

# Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

# 2011

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Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code  
(except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)**

- ▶ Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds, organizations that operate one or more hospital facilities, and certain controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990 (see instructions). All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$200,000 and total assets less than \$500,000 at the end of the year may use this form.
- ▶ *The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.*

<b>A</b> For the 2011 calendar year, or tax year beginning		, and ending	
<b>B</b> Check if applicable:		<b>C</b> Name of organization	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Address change	FLORIDA CENTER FOR INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING CORP		<b>D</b> Employer identification number
<input type="checkbox"/> Name change			27-1187698
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Initial return	Number and street (or P.O. box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite		<b>E</b> Telephone number
<input type="checkbox"/> Terminated	P.O. BOX 76248		(305) 520-9621
<input type="checkbox"/> Amended return	City or town state or country ZIP + 4		<b>F</b> Group Exemption Number ▶
<input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	ST PETERSBURG FL 33734-6248		
<b>G</b> Accounting Method: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Accrual Other (specify) ▶		<b>H</b> Check <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).	
<b>I</b> Website: ▶ <a href="http://www.fcir.org">www.fcir.org</a>			
<b>J</b> Tax-exempt status (check only one) — <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			

**K** Check  if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization or a section 527 organization and its gross receipts are normally not more than \$50,000. A Form 990-EZ or Form 990 return is not required though Form 990-N (e-postcard) may be required (see instructions). But if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return.

**L** Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets (Part II, line 25, column (B) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ . . . . . ▶ \$ 178,444

**Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances** (see the instructions for Part I.)  
Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I . . . . .

<b>Revenue</b>	<b>1</b> Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received . . . . .	<b>1</b>	172,371
	<b>2</b> Program service revenue including government fees and contracts . . . . .	<b>2</b>	5,987
	<b>3</b> Membership dues and assessments . . . . .	<b>3</b>	
	<b>4</b> Investment income . . . . .	<b>4</b>	86
	<b>5a</b> Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory . . . . .	<b>5a</b>	
	<b>b</b> Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses . . . . .	<b>5b</b>	
	<b>c</b> Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a) . . . . .	<b>5c</b>	0
	<b>6</b> Gaming and fundraising events		
	<b>a</b> Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000) . . . . .	<b>6a</b>	
<b>b</b> Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000) . . . . .	<b>6b</b>		
<b>c</b> Less: direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events . . . . .	<b>6c</b>		
<b>d</b> Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c) . . . . .	<b>6d</b>	0	
<b>7a</b> Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances . . . . .	<b>7a</b>		
<b>b</b> Less: cost of goods sold . . . . .	<b>7b</b>		
<b>c</b> Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a) . . . . .	<b>7c</b>	0	
<b>8</b> Other revenue (describe in Schedule O) . . . . .	<b>8</b>		
<b>9</b> <b>Total revenue.</b> Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8 . . . . . ▶	<b>9</b>	178,444	
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>10</b> Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O) . . . . .	<b>10</b>	
	<b>11</b> Benefits paid to or for members . . . . .	<b>11</b>	
	<b>12</b> Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits . . . . .	<b>12</b>	34,696
	<b>13</b> Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors . . . . .	<b>13</b>	15,715
	<b>14</b> Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance . . . . .	<b>14</b>	
	<b>15</b> Printing, publications, postage, and shipping . . . . .	<b>15</b>	14
	<b>16</b> Other expenses (describe in Schedule O) . . . . .	<b>16</b>	6,747
<b>17</b> <b>Total expenses.</b> Add lines 10 through 16 . . . . . ▶	<b>17</b>	57,172	
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>18</b> Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9) . . . . .	<b>18</b>	121,272
	<b>19</b> Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return) . . . . .	<b>19</b>	
	<b>20</b> Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O) . . . . .	<b>20</b>	
	<b>21</b> Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20 . . . . . ▶	<b>21</b>	121,272

# Application for Extension of Time To File an Exempt Organization Return

(Rev. January 2012)

OMB No. 1545-1709

Department of the Treasury  
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► **File a separate application for each return.**

- If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension, complete only Part I** and check this box . . . . .
- If you are filing for an **Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension, complete only Part II** (on page 2 of this form).

**Do not complete Part II unless** you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.

**Electronic filing (e-file).** You can electronically file Form 8868 if you need a 3-month automatic extension of time to file (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T), or an additional (not automatic) 3-month extension of time. You can electronically file Form 8868 to request an extension of time to file any of the forms listed in Part I or Part II with the exception of Form 8870, Information Return for Transfers Associated With Certain Personal Benefit Contracts, which must be sent to the IRS in paper format (see instructions). For more details on the electronic filing of this form, visit [www.irs.gov/efile](http://www.irs.gov/efile) and click on *e-file for Charities & Nonprofits*.

