

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)

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Internal Revenue Service

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A For the 2020 calendar year, or tax year beginning 07/01/2020 and ending 06/30/2021																										
B Check if applicable: ☐ Address change ☐ Name change ☐ Initial return ☐ Final return/terminated ☐ Amended return ☐ Application pending	<table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td colspan="2">C Name of organization TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY OF THE CITY OF BOSTON</td> <td>D Employer identification number 04-6151731</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">Doing business as</td> <td rowspan="3">E Telephone number 617-536-5400</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address)</td> <td>Room/suite</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">700 BOYLSTON STREET</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code BOSTON, MA 02116</td> <td>G Gross receipts \$ 47,840,484</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">F Name and address of principal officer: ELLEN DONAGHEY 700 BOYLSTON STREET, BOSTON, MA 02116</td> <td> H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? ☐ Yes ☒ No H(b) Are all subordinates included? ☐ Yes ☒ No If "No," attach a list. See instructions H(c) Group exemption number ▶ </td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="3">I Tax-exempt status: ☒ 501(c)(3) ☐ 501(c) () ◀ (insert no.) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="3">J Website: ▶ WWW.BPL.ORG</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">K Form of organization: ☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other ▶</td> <td>L Year of formation: 1848 M State of legal domicile: MA</td> </tr> </table>	C Name of organization TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY OF THE CITY OF BOSTON		D Employer identification number 04-6151731	Doing business as		E Telephone number 617-536-5400	Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address)	Room/suite	700 BOYLSTON STREET		City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code BOSTON, MA 02116		G Gross receipts \$ 47,840,484	F Name and address of principal officer: ELLEN DONAGHEY 700 BOYLSTON STREET, BOSTON, MA 02116		H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? ☐ Yes ☒ No H(b) Are all subordinates included? ☐ Yes ☒ No If "No," attach a list. See instructions H(c) Group exemption number ▶	I Tax-exempt status: ☒ 501(c)(3) ☐ 501(c) () ◀ (insert no.) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527			J Website: ▶ WWW.BPL.ORG			K Form of organization: ☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other ▶		L Year of formation: 1848 M State of legal domicile: MA
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Part I Summary							
Activities & Governance	1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: The Boston Public Library provides educational and cultural enrichment free to all by engaging the public through programming and active spaces, restoring and preserving our (Continued on Schedule O, Statement 1)					
	2	Check this box ☐ if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.					
	3	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3 16				
	4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4 16				
	5	Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2020 (Part V, line 2a)	5 498				
	6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6 173				
	7a	Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a 0				
b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, Part I, line 11	7b 0					
Revenue	8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	<table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <th style="width:50%;">Prior Year</th> <th style="width:50%;">Current Year</th> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">6,181,640</td> <td style="text-align: right;">8,614,888</td> </tr> </table>	Prior Year	Current Year	6,181,640	8,614,888
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	9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	<table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <th style="width:50%;">Prior Year</th> <th style="width:50%;">Current Year</th> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">121,151</td> <td style="text-align: right;">122,454</td> </tr> </table>	Prior Year	Current Year	121,151	122,454
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10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	<table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <th style="width:50%;">Prior Year</th> <th style="width:50%;">Current Year</th> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">2,757,848</td> <td style="text-align: right;">7,254,368</td> </tr> </table>	Prior Year	Current Year	2,757,848	7,254,368	
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11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	<table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <th style="width:50%;">Prior Year</th> <th style="width:50%;">Current Year</th> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">1,892,775</td> <td style="text-align: right;">258,149</td> </tr> </table>	Prior Year	Current Year	1,892,775	258,149	
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12	Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	<table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <th style="width:50%;">Prior Year</th> <th style="width:50%;">Current Year</th> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">10,953,414</td> <td style="text-align: right;">16,249,859</td> </tr> </table>	Prior Year	Current Year	10,953,414	16,249,859	
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Expenses	13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	<table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <th style="width:50%;">Prior Year</th> <th style="width:50%;">Current Year</th> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">0</td> <td style="text-align: right;">0</td> </tr> </table>	Prior Year	Current Year	0	0
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	14	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	<table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <th style="width:50%;">Prior Year</th> <th style="width:50%;">Current Year</th> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">0</td> <td style="text-align: right;">0</td> </tr> </table>	Prior Year	Current Year	0	0
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	15	Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)	<table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <th style="width:50%;">Prior Year</th> <th style="width:50%;">Current Year</th> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">3,296,966</td> <td style="text-align: right;">3,375,807</td> </tr> </table>	Prior Year	Current Year	3,296,966	3,375,807
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16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	<table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <th style="width:50%;">Prior Year</th> <th style="width:50%;">Current Year</th> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">0</td> <td style="text-align: right;">0</td> </tr> </table>	Prior Year	Current Year	0	0	
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0	0						
b	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 0						
17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24e)	<table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <th style="width:50%;">Prior Year</th> <th style="width:50%;">Current Year</th> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">7,044,987</td> <td style="text-align: right;">6,441,673</td> </tr> </table>	Prior Year	Current Year	7,044,987	6,441,673	
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18	Total expenses. Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	<table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <th style="width:50%;">Prior Year</th> <th style="width:50%;">Current Year</th> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">10,341,953</td> <td style="text-align: right;">9,817,480</td> </tr> </table>	Prior Year	Current Year	10,341,953	9,817,480	
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19	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	<table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <th style="width:50%;">Prior Year</th> <th style="width:50%;">Current Year</th> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">611,461</td> <td style="text-align: right;">6,432,379</td> </tr> </table>	Prior Year	Current Year	611,461	6,432,379	
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Net Assets or Fund Balances	20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	<table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <th style="width:50%;">Beginning of Current Year</th> <th style="width:50%;">End of Year</th> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">79,863,386</td> <td style="text-align: right;">99,754,907</td> </tr> </table>	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year	79,863,386	99,754,907
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21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	<table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <th style="width:50%;">Beginning of Current Year</th> <th style="width:50%;">End of Year</th> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">1,257,198</td> <td style="text-align: right;">1,350,473</td> </tr> </table>	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year	1,257,198	1,350,473	
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22	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	<table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <th style="width:50%;">Beginning of Current Year</th> <th style="width:50%;">End of Year</th> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">78,606,188</td> <td style="text-align: right;">98,404,434</td> </tr> </table>	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year	78,606,188	98,404,434	
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Part II Signature Block

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

Sign Here	Signature of officer	Date			
	Ellen Donaghey, Chief Financial Officer Type or print name and title				
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check ☐ if self-employed	PTIN
	Firm's name ▶	Firm's EIN ▶			
	Firm's address ▶	Phone no.			

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

Part III Statement of Program Service AccomplishmentsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III ☒**1** Briefly describe the organization's mission:

The Boston Public Library provides educational and cultural enrichment free to all by engaging the public through programming and active spaces, restoring and preserving our history, providing access to borrow from our vast collection of books and electronic databases and other materials and caring for the Public's Special Collections.

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.**4a** (Code:) (Expenses \$ 8,351,264 including grants of \$ 0) (Revenue \$ 122,454)

The Boston Public Library (BPL) is an extraordinary institution that has served the citizens of Boston since 1848. Founded as the first municipal library and the first public library to lend books, the Boston Public Library is dedicated to the advancement of learning and is "Free to All," as is carved in the facade of the historic McKim building in Copley Square. The BPL encompasses a Central Library, twenty-five vibrant neighborhood libraries, a robust website, and classes and programs for all ages. The Library's collection of more than 23 million items includes circulating books, eBooks, DVDs, and music, as well as research and special collections that encompass rare manuscripts, prints, photographs, drawings, maps, posters, and more. The Boston Public Library's Kirstein Business Library and Innovation Center, Norman B. Leventhal Map Center, and Collections of Distinction such as the personal library of John Adams, the Anti-Slavery collection, the Thomas Pennant Barton Collection of Shakespeare, and the Boston Pictorial Archive attract researchers and scholars from across the city and around the world. In fiscal year 2021, Boston Public Library hosted 4,299 public programs reaching 336,971 people, received 6.7 million visits to its website, and loaned 5.2 million items. Of those 5.2 million lends, more than 3.9 million were digital downloads of e-books and audiobooks. In the same

(Continued on Schedule O, Statement 2)

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)**4c** (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)**4d** Other program services (Describe on Schedule O.)(Expenses \$ 0 including grants of \$ 0) (Revenue \$ 0)**4e** Total program service expenses **8,351,264**

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A	1 ✓	
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors See instructions?	2 ✓	
3 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	3	✓
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. 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	4	✓
5 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 Revenue Procedure 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III	5	✓
6 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	6	✓
7 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	7	✓
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III	8 ✓	
9 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	9	✓
10 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	10 ✓	
11 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.		
a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI	11a ✓	
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	11b	✓
c 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	11c	✓
d 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	11d	✓
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X	11e ✓	
f 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	11f	✓
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII	12a ✓	
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	12b	✓
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	13	✓
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	14a	✓
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	14b	✓
15 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	15	✓
16 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	16	✓
17 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	17	✓
18 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	18	✓
19 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	19	✓
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H	20a	✓
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?	20b	
21 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	21	✓

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III	☐	☒
23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? If "Yes," complete Schedule J	☒	☐
24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a	☐	☒
24b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	☐	☐
24c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?	☐	☐
24d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	☐	☐
25a Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	☐	☒
25b Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	☐	☒
26 Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5 or 22, for receivables from or 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II	☐	☒
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity (including an employee thereof) or family member of any of these persons? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III	☐	☒
28 Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions, for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions):	☐	☐
a A current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, or substantial contributor? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	☐	☒
b A family member of any individual described in line 28a? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	☐	☒
c A 35% controlled entity of one or more individuals and/or organizations described in lines 28a or 28b? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	☐	☒
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M	☐	☒
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M	☐	☒
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I	☐	☒
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II	☐	☒
33 Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I	☐	☒
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1	☒	☐
35a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	☐	☒
35b If "Yes" to line 35a, 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," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2	☐	☐
36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2	☐	☒
37 Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI	☐	☒
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note: All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O.	☒	☐

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax ComplianceCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V ☒

	Yes	No
1a Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable	☐	☐
1b Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable	☐	☐
1c Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	☒	☐

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance (continued)

		Yes	No
2a 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	2a 498		
b If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note: If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions)	2b	✓	
3a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	3a		✓
b If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation on Schedule O	3b		
4a 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)?	4a		✓
b If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: _____ See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).			
5a Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5a		✓
b Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5b		✓
c If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	5c		
6a 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?	6a		✓
b If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	6b		
7 Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).			
a 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?	7a		
b If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7b		
c Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7c		
d If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7d		
e Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7e		
f Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7f		
g If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7g		
h If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	7h		
8 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	8		
9 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.			
a Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?	9a		
b Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	9b		
10 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:			
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a		
b Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b		
11 Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter:			
a Gross income from members or shareholders	11a		
b Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	11b		
12a Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12a		
b If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b		
13 Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.			
a Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? Note: See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.	13a		
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	13b		
c Enter the amount of reserves on hand	13c		
14a Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14a		✓
b If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation on Schedule O	14b		
15 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 instructions and file Form 4720, Schedule N.	15		✓
16 Is the organization an educational institution subject to the section 4968 excise tax on net investment income? If "Yes," complete Form 4720, Schedule O.	16		✓

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes on Schedule O. See instructions. Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI ☒

Section A. Governing Body and Management

	1a	1b	2	3	4	5	6	7a	7b	8a	8b	9	Yes	No
1a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year	16													
If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain on Schedule O.														
b Enter the number of voting members included on line 1a, above, who are independent		16												
2 Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?			2											✓
3 Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors, trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?				3										✓
4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?					4									✓
5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?						5								✓
6 Did the organization have members or stockholders?							6							✓
7a Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?								7a						✓
b Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?									7b					✓
8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:														
a The governing body?										8a	✓			
b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?											8b	✓		
9 Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses on Schedule O												9		✓

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

	10a	10b	11a	12a	12b	12c	13	14	15a	15b	16a	16b	Yes	No
10a Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	10a	✓												
b If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?			10b	✓										
11a Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?			11a	✓										
b Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.														
12a Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13				12a	✓									
b Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?					12b	✓								
c Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done						12c	✓							
13 Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?							13							✓
14 Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?								14						✓
15 Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?														
a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official									15a					✓
b Other officers or key employees of the organization										15b				✓
If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions).														
16a Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?											16a			✓
b If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?												16b		

Section C. Disclosure

17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ► **MA**

18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (1024 or 1024-A, if applicable), 990, and 990-T (Section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.
☒ Own website ☐ Another's website ☒ Upon request ☐ Other (explain on Schedule O)

19 Describe on Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.

20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records ►

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Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent ContractorsCheck 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 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 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) 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 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)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(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			
DAVID J LEONARD	35.00									
President	0.00			✓				0	198,404	27,357
EAMON SHELTON	35.00					✓		0	139,150	36,799
Director Of Operations	0.00					✓		0	151,898	23,979
MICHAEL R COLFORD	35.00					✓		0	151,898	23,979
Director Of Library Services	0.00					✓		0	151,898	23,979
LAURA S IRMSCHER	35.00					✓		13,662	122,961	36,548
Chief Of Collections	0.00					✓		0	130,042	41,052
PRISCILLA FOLEY	35.00					✓		0	130,042	41,052
Director Of Neighborhood Services	0.00					✓		0	130,042	41,052
KURT MANSPERGER	35.00					✓		0	136,622	30,612
Chief Technology Officer	0.00					✓		0	136,622	30,612
ELLEN DONAGHEY	35.00							0	139,200	22,685
Chief Financial Officer (CFO)	0.00			✓				0	139,200	22,685
PAMELA CARVER	35.00							0	103,922	10,705
Clerk & Executive Assistant To The President	0.00			✓				0	103,922	10,705
ROBERT E GALLERY	1.00							0	0	0
Chair(Resigned effective 1-25 2021)	0.00	✓						0	0	0
PRISCILLA H DOUGLAS	1.00							0	0	0
Chair effective 5/18/2021, Trustee prior	0.00	✓						0	0	0
EVELYN ARANA-ORTIZ	1.00							0	0	0
Vice Chair, Interim Chair Jan-May 2021, Trustee prior	0.00	✓						0	0	0
ZAMAWA ARENAS	1.00							0	0	0
Trustee	0.00	✓						0	0	0
JABARI ASIM	1.00							0	0	0
Trustee	0.00	✓						0	0	0
BEN BRADLEE JR	1.00							0	0	0
Trustee	0.00	✓						0	0	0

Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

(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)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(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			
CHERYL CRONIN	1.00									
Trustee	0.00	✓						0	0	0
LINDA DORCENA FORRY	1.00									
Trustee	0.00	✓						0	0	0
JOHN T HAILER	1.00									
Trustee	0.00	✓						0	0	0
JEFFREY B HAWKINS	1.00									
Trustee	0.00	✓						0	0	0
CHYNAH TYLER	1.00									
Trustee	0.00	✓						0	0	0
NAVJEET BAL effective January 2021	1.00									
Trustee effective January 2021	0.00	✓						0	0	0
JOSEPH BERMAN	1.00									
Trustee effective January 2021	0.00	✓						0	0	0
JOYCE LINEHAM	1.00									
Trustee effective January 2021	0.00	✓						0	0	0
MICHAEL RUSH	1.00									
Trustee effective January 2021	0.00	✓						0	0	0
CHRISTIAN WESTRA	1.00									
Trustee effective January 2021	0.00	✓						0	0	0
1b Subtotal								13,662	1,122,199	229,737
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A										
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)								13,662	1,122,199	229,737

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization **41**

- 3 Did the organization list any **former** officer, director, trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual **3** ✓
- 4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual **4** ✓
- 5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person **5** ✓

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
Electronic Security Control Systems Inc, 108 Evergreen Street, Bridgeport, CT 06606	Electronic security & control	184,800
Innovative Interfaces Inc, 1900 Powell Street, Suite 400, Emeryville, CA 94608	Polaris Server Software Maint	155,255
EMCOR Service-North East dba Comm Air Balco, P O Box 845286, Boston, MA 02284	HVAC	134,043
G4S Secure Solutions (USA) Inc, P O Box 277469, Atlanta, GA 30384-7469	Security	112,544
American Service Company, 35 Hanna Street, Quincy, MA 02169	Fire Alarm Services	109,178

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization **6**

Part VIII Statement of RevenueCheck 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
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a	Federated campaigns	1a	0			
	b	Membership dues	1b	0			
	c	Fundraising events	1c	10,610			
	d	Related organizations	1d	3,092,871			
	e	Government grants (contributions)	1e	4,037,997			
	f	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	1,473,410			
	g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f	1g	\$ 0			
	h	Total. Add lines 1a-1f		8,614,888			
	Program Service Revenue	2a	<u>NETWORK MEMBERSHIP DUES</u>	Business Code 611710	122,454	122,454	0
b							
c							
d							
e							
f		All other program service revenue . .		0	0	0	0
g		Total. Add lines 2a-2f		122,454			
Other Revenue		3	Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		1,364,926	0	0
	4	Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds		0	0	0	0
	5	Royalties		15,863	0	0	15,863
	6a	Gross rents	(i) Real 90,500	(ii) Personal 0			
	b	Less: rental expenses	6b	0	0		
	c	Rental income or (loss)	6c	90,500	0		
	d	Net rental income or (loss)		90,500	0	0	90,500
	7a	Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities 37,480,067	(ii) Other 0			
	b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	7b	31,590,625	0		
	c	Gain or (loss)	7c	5,889,442	0		
	d	Net gain or (loss)		5,889,442	0	0	5,889,442
	8a	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 0 of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	8a				
	b	Less: direct expenses	8b				
	c	Net income or (loss) from fundraising events					
	9a	Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	9a				
	b	Less: direct expenses	9b				
	c	Net income or (loss) from gaming activities					
	10a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	10a				
	b	Less: cost of goods sold	10b				
	c	Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory					
Miscellaneous Revenue	11a	<u>McGovern Trust Fund Distribution</u>	Business Code 611710	93,346	0	0	93,346
	b	<u>Recovered Fire Alarm/Security Expenses</u>	611710	54,280	0	0	54,280
	c	<u>Commissions(event \$1,861,other \$1748)</u>	611710	3,609	0	0	3,609
	d	All other revenue		551	0	0	551
	e	Total. Add lines 11a-11d		151,786			
	12	Total revenue. See instructions		16,249,859	122,454	0	7,512,517

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A).

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX ☒**Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.**

	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21	0	0		
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22	0	0		
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16	0	0		
4 Benefits paid to or for members	0	0		
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	0	0	0	0
6 Compensation not included above to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	0	0	0	0
7 Other salaries and wages	3,035,902	2,550,158	485,744	0
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	77,711	65,277	12,434	0
9 Other employee benefits	262,194	220,243	41,951	0
10 Payroll taxes	0	0	0	0
11 Fees for services (nonemployees):				
a Management	0	0	0	0
b Legal	0	0	0	0
c Accounting	32,500	0	32,500	0
d Lobbying	0	0	0	0
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17	0			0
f Investment management fees	272,171	0	272,171	0
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O.)	955,806	802,877	152,929	0
12 Advertising and promotion	35,440	29,770	5,670	0
13 Office expenses	361,450	303,618	57,832	0
14 Information technology	1,309,442	1,099,931	209,511	0
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	0			0
17 Travel	21,220	17,825	3,395	0
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials	0	0	0	0
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	2,998	2,518	480	0
20 Interest	0	0	0	0
21 Payments to affiliates	26,193	22,002	4,191	0
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	29,183	24,514	4,669	0
23 Insurance	44,863	0	44,863	0
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses on line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a Books and related materials	1,660,370	1,660,370	0	0
b Equipment rental/maintenance	759,850	638,274	121,576	0
c Program/Admin	828,316	828,316	0	0
d Security	98,411	82,665	15,746	0
e All other expenses	3,460	2,906	554	0
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	9,817,480	8,351,264	1,466,216	0
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here ☐ if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

Part X Balance SheetCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X ☐

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	982,531	1	927,478
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	20,240,296	2	22,497,514
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	0
	4 Accounts receivable, net	986,318	4	1,681,179
	5 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		5	0
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)		6	0
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	0
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	0
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	149,827	9	441,350
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 1,451,776		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 1,085,940		
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	57,420,395	11	73,841,550
	12 Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11		12	0
	13 Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11		13	0
	14 Intangible assets		14	0
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11		15	0
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 33)	79,863,386	16	99,754,907	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	683,087	17	666,619
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue	441,384	19	451,084
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 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		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25 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	132,727	25	232,770
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	1,257,198	26	1,350,473
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here ☒ and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.			
	27 Net assets without donor restrictions	4,793,775	27	5,151,552
	28 Net assets with donor restrictions	73,812,413	28	93,252,882
	Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here ☐ and complete lines 29 through 33.			
	29 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		29	
	30 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		30	
	31 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		31	
	32 Total net assets or fund balances	78,606,188	32	98,404,434
	33 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	79,863,386	33	99,754,907

Part XI Reconciliation of Net AssetsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI ☒

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	16,249,859
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	9,817,480
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	6,432,379
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))	4	78,606,188
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	12,673,535
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	0
7	Investment expenses	7	0
8	Prior period adjustments	8	0
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain on Schedule O)	9	692,332
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 32, column (B))	10	98,404,434

Part XII Financial Statements and ReportingCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII ☐

	Yes	No
1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: ☐ Cash ☒ Accrual ☐ Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O.		
2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: ☐ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separate basis		☒
b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: ☒ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separate basis	☒	
c If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain on Schedule O.	☒	
3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		☒
b If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why on Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits.		

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support

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

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

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

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**Open to Public
Inspection**

Name of the organization

Employer identification number

TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY OF THE CITY OF BOