate in or receive payment from a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan? . . . . . | <b>4b</b> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>c</b> Participate in or receive payment from an equity-based compensation arrangement? . . . . .    | <b>4c</b> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

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:

- |  |           |                                     |
|--|-----------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>a</b> The organization? . . . . .         | <b>5a</b> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>b</b> Any related organization? . . . . . | <b>5b</b> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

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:

- |  |           |                                     |
|--|-----------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>a</b> The organization? . . . . .         | <b>6a</b> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>b</b> Any related organization? . . . . . | <b>6b</b> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

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

1b

2

4a

4b

4c

5a

5b

6a

6b

7

8

9

## Part III

**Supplemental Information.** Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II. Also complete this part for any additional information.

Return Reference - Identifier	Explanation
SCHEDULE J, PART I, LINE 1A - FIRST-CLASS OR CHARTER TRAVEL	ACTON OCCASIONALLY COVERS FIRST-CLASS FARES ON LONG DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL TRIPS FOR BONA-FIDE BUSINESS PURPOSES TO SPEAK AND CONDUCT OFFSITE MEETINGS WITH STAFF AND DONORS FOR ROBERT SIRICO. IT IS POLICY TO HAVE HIM REIMBURSE THE ORGANIZATION FOR ANY PERSONAL CHARGES THAT ARE NOT CONSIDERED BONA-FIDE BUSINESS EXPENSES. THIS BENEFIT IS TREATED AS NONTAXABLE.
SCHEDULE J, PART I, LINE 7 - NON-FIXED PAYMENTS	NON-FIXED PAYMENTS IN THE FORM OF BONUSES WERE GIVEN TO THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS: MICHAEL MILLER, CHIEF OF STRATEGIC INITIATIVES



**Part II**

**Supplemental Information.** Provide the information required by Part I, lines 30b, 32b, and 33, and whether the organization is reporting in Part I, column (b), the number of contributions, the number of items received, or a combination of both. Also complete this part for any additional information.

Return Reference - Identifier	Explanation
SCHEDULE M, PART I - EXPLANATIONS OF REPORTING METHOD FOR NUMBER OF CONTRIBUTIONS	THE NUMBER OF CONTRIBUTIONS REPRESENT THE NUMBER OF CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED, NOT THE NUMBER OF ITEMS DONATED.

**SCHEDULE O  
(Form 990)**

(Rev. January 2025)

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.****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.**

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FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4C - PROGRAM SERVICE DESCRIPTION	MORALITY IS A SEMI-ANNUAL REFEREED JOURNAL THAT PROVIDES A FORUM FOR SCHOLARS FROM MANY DISCIPLINES TO ENGAGE ISSUES CONCERNING THE MORALITY OF THE MARKETPLACE. SELECT PRIMARY SOURCES ARE TRANSLATED AND EDITED FOR WIDER DISSEMINATION AND USE BY SCHOLARS. NON-CHRISTIANS HAVE ALSO WRITTEN ARTICLES AND BOOKS ADDRESSING RELEVANT THEMES OF INTEREST TO THE ACTON INSTITUTE, SUCH AS LIBERTY, RELIGIOUS FREEDOM, AND THE FREE ECONOMY. THE RESEARCH DEPARTMENT ALSO MANAGES ACTON'S ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS. FELLOWSHIPS ARE AWARDED TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO PROMISING DOCTORAL CANDIDATES, GRADUATE STUDENTS, AND SEMINARIANS WHO ARE ADVANCING AN UNDERSTANDING OF THE CONNECTION BETWEEN ECONOMIC LIBERTY AND RELIGIOUS VALUES. FREE MARKET MINI-GRANTS HELP FUND UNIVERSITY COURSE DEVELOPMENT AND FACULTY RESEARCH IN MARKET ECONOMICS AT COLLEGES, UNIVERSITIES, AND SEMINARIES IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA. THE FREEDOM AND PROSPERITY GRANT PROMOTES RESEARCH BY SCHOLARS INTERNATIONALLY INTO THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN FREEDOM AND PROSPERITY USING THE ATLANTIC COUNCIL FREEDOM AND PROSPERITY INDEXES. THE CALIHAN ACADEMIC GRANTS PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO SCHOLARS AND GRADUATE STUDENTS WHOSE ACADEMIC WORK SHOWS OUTSTANDING POTENTIAL TO ADVANCE UNDERSTANDING IN THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THEOLOGY AND THE PRINCIPLES OF THE FREE AND VIRTUOUS SOCIETY. THE ANNUAL NOVAK AWARD RECIPIENT IS PRESENTED WITH A PRIZE TO ACKNOWLEDGE AND REWARD NEW RESEARCH ON THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN RELIGION, ECONOMIC FREEDOM, AND THE FREE AND VIRTUOUS SOCIETY. LASTLY, THE RESEARCH DEPARTMENT MANAGES OR HELPS MANAGE A NUMBER OF PROGRAMS, INCLUDING (1) CONFERENCES FOR SCHOLARS, GRADUATE STUDENTS, PUBLIC INTELLECTUALS AND LEADING RELIGIOUS FIGURES, (2) AN ACADEMIC COLLOQUIUM HELD ANNUALLY IN GRAND RAPIDS, (3) AND THE SCHOLARLY AND PROGRAMMATIC OUTREACH OF ACTON'S ROME OFFICE. INTERNATIONALLY, WE HAVE HELD CONFERENCES ON VARIOUS TOPICS SUCH AS ECONOMIC LIBERTY, JUSTICE, ECONOMIC HISTORY, POVERTY AND DEVELOPMENT, CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING, WAR AND PEACE, PROTESTANT SOCIAL THOUGHT, JUDAISM AND THE ECONOMY, PROPERTY RIGHTS, MONETARY POLICY, AND LIMITED GOVERNMENT.
FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 6 - CLASSES OF MEMBERS OR STOCKHOLDERS	THE CORPORATION IS ORGANIZED ON A MEMBERSHIP BASIS. THERE ARE TWO CLASSES OF MEMBERS: FULL MEMBERS AND ASSOCIATE MEMBERS. ONLY FULL MEMBERS ARE ENTITLED TO VOTE. THE FULL MEMBERS ELECT ONE OR MORE MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. THE ORIGINAL MEMBERS WERE APPOINTED IN THE FOUNDING DOCUMENTS OF INCORPORATION. NEW MEMBERS MAY BE ADDED BY A TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF THE FULL MEMBERS. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, BY UNANIMOUS ACTION, MAY TERMINATE THE MEMBERSHIP OF ANY MEMBER WHO FAILS TO COMPLY WITH THE BYLAWS OR REGULATIONS.
FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 7A - MEMBERS OR STOCKHOLDERS ELECTING MEMBERS OF GOVERNING BODY	MEMBERS HAVE THE ABILITY TO ELECT OR APPOINT ONE OR MORE MEMBERS OF THE ORGANIZATION'S GOVERNING BODY, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. THE BYLAWS GRANT MEMBERS THE POWER TO FILL VACANCIES OR REMOVE EXISTING DIRECTORS BY A MAJORITY VOTE.
FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 11B - REVIEW OF FORM 990 BY GOVERNING BODY	THE FORM 990 IS PREPARED BY AN INDEPENDENT CPA FIRM. IT IS REVIEWED IN DETAIL BY THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE. A DRAFT COPY OF THE FORM 990 IS ELECTRONICALLY PROVIDED TO THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR REVIEW PRIOR TO FILING. IN ADDITION, A COPY OF THE FORM 990 DRAFT WILL BE AVAILABLE IN A SECURED PART OF THE WEBSITE.
FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 12C - CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY	OFFICERS, BOARD MEMBERS, AND KEY EMPLOYEES SIGN ANNUAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENTS WHICH ARE REVIEWED BY THE DIRECTOR OF HR AND THE PRESIDENT. SHOULD ANY POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST BE DISCLOSED, THE BOARD MEMBER OR OFFICER WOULD BE ASKED TO REFRAIN FROM PARTICIPATION IN ANY DECISION WITH REGARD TO MATTERS AFFECTED BY THE RELATIONSHIP.
FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 15A - PROCESS TO ESTABLISH COMPENSATION OF TOP MANAGEMENT OFFICIAL	THE BOARD, ALONG WITH THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE, INVESTIGATES AND DETERMINES THE COMPENSATION PACKAGE FOR THE PRESIDENT AND PRESIDENT EMERITUS. THE PRESIDENT AND HUMAN RESOURCES DETERMINE THE COMPENSATION FOR ALL OTHER OFFICERS. THE PROCESS INCLUDES COMPARISON TO SIMILAR ORGANIZATIONS AND SALARY SURVEYS AS WELL AS ANALYSIS OF RESPONSIBILITIES AND PERFORMANCE. THE APPROVAL PROCESS FOR THE PRESIDENT, PRESIDENT EMERITUS AND ALL OTHER OFFICERS IS DOCUMENTED IN THE MINUTES.
FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 15B - PROCESS TO ESTABLISH COMPENSATION OF OTHER OFFICERS OR KEY EMPLOYEES	SEE NARRATIVE FOR FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 15A.
FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 17 - STATES WITH WHICH A COPY OF THIS FORM 990 IS REQUIRED TO BE FILED	CO, CT, FL, IL, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MS, NC, NH, NM, NV, OH, OK, PA, RI, SC, TN, UT, VA, WA, WI, WV