**Part I Automatic 3-Month Extension of Time.** Only submit original (no copies needed).

A corporation required to file Form 990-T and requesting an automatic 6-month extension—check this box and complete Part I only . . . . .

All other corporations (including 1120-C filers), partnerships, REMICs, and trusts must use Form 7004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns.

		Enter filer's identifying number, see instructions	
Type or print File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions.	Name of exempt organization or other filer, see instructions. FLORIDA CENTER FOR INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING CORP	Employer identification number (EIN) or	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 27-1187698
	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions. P.O. BOX 76248	Social security number (SSN)	<input type="checkbox"/>
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions. ST PETERSBURG FL 33734-6248		

Enter the Return code for the return that this application is for (file a separate application for each return) . . . . .

Application Is For	Return Code	Application Is For	Return Code
Form 990	01	Form 990-T (corporation)	07
Form 990-BL	02	Form 1041-A	08
Form 990-EZ	01	Form 4720	09
Form 990-PF	04	Form 5227	10
Form 990-T (sec. 401(a) or 408(a) trust)	05	Form 6069	11
Form 990-T (trust other than above)	06	Form 8870	12

• The books are in the care of ► TREVOR AARONSON .....

Telephone No. ► (813) 421-0195 ..... FAX No. ► .....

• If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box . . . . .

• If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) ..... If this is for the whole group, check this box . . . . .  . If it is for part of the group, check this box. . . . .  and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension is for.

- I request an automatic 3-month (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T) extension of time until 8/15/2012 , to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for:
  - calendar year 2011 or
  - tax year beginning ....., and ending .....
- If the tax year entered in line 1 is for less than 12 months, check reason:  Initial return  Final return  Change in accounting period

<b>3a</b> If this application is for Form 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions.	<b>3a</b>	\$
<b>b</b> If this application is for Form 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit.	<b>3b</b>	\$
<b>c Balance due.</b> Subtract line 3b from line 3a. Include your payment with this form, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions.	<b>3c</b>	\$

**Caution.** If you are going to make an electronic fund withdrawal with this Form 8868, see Form 8453-EO and Form 8879-EO for payment instructions.

**For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see Instructions.**

- If you are filing for an **Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension, complete only Part II** and check this box . . . . .  **X**
- Note.** Only complete Part II if you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.
- If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension, complete only Part I** (on page 1).

**Part II Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension of Time.** Only file the original (no copies needed).

Enter filer's identifying number, see instructions

<b>Type or print</b>  <small>File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions.</small>	Name of exempt organization <b>FLORIDA CENTER FOR INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING CORP</b>	Employer identification number (EIN) or <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>27-1187698</b>
	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions. <b>P.O. BOX 76248</b>	Social security number (SSN) <input type="checkbox"/>
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions. <b>ST PETERSBURG FL 33734-6248</b>	

Enter the Return code for the return that this application is for (file a separate application for each return) . . . . .

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Form 990-T (trust other than above)	06	Form 8870	12

**STOP! Do not complete Part II if you were not already granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.**

- The books are in the care of  **TREVOR AARONSON**  
Telephone No.  **(813) 421-0195** FAX No.
- If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box . . . . .
- If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) \_\_\_\_\_ . If this is for the whole group, check this box . . . . .  . If it is for part of the group, check this box . . . . .  and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension is for.

- I request an additional 3-month extension of time until 11/15/2012
- For calendar year 2011, or other tax year beginning \_\_\_\_\_, and ending \_\_\_\_\_
- If the tax year entered in line 5 is for less than 12 months, check reason:  Initial return  Final return  
 Change in accounting period
- State in detail why you need the extension MORE TIME IS REQUESTED TO ACQUIRE ALL INFORMATION NEEDED TO COMPLETE AND FILE AN ACCURATE RETURN

<b>8a</b> If this application is for Form 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions.	<b>8a</b>	\$
<b>b</b> If this application is for Form 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit and any amount paid previously with Form 8868.	<b>8b</b>	\$
<b>c Balance due.</b> Subtract line 8b from line 8a. Include your payment with this form, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions.	<b>8c</b>	\$

**Signature and Verification must be completed for Part II only.**

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this form, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete, and that I am authorized to prepare this form.

