

CT-12

**For Oregon Corporations
and Certain Trusts**

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For Accounting Periods Beginning in:

2008

Section I. General Information

1. Cross Through Incorrect Items and Correct Here:
(See instructions for change of name or accounting period.)

Registration #:

Organization Name:

Address:

City, State, Zip:

Phone: _____ Fax: _____
 Email: _____
 Period Beginning: / / Period Ending: / /

Amended Report?

2. Did a certified public accountant audit your financial records? - If yes, attach a copy of the auditor's report, financial statements, accompanying notes, schedules, or management letters supplementing the report or financial statements. Yes No
3. Is the organization a party to a contract involving person-to-person, advertising, vending machine or telephone fund-raising in Oregon?
If yes, write the name of the fund-raising firm(s) who conducts the campaign(s): _____ Yes No
4. Has the organization or any officer, director, trustee, or key employee of the organization ever been involved in a voluntary agreement with any government agency, such as a state attorney general, secretary of state, or local district attorney, or in a legal action in any court regarding charitable solicitation, administration, management, or fiduciary practices? If yes, attach copies of the agreement and a written explanation. Yes No
5. During this reporting period, did the organization amend its articles of incorporation, bylaws, or trust documents, OR did the organization receive a determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service indicating a new or amended tax-exempt status? If yes, attach a copy of the amended document or letter. Yes No
6. Is the organization ceasing operations and is this the final report? (If yes, see instructions on how to close your registration.) Yes No
7. Provide contact information for the person responsible for retaining the organization's records.

Name	Position	Phone	Mailing Address & Email Address

8. List of Officers, Directors, Trustees and Key Employees – List each person who held one of these positions at any time during the year even if they did not receive any compensation from the organization. Attach additional sheets if necessary. If an IRS form is attached that includes substantially the same information, the phrase "See IRS Form" may be entered in lieu of completing this section. (Oregon law requires a minimum of three directors.)

(A) Name, mailing address, daytime phone number and email address		(B) Title & average weekly hours devoted to position	(C) Compensation (enter \$0 if position unpaid)
Name: _____ Address: _____ Phone: (____) _____ Email: _____			
Name: _____ Address: _____ Phone: (____) _____ Email: _____			
Name: _____ Address: _____ Phone: (____) _____ Email: _____			



2008 Form CT-12 Instructions

General Instructions

Purpose

Oregon law charges the Attorney General with the duty and responsibility to represent the public's interest in connection with assets held for charitable purposes. The Attorney General carries out this responsibility by requiring organizations holding such assets to register and file periodic financial reports.

Once submitted, this Form and all attachments become a part of the public record. Any interested person may examine or obtain a copy of an annual report of a charitable organization by contacting the Charitable Activities Section.

Who Must File

All corporations and trusts registered with the Charitable Activities Section of the Oregon Department of Justice must annually file Form CT-12, CT-12F, or CT-12S unless the Attorney General has specifically exempted the organization from the reporting requirements.

What Form to File

File Form CT-12 if the organization is incorporated in Oregon.

File Form CT-12F if the organization is incorporated outside of Oregon. The Charitable Activities Section does not accept multi-state annual report forms in lieu of a completed Form CT-12F.

File Form CT-12S if the organization is a split-interest trust that holds assets for the benefit of both charitable and non-charitable beneficiaries.

If the organization does not fit within any of the above categories, file Form CT-12.

The Form year should match the starting year of the fiscal period covered by the report.

Due Date

The Form, all required attachments and schedules, and payment of fees are due in the Charitable Activities Section's office no later than 4 months and 15 days after the end of the

organization's fiscal year. If the due date falls on a weekend or legal holiday, the due date is the next business day.

The Charitable Activities Section does not use the postmark date to determine whether an organization has filed timely. Instead, filings are considered to have been made timely if they are physically received 5 or less business days after the due date. All filings received more than 5 days after the due date will be assessed a late charge. See Instruction 15 Late Fees.

Extensions for Filing and Paying Fees

An organization may apply for an extension of time to file. Extension requests must be received on or before the due date of the report to avoid a late fee. The maximum available extension period is 180 days. An extension to file is also an extension to pay any associated fees. Therefore, estimated payments should not be included with extension requests.

Extensions may be requested through the Department of Justice web site at <http://www.doj.state.or.us/charigroup/howtoextend.shtml>. Follow the instructions carefully to ensure that the Charitable Activities Section receives your request. Please contact our office if you have any questions about the on-line extension process or are experiencing difficulties with your on-line request.

The organization may also submit a written extension request **so long as the Charitable Activities Section receives the request on or before the due date of the report**. The organization should include the reason why additional time is necessary in the written request. Sending the Charitable Activities Section a copy of organization's federal extension request on Form 8868 is also sufficient to obtain an extension for the period covered by the Form. The organization's 4 or 5-digit registration number should be noted on the top of all extension requests. If you would like acknowledgement that your extension request has been received, you should enclose an additional copy of the request and a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

The Charitable Activities Section will not provide formal notice that the organization's extension request has been approved. Instead, the organization should assume that its extension request has been granted unless you hear

otherwise from our office. In the event your request is denied, to avoid a late fee, the annual report must be submitted by the later of the due date or within 10 days after the organization receives notice of denial of the requested extension.

Important Note - An extension request filed with the IRS or the Oregon Department of Revenue does NOT act as an extension with the Charitable Activities Section unless a copy is submitted to the Charitable Activities Section by the due date.

Record Keeping

Please retain a copy of this report and all supporting documentation for at least five years after the due date.

Rounding and Blank Lines

Round all amounts on the report to the nearest whole dollar. Drop amounts under 50 cents and increase amounts from 50 to 99 cents to the next whole dollar.

Do not leave any line blank. Write "N/A," "\$0," or "none" where appropriate.

Recent Changes and Updates

Important information regarding Social Security numbers (SSNs) – Forms submitted to this office become a public record. In order to protect the privacy of named individuals, you should redact any SSNs (if used) from copies of any IRS forms submitted.

The Charitable Activities Section will now accept an initial extension request for the maximum allowable extension period of 180 days, although organizations are encouraged to file reports as soon as they are able to do so. Formerly, the Section followed IRS procedures in limiting the initial extension period to 90 days and requiring a 2nd request to be filed to obtain the total maximum extension of 180 days. See the preceding section of these instructions for complete information on how to apply for an extension.

ORS 128.670(7) requires that all registered charitable organizations must pay an annual fee tied to the organization's revenue. The lowest fee is \$10, for revenue of less than \$25,000.

A minimum late fee of \$20 will be charged for reports or payments not received by their due date. However, the late fee may be more than \$20 depending on how long the report or payment is overdue. See Instruction 15 for additional details.

How to Contact the Charitable Activities Section

To obtain blank forms, technical assistance or information about a charitable organization, contact the Charitable Activities Section or visit our web site at:

Charitable Activities Section
Oregon Department of Justice
1515 SW 5th Ave, Suite 410
Portland, OR 97201-5451
Phone: (971)673-1880
TTY: (800)735-2900
Fax: (971)673-1882
E-Mail: charitable.activities@doj.state.or.us
Web site: <http://www.doj.state.or.us>

Where to File

Send completed Forms and any corresponding payment of fees to the above address. The Charitable Activities Section does not accept the electronic filing of Forms.

Line Instructions

Section I.

General Information

1. Missing or Incorrect Information

The Charitable Activities Section sends a Form preprinted with name, address, contact information and registration number to all registered organizations. If the organization has received one of these preprinted Forms, provide any missing or corrected information. If the organization is completing a blank Form, provide the requested information in this section.

Name Changes

If applicable, write the organization's new legal name. Attach a copy of the filed amended articles of incorporation, Corporation Division acknowledgement letter with amended articles attached, or trust document that changed the organization name.

Address and Phone Number Changes

If applicable, write the new address where mail for the organization should be directed in the

future. If applicable, write the new daytime phone number and fax machine number for the organization.

Accounting Year Changes

If applicable, write the organization's new or short reporting period. Preprinted forms will note the subsequent accounting period to that reported in the prior year. If the organization has changed its fiscal year or is filing a final report for a period less than 12 months, the shortened period covered by the report must be noted here.

Important Note—If the organization is filing a final report, see the instructions for line 6 for dissolution requirements.

Important Note—If the organization is filing a shortened report due to a change in fiscal year, see the instructions for line 13 for calculation of prorated Net Assets or Fund Balances fee.

Amended Reports

If amending previously submitted information for the same accounting period, check the amended report box. Either complete a blank form that includes the amended information or provide a copy of the previously submitted form that clearly shows what information is being amended. Submit any additional fee due with the amended report. The Charitable Activities Section will mail any refund within 60 days from the receipt of an amended report. A \$25 refund processing fee will be assessed.

2. Independent Audit

Check yes if the organization had an independent audit of its financial records performed by a certified public accountant. **Attach a copy of the auditor's report, the financial statements, the accompanying notes, schedules, or management letters supplementing the report or financial statements.**

If instead of an audit, the organization had its financial records either reviewed or compiled by a certified public accountant there is no requirement to submit a copy of the related reports. However, the Charitable Activities Section encourages voluntary submission of review and compilation reports which will be maintained in our files that are available for public inspection.

3. Professional / Commercial Fund-Raising

Check yes if the organization entered into a contract with a for-profit company or a mutual benefit nonprofit company to conduct in-person, advertising, vending machine, or telephone solicitations on its behalf. **Write the name(s) of the fund-raising firm(s) in the space provided.**

4. Disclosure of Legal Action

Check yes if the organization or any officer, director, trustee or key employee of the organization has ever been involved in a voluntary agreement with any government agency, such as a state attorney general, secretary of state, or local district attorney, or in a legal action in any court regarding charitable solicitation, administration, management, or fiduciary practices. This includes assurances of voluntary compliance or discontinuance involving the organization or any other proceeding in which the organization or any current officer, director, trustee, or key employee is subject to any injunction, order, or pending action relating to the solicitation of contributions, or administration of charitable assets. **Attach copies of agreements and/or explanations.**

5. Amendments to Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, Trust Documents, or Tax-Exempt Status

Check yes if during the reporting period the organization amended its articles of incorporation, bylaws, or trust documents, or if the IRS issued a new tax-exempt status ruling for the organization.

Important Note—Attach copies of amendments to articles of incorporation bearing the Secretary of State's file stamp or Corporation Division acknowledgement letter with amended articles attached, signed and dated copies of amended bylaws, amended trust documents, and/or IRS determination letters.

6. Final Report

Check yes if this is the final report for the organization.

If the organization is a corporation and is dissolving, the Charitable Activities Section must be notified in writing 20 days prior to the dissolution or the distribution of the organization's assets. This notification may be done either through a letter or submission of a completed Closing Form which can be obtained by contacting the Charitable Activities Section or from our web site. Notification must include the disposition of assets including the name, address, phone number, and contact person of each organization that will receive any remaining assets and the amount of the assets involved or a copy of the minutes of the board meeting that approved the dissolution containing the same information.

If the organization is a corporation and is filing a final report for a reason other than a dissolution, such as the discontinuance of soliciting contributions, holding assets or conducting charitable activities in Oregon, there are similar notification requirements regarding the disposition of the charitable assets.

If the organization is a trust and is filing a final report for any reason, the Charitable Activities Section should be contacted for specific instructions and requirements related to closing procedures.

A final report must reflect the financial transactions of the charitable organization from the day after the close of its last accounting period to the date of the disposition of all remaining assets, and it must be filed within four months and 15 days after such termination.

Important Note—Dissolving corporations must submit a copy of any articles of dissolution filed with the Corporation Division in addition to the information required above. If articles of dissolution have not been filed, then the anticipated date of dissolution must be provided.

Important Note—The organization must submit this information even if the distribution of assets has already occurred.

7. Who Keeps the Books?

Indicate the person to be contacted if the organization's books need to be accessed for information or review. Either a business or personal phone number and mailing address are acceptable.

8. Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Other Key Employees

List each person who was an officer, director, trustee, or key employee (defined below) of the organization at any time during the year even if they are a volunteer and do not receive any compensation from the organization. Give the daytime phone number and preferred mailing address at which officers, etc., want the Charitable Activities Section to contact them. Use an attachment if there are more persons to list than there are lines available.

A failure to fully complete this part can subject the organization to penalties for filing an incomplete Form.

If an IRS form is attached that includes substantially the same information, the phrase "See IRS Form" may be entered in lieu of completing this section only if the daytime phone number and preferred mailing address of the officers, etc. are provided either in this section or on the attached IRS form.

A "key employee" is any person having responsibilities or powers similar to those of officers, directors, or trustees. The term includes the chief management and administrative officials of an organization (such as executive director or chancellor) but does not include the heads of separate departments or smaller units within an organization.

A chief financial officer and the officer in charge of administration or program operations are both key employees if they have the authority to control the organization's activities, its finances, or both. The "heads of separate departments" reference applies to persons such as the head of the radiology department or coronary care unit of a hospital or the head of the chemistry or history or English department at a college. These persons are managers within their specific areas but not for the organization as a whole and, therefore, are not key employees.

If the organization is a public benefit corporation, it must have a minimum of three individuals serving on its board of directors.

Column (C)

If an IRS form is attached that includes complete and accurate compensation information the phrase "See IRS Form" may be entered in lieu of completing this section.

Otherwise, for each person listed, report the total amount of compensation paid or deferred for payment to a later date, including salary, fees, bonuses, benefits, taxable allowances or reimbursements, the value of noncash compensation, and severance payments.

Enter a zero in column (C) if the person was a volunteer and was not paid or did not accrue any compensation during the reporting year.

The organization may provide an attachment to explain the entire compensation package for any person listed in this part, including whether the compensation includes the payment of amounts previously deferred.

Section II.

9. Total Revenue

The Charitable Activities Section has adopted the definition for "Total Revenue" used by the Internal Revenue Service. If the organization completed one of the following IRS Forms for this reporting period, the Total Revenue figure should come from the line number listed:

- IRS Form 990, Part I, line 12 (current year)
- IRS Form 990-EZ, Part I, line 9
- IRS Form 990-PF, Part I, line 12a
- IRS Form 1041, line 9
- IRS Form 1041-A, line 9

If the organization was not required to complete one of these IRS Forms a summary of what constitutes Total Revenue is provided within these instructions. A more detailed definition can be found in the IRS instructions for the listed Forms.

"Total Revenue" includes such items as:

- contributions
- gifts

- grants
- donated real property
- donated thrift items
- membership dues & assessments
- program service revenue
- government fees & contracts
- interest income
- dividend income
- net rental gain or loss as determined by gross rental income less rental expense
- other investment income
- gain or loss on sales of assets other than inventory as calculated by gross sale price less cost or other basis
- gain or loss from special events & activities which may include bingo games, raffle events, Monte Carlo events, dinners, and door-to-door sales of merchandise as calculated by gross proceeds minus direct expenses
- gain or loss on sale of inventory as calculated by sales price less returns & allowances and the cost of goods sold
- all other sources of revenue.
- include amounts obtained from both Oregon and out of state sources.

To report contributions received in a form other than cash, use the market value as of the date of the contribution. When market value cannot be readily determined, use an appraised or estimated value.

To determine the amount of any noncash contribution that is subject to an outstanding debt, subtract the debt from the property's fair market value in assigning a value to the revenue received.

"Fair market value" is the amount a reasonable person would pay for the item at the time it was donated to the organization.

Important Note—Do not include the value of services donated to the organization, or items such as the free use of materials, equipment, or facilities in reporting Total Revenue.

Important Note—If Total Revenue is zero, attach an explanation of why Total Revenue is zero and indicate whether the organization plans to continue operations. See the instructions for line 6 if this is the organization's final report.

10. Revenue Fee

Use the Total Revenue figure from line 9 to calculate the revenue fee according to the following schedule.

Revenue Fee Schedule

Amount on Line 9		Revenue Fee	
\$ 0 -	\$ 24,999	\$ 10	
25,000 -	49,999	25	
50,000 -	99,999	45	
100,000 -	249,999	75	
250,000 -	499,999	100	
500,000 -	749,999	135	
750,000 -	999,999	170	
1,000,000 or	more	200	

The maximum amount subject to a revenue fee is \$1,000,000. The maximum revenue fee is \$200. The minimum revenue fee is \$10, even if total revenue is zero or a negative amount.

11. Net Assets or Fund Balances at the End of the Reporting Period

The Charitable Activities Section has adopted the definitions for “Net Assets” and “Fund Balances” used by the Internal Revenue Service. If the organization completed one of the following IRS Forms for this reporting period, the Net Assets or Fund Balances figure should come from the line number listed:

- IRS Form 990, Part I, line 22 (end of year)
- IRS Form 990-EZ, Part I, line 21
- IRS Form 990-PF, Part III, line 6,
- IRS Form 1041-A, Part IV, line 45, column (b)

If the organization was not required to complete one of these IRS Forms a summary of what constitutes Net Assets or Fund Balances is provided within these instructions. A more detailed definition can be found in the IRS instructions for the listed Forms.

Net Assets and Fund Balances refer to the organization’s assets minus liabilities.

“Assets” are items of value to the organization, such as cash, receivables less any allowance for doubtful accounts, inventory, prepaid expenses, investments, land, buildings & equipment less any accumulated depreciation if the organization records depreciation.

“Liabilities” are the amount of debts and obligations owed by the organization, such as accounts payable, accrued expenses, deferred revenue, loans, and mortgages.

The general deciding factor on how an organization classifies its excess assets over liabilities as either Net Assets or Fund Balances is determined by whether the Financial Accounting Standard Board’s *Financial Statements of Not-for-Profit Organizations (SFAS 117)* is followed.

12. Net Fixed Assets Used to Conduct Charitable Activities

Enter the amount of the organization’s Net Fixed Assets that were held for use in the operation of charitable activities at the end of the reporting period.

The Charitable Activities Section defines “Net Fixed Assets” as the organization’s book value (cost or other basis less any accumulated depreciation) of all owned land, buildings, and equipment.

The following instructions provide guidance on how to calculate Net Fixed Assets and where the

amount may be located on the organization’s tax return.

When filling out Line 12, it is important to only include those Net Fixed Assets that are used to conduct charitable activities and are not held for investment or for use in income-producing activities. This may require entering an amount that is less than the organization’s Total Net Fixed Assets.

If the organization completed one of the following IRS Forms for this reporting period and all its Net Fixed Assets are held for use in conducting charitable activities, the figure should come from the line number listed:

- IRS Form 990, Part X, line 10c
- IRS Form 990-EZ, Part II, line 23B
- IRS Form 990-PF, Part II, line 14b
- IRS Form 1041-A, Part IV, line 36b-b

If the organization was not required to complete one of these IRS Forms, this figure will need to be calculated from the organization’s accounting records.

Important Note—Do not include undeveloped land or assets used in income-producing activities, such as: rental property, investment assets, assets used to conduct bingo games, or for-profit subsidiary assets.

13. Amount Subject to Net Assets or Fund Balances Fee

Subtract line 12 from line 11. If the result is less than \$50,000 enter \$0 on line 13. If the result is more than \$10,000,000 enter \$10,000,000.

Example #1	line 11	\$ 100,000	
	line 12	(25,000)	
		75,000	
	line 13		<u>\$ 75,000</u>
Example #2	line 11	\$ 100,000	
	line 12	(80,000)	
		20,000	
	line 13		<u>\$ 0</u>
Example #3	line 11	\$ 100,000	
	line 12	(150,000)	
		(50,000)	
	line 13		<u>\$ 0</u>

Important Note—If the organization is filing a short report of less than one year due to a change in accounting periods, the amount entered on line 13 should be prorated by the number of months covered by the report. To determine the prorated amount, divide the amount determined above by 12 and multiply by the number of months covered by the short report. No similar proration should be made if the short report is due to the initial or final reporting period.

14. Net Assets or Fund Balances Fee

Multiply the amount subject to a Net Assets or Fund Balances fee from line 13 by .0001 and enter this figure on line 14. Round to the nearest whole dollar. If the result is less than \$5 enter

\$0. If the amount is more than \$1,000 enter \$1,000.

15. Late Fees

If the report is not filed or the fee is not paid by the due date (or the extended due date), an initial late fee of \$20 will be due. If the report or payment remains outstanding more than 13 months past the end of the fiscal year covered by the report, the late fee will increase to \$50. If the delinquency is not corrected within 16 months of the end of the fiscal year covered by the report, the late fee increases to \$100.

Late Fee Schedule

Fiscal Year End Dates	Late Report Received Before This Date	Late Report Received Between These Dates	Late Report Received After This Date
Late Fee:	\$20	\$50	\$100
12/31/08	2/1/10	2/1/10-4/30/10	4/30/10
1/31/09	3/1/10	3/1/10-5/31/10	5/31/10
2/29/09	4/1/10	4/1/10-6/30/10	6/30/10
3/31/09	5/1/10	5/1/10-7/31/10	7/31/10
4/30/09	6/1/10	6/1/10-8/31/10	8/31/10
5/31/09	7/1/10	7/1/10-9/30/10	9/30/10
6/30/09	8/1/10	8/1/10-10/31/10	10/31/10
7/31/09	9/1/10	9/1/10-11/30/10	11/30/10
8/31/09	10/1/10	10/1/10-12/31/10	12/31/10
9/30/09	11/1/10	11/1/10-1/31/11	1/31/11
10/31/09	12/1/10	12/1/10-2/28/11	2/28/11
11/30/09	1/1/11	1/1/11-3/31/11	3/31/11

The above late fees apply automatically. The Department has the authority to obtain additional civil penalties against the organization and its officers and directors or take other administrative action in connection with the failure to file timely reports.

16. Total Amount Due

Add lines 10, 14, and 15. This is the total amount due. Make check or money order payable to the “Oregon Department of Justice”. Do not send cash. Mail payment together with the report to:

Charitable Activities Section
Oregon Department of Justice
1515 SW 5th Avenue, Suite 410
Portland, Oregon 97201-5451

Important Note—Indicate on the check the organization’s 4 or 5-digit Oregon Department

of Justice registration number. The registration number is located on line 1 of the preprinted Form CT-12 or can be obtained by contacting the Charitable Activities Section.

17. IRS Forms, Schedules, and Attachments

All corporations and trusts must attach a complete copy of all Forms, supporting schedules, and attachments filed with the IRS, except publicly-supported charities are not required to attach Schedule B, Listing of Contributors.

Even if your organization is not required to file a Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF with the IRS, if the organization's revenues or net assets exceed certain thresholds, it may be required to complete one of these forms for Oregon purposes to meet the Charitable Activities Section's filing requirements. Refer to the table below to determine the IRS form the organization must complete for Oregon purposes. If the organization has not filed the form with the IRS, it should be noted on the form that it is for Oregon purposes only.

Total Revenue or Net Assets	Form required for Oregon purposes
Total Revenue of at least \$25,000 but less than \$1 million	IRS Form 990 or 990-EZ
Total Revenue of \$1 million or more	IRS Form 990
Net Assets or Fund Balances of at least \$50,000 but less than \$2.5 million	IRS Form 990 or 990-EZ
Net Assets or Fund Balances of \$2.5 million or more	IRS Form 990

Furthermore, all organizations holding tax-exempt status under I.R.C. §501(c)(3) or §4947(a)(1) must also complete and submit Schedule A of IRS Form 990 and 990-EZ even if the Schedule was not required by the IRS.

Provided the organization's Net Assets are less than \$50,000, if its Total Revenue for the year exceeded \$25,000, but it filed an IRS Form 990-N because its average revenues are generally less than \$25,000, the organization may submit a copy of its 990-N filing in lieu of completing a 990-EZ or 990 for Oregon purposes. Our office will contact the organization if additional information is required.

Important Note—Corporations that filed Form 1120 or 1120-A with the IRS are not exempted from the requirement to complete Form 990 or 990-EZ and Schedule A for Oregon purposes as specified in the preceding paragraphs.

Important Note—Organizations which file Form 990 or 990-EZ with the IRS are not required to attach any schedule of contributors to filings with the Charitable Activities Section. Therefore, there is no requirement to attach

Schedule B or any list of contributors reported within Schedule A. However, if voluntarily submitted, this information may be made available for public inspection.

This exclusion does not apply to Form 990-PF filers who must submit their schedule of contributors.

Important Note for CPAs/Paid Preparers/Beneficiaries – Forms submitted to this office become a public record. In order to protect the privacy of named individuals, you should redact Social Security Numbers (if used) from the copy of the IRS Form 990/990-EZ/990-PF/5227/1041-A (Schedule K) submitted to this office.

Important Note for small tax-exempt organizations – Beginning in 2008, small tax-exempt organizations will have a new IRS filing requirement. The filing is short, easy and electronic and is called the e-Postcard (Form 990-N). If you are a tax-exempt organization that normally has annual gross receipts of \$25,000 or less and does not have to file Form 990 or 990EZ with the IRS, you must file the e-Postcard. The e-Postcard is due by the 15th day of the fifth month after the close of your tax year. So if your organization operates on a calendar year, the e-Postcard is due by May 15 the following year. Failure to file may cause the organization to lose tax-exempt status. If you think this new filing requirement may apply to your organization, go to <http://www.irs.gov/eo> for complete details.

Signature Block

To make the return complete, an authorized officer must sign in the space provided. For a corporation, this officer may be the president, vice president, treasurer, assistant treasurer, chief financial officer, or other corporate officer, such as tax officer. A receiver, trustee, or assignee must sign any return he or she files for a trust. Signature stamps and labels are not acceptable.

In the paid preparer's information section, include the name, daytime phone number, and address of any person who was paid by the organization to complete this report.

Contact the Following Agencies for Assistance

Charitable Activities Section

Oregon Department of Justice
1515 SW 5th Avenue, Suite 410
Portland, Oregon 97201-5451
phone: (971)673-1880
TTY: (800)735-2900
fax: (971)673-1882
e-mail: charitable.activities@doj.state.or.us
web site: <http://www.doj.state.or.us>

Issues

- Questions about annual reports for charitable organizations-Forms CT-12, CT-12F, and CT-12S
- Registration of charitable corporations or trusts
- Merging nonprofit organizations
- Dissolving nonprofit organizations
- Reporting illegal activity by nonprofit organizations
- Serving as a board member of a nonprofit organization
- Information about charitable organizations and copies of annual reports

Forms

- RF-C, Registration Form for Charitable Corporations
- RF-T, Registration Form for Trusts
- CT-12, Annual Report Form for Domestic Operating Charities
- CT-12F, Annual Report Form for Foreign Charities
- CT-12S, Annual Report Form for Domestic Trusts with Non-Charitable Beneficiaries
- Closing Form

Publications

- Oregon Wise Giving Guide
- Oregon Business Giving Guide
- A Guide to Non-Profit Board Service in Oregon

Oregon Revised Statutes

- Chapter #65, Nonprofit Corporations
- Chapter #128, Trusts; Charitable Activities
- Chapter #130, Uniform Trust Code
- Chapter #464, Games
- Chapter #646, Trade Practices & Antitrust Regulation

Oregon Administrative Rules

- Chapter #137-010-0005 *et seq.*

Internal Revenue Service

phone: (877)829-5500
web site: <http://www.irs.gov>

Issues

- Obtaining federal tax-exempt status
- Completing federal tax forms

Forms

- 990, Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax
- 990-EZ, Short Form - Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax
- Schedule A, for Form 990 and 990-EZ
- 990-PF, Return of Private Foundation
- 990-T, Exempt Organization Business Income Tax Return
- 1023, Application for Recognition of Exemption Under §501(c)(3)
- 1024, Application for Recognition of Exemption Under §501(a)
- 1041, U.S. Income Tax Return for Estates and Trusts
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- Pub. 538, Accounting Periods and Methods
- Pub. 557, Tax-Exempt Status for Your Organization
- Pub. 583 Starting a Business and Keeping Records
- Pub. 598 Tax on Unrelated Business Income of Exempt Organizations
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