Signature  Title  Date

**Part II Balance Sheets.** (see the instructions for Part II.)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II.

	(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year	
<b>22</b> Cash, savings, and investments . . . . .		<b>22</b>	121,272
<b>23</b> Land and buildings . . . . .		<b>23</b>	
<b>24</b> Other assets (describe in Schedule O) . . . . .		<b>24</b>	
<b>25 Total assets</b> . . . . .	0	<b>25</b>	121,272
<b>26 Total liabilities</b> (describe in Schedule O) . . . . .		<b>26</b>	
<b>27 Net assets or fund balances</b> (line 27 of column (B) <b>must</b> agree with line 21) . . . . .	0	<b>27</b>	121,272

**Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments** (see the instructions for Part III.)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III.

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? Encourage good government through journalism  
 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title.

**Expenses**  
 (Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts; optional for others.)

<b>28</b> PRODUCED SEVERAL AWARD-WINNING INVESTIGATIVE REPORTS IN PARTNERSHIP WITH VARIOUS MEDIA ORGANIZATIONS. (Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>28a</b>	15,349
<b>29</b> TRAINED JOURNALISTS IN THE U.S. AND LATIN AMERICA IN INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING AND DATA JOURNALISM TECHNIQUES (Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>29a</b>	
<b>30</b> HOSTED INTERNSHIP PROGRAMS AT FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY (Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>30a</b>	
<b>31</b> Other program services (describe in Schedule O) . . . . . (Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>31a</b>	
<b>32 Total program service expenses.</b> (add lines 28a through 31a) . . . . .	<b>32</b>	15,349

**Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees.** List each one even if not compensated. (see the instructions for Part IV.)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part IV.

(a) Name and address	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC) (if not paid, enter -0-.)	(d) Health benefits contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
SHARON ROSENHAUSE PO BOX 76248 ST. PETERSBURG FL 33734-6248	Title PRESIDENT Hr/WK 8.00	0		
JOE ADAMS PO BOX 76248 ST. PETERSBURG FL 33734-6248	Title TREASURER Hr/WK 1.00	0		
JIM BALTZELLE PO BOX 76248 ST. PETERSBURG FL 33734-6248	Title DIRECTOR Hr/WK 1.00	0		
GREGG D. THOMAS PO BOX 76248 ST. PETERSBURG FL 33734-6248	Title DIRECTOR Hr/WK 1.00	0		
DR. STEPHANIE TRIPP PO BOX 76248 ST. PETERSBURG FL 33734-6248	Title DIRECTOR Hr/WK 1.00	0		
MERCEDES VIGON PO BOX 76248 ST. PETERSBURG FL 33734-6248	Title DIRECTOR Hr/WK 1.00	0		
MATT WAITE PO BOX 76248 ST. PETERSBURG FL 33734-6248	Title DIRECTOR Hr/WK 1.00	0		
TREVOR AARONSON PO BOX 76248 ST. PETERSBURG FL 33734-6248	Title ASSOCIATE DIRE Hr/WK 40.00	12,953		
MC NELLY COLON-TORRES PO BOX 76248 ST. PETERSBURG FL 33734-6248	Title ASSOCIATE DIRE Hr/WK 40.00	16,362		
	Title Hr/WK .00	0		
	Title Hr/WK .00	0		
	Title Hr/WK .00	0		

**Part V Other Information** (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in the instructions for Part V.) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V.

		Yes	No
33	Did the organization engage in any significant activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O. . . . .		X
34	Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name. Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O (see instructions). . . . .		X
35 a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)? . . . . .		X
b	If "Yes," to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O . . . . .		X
c	Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III . . . . .		X
36	Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N . . . . .		X
37 a	Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions. ▶ <b>37a</b>		
b	Did the organization file <b>Form 1120-POL</b> for this year? . . . . .		X
38 a	Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the tax year covered by this return? . . . . .		X
b	If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved . . . . . <b>38b</b>		
39	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 . . . . . <b>39a</b>		
b	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities . . . . . <b>39b</b>		
40 a	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 ▶ _____ ; section 4912 ▶ _____ ; section 4955 ▶ _____		
b	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year, or did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I . . . . .		X
c	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 . . . . . ▶ _____		
d	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization . . . . . ▶ _____		
e	All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T. . . . .		X
41	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed. ▶ _____		
42 a	The organization's books are in care of ▶ <u>TREVOR AARONSON</u> Telephone no. ▶ <u>(813) 421-0195</u> Located at ▶ <u>PO BOX 76248</u> City <u>ST PETERSBURG</u> ST <u>FL</u> ZIP + 4 ▶ <u>33734-6248</u>		
b	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ _____ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for <b>Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts</b> .	Yes	No
			X
c	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside the U.S.? . . . . . If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ _____		X
43	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of <b>Form 1041</b> —Check here . . . . . ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year . . . . . ▶ <b>43</b>		
44 a	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ . . . . .		X
b	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ . . . . .		X
c	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year? . . . . .		X
d	If "Yes" to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O . . . . .		
45 a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? . . . . .		X
45 b	Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ (see instructions). . . . .		X

	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>46</b> Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I. . . . .	46	X

**Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts only.** All section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must answer questions 47–49b and 52, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51. Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI . . . . .

	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>47</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. . . . .	47	X
<b>48</b> Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E . . . . .	48	X
<b>49 a</b> Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? . . . . .	49a	X
<b>b</b> If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization? . . . . .	49b	X

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

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$100,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
Name <u>None</u> Str _____ City ST ZIP _____ Title _____ Hr/WK _____				
Name _____ Str _____ City ST ZIP _____ Title _____ Hr/WK _____				
Name _____ Str _____ City ST ZIP _____ Title _____ Hr/WK _____				
Name _____ Str _____ City ST ZIP _____ Title _____ Hr/WK _____				
Name _____ Str _____ City ST ZIP _____ Title _____ Hr/WK _____				

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

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

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
Name <u>None</u> Str _____ City ST ZIP _____		
Name _____ Str _____ City ST ZIP _____		
Name _____ Str _____ City ST ZIP _____		
Name _____ Str _____ City ST ZIP _____		
Name _____ Str _____ City ST ZIP _____		

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

**52** Did the organization complete Schedule A? **Note:** All section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A . . . . .  **Yes**  **No**

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

<b>Sign Here</b>	Signature of officer _____	Date _____
	Type or print name and title _____	

<b>Paid Preparer Use Only</b>	Print/Type preparer's name BRYAN ZINK, CPA	Preparer's signature BRYAN ZINK, CPA	Date 11/15/2012	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN P01360622
	Firm's name <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BRYAN ZINK, CPA, PA	Firm's EIN <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 59-3470452			
	Firm's address <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4121 EMPEDRADO ST., TAMPA, FL 33629	Phone no. (813) 837-3380			

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

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

**Public Charity Status and Public Support**

OMB No. 1545-0047

**2011**

**Open to Public Inspection**

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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. ▶ See separate instructions.

Name of the organization <b>FLORIDA CENTER FOR INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING CORP</b>	Employer identification number <b>27-1187698</b>
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**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 11, 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.)
- 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 organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2)**. (Complete Part III.)
- 10  An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4)**.
- 11  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 that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h.
  - a  Type I      b  Type II      c  Type III—Functionally integrated      d  Type III—Other
- e  By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2).
- f If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, or Type III supporting organization, check this box
- g Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons?

	Yes	No
(i) A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (ii) and (iii) below, the governing body of the supported organization? . . . . .	11g(i)	
(ii) A family member of a person described in (i) above? . . . . .	11g(ii)	
(iii) A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above? . . . . .	11g(iii)	

**h** Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1–9 above or IRC section (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization in col. (i) listed in your governing document?		(v) Did you notify the organization in col. (i) of your support?		(vi) Is the organization in col. (i) organized in the U.S.?		(vii) Amount of support
			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
(A)									
(B)									
(C)									
(D)									
(E)									
<b>Total</b>									

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

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2007	(b) 2008	(c) 2009	(d) 2010	(e) 2011	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.") . . . . .					172,371	172,371
<b>2</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf . . . . .						0
<b>3</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge . . . . .						0
<b>4 Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 3 . . . . .	0	0	0	0	172,371	172,371
<b>5</b> The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f) . . . . .						
<b>6 Public support.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4.						172,371

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2007	(b) 2008	(c) 2009	(d) 2010	(e) 2011	(f) Total
<b>7</b> Amounts from line 4 . . . . .	0	0	0	0	172,371	172,371
<b>8</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources . . . . .					86	86
<b>9</b> Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on . . . . .						0
<b>10</b> Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.) . . . . .						0
<b>11 Total support.</b> Add lines 7 through 10 . . . . .						172,457
<b>12</b> Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions) . . . . .					<b>12</b>	5,987
<b>13 First five years.</b> If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and <b>stop here</b> . . . . .						<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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

<b>14</b> Public support percentage for 2011 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f)) . . . . .	<b>14</b>	0.00%
<b>15</b> Public support percentage from 2010 Schedule A, Part II, line 14 . . . . .	<b>15</b>	0.00%
<b>16a 33 1/3% support test—2011.</b> If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . .		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>b 33 1/3% support test—2010.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . .		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2011.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . .		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2010.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . .		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>18 Private foundation.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions . . . . .		<input type="checkbox"/>



**Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)**

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 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) 2007	(b) 2008	(c) 2009	(d) 2010	(e) 2011	(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) 2007	(b) 2008	(c) 2009	(d) 2010	(e) 2011	(f) Total
<b>9</b> Amounts from line 6 . . . . .						
<b>10a</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
<b>b</b> Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975 . . . . .						
<b>c</b> Add lines 10a and 10b . . . . .						
<b>11</b> Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on . . . . .						
<b>12</b> Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.) . . . . .						
<b>13 Total support.</b> (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.) . . . . .						

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

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

<b>15</b> Public support percentage for 2011 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) . . . . .	<b>15</b>	
<b>16</b> Public support percentage from 2010 Schedule A, Part III, line 15 . . . . .	<b>16</b>	

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

<b>17</b> Investment income percentage for 2011 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) . . . . .	<b>17</b>	
<b>18</b> Investment income percentage from 2010 Schedule A, Part III, line 17 . . . . .	<b>18</b>	

**19a 33 1/3% support tests—2011.** If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . . ►

**b 33 1/3% support tests—2010.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . . ►

**20 Private foundation.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions . . . . . ►



**Schedule B**  
**(Form 990, 990-EZ,**  
**or 990-PF)**

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**Schedule of Contributors**

▶ **Attach to Form 990, Form 990-EZ, or Form 990-PF.**

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**2011**

**Name of the organization**

**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, \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II.

**Special Rules**

For a section 501(c)(3) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33 1/3% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) and received from any one contributor, during the year, a contribution 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 a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.

For a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but these contributions did not total to 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. Do not complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received nonexclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$5,000 or more during the year . . . . . ▶ \$ .....

**Caution.** An organization that is not covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules does not file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF), 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 Part I, line 2, of its Form 990-PF, to certify that it does not meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

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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
1	PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS 5113 STRATTON AVE. TAMPA FL 33624 Foreign State or Province: _____ Foreign Country: _____	\$ 62,410	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
2	ETHICS & EXCELLENCE IN JOURNALISM FNDN 210 PARK AVENUE, SUITE 3150 OKLAHOMA CITY OK 73102 Foreign State or Province: _____ Foreign Country: _____	\$ 100,000	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
3	_____ _____ _____ Foreign State or Province: _____ Foreign Country: _____	\$ _____	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
4	_____ _____ _____ Foreign State or Province: _____ Foreign Country: _____	\$ _____	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
5	_____ _____ _____ Foreign State or Province: _____ Foreign Country: _____	\$ _____	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
6	_____ _____ _____ Foreign State or Province: _____ Foreign Country: _____	\$ _____	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)

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**Part II Noncash Property** (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part II if additional space is needed.

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
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**Part III** **Exclusively religious, charitable, etc., individual contributions to section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organizations total more than \$1,000 for the year.** 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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(e) Transfer of gift	
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee
----- ----- ----- For. Prov.                      Country	----- ----- -----

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(e) Transfer of gift	
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee
----- ----- ----- For. Prov.                      Country	----- ----- -----

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
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(e) Transfer of gift	
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee
----- ----- ----- For. Prov.                      Country	----- ----- -----

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
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(e) Transfer of gift	
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee
----- ----- ----- For. Prov.                      Country	----- ----- -----

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

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

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

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16, Other Expenses: Travel: 1,325

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16, Other Expenses: Insurance: 5,003

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16, Other Expenses: Miscellaneous: 419

**Part I, Line 1 (990-EZ) - Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Similar Amounts Received**

1	Contributions . . . . .	1	1,761
2	Noncash contributions . . . . .	2	
3	Membership dues and assessments (contributions from the public) . . . . .	3	
4	Government contributions (grants) . . . . .	4	
5	Commercial co-venture . . . . .	5	
6	Special events contributions (Line 6 - Special Events) . . . . .	6	
7	Associated organization contributions . . . . .	7	
8	Grants	8	170,610
9		9	
10		10	
11	Total . . . . .	11	172,371

**Part I, Line 4 (990-EZ) - Investment Income**

1	Interest on savings and temporary cash investments . . . . .	1	86
2	Dividends and interest from securities . . . . .	2	
3	Gross rents . . . . .	3	
4	Other investment income . . . . .	4	
5	Total . . . . .	5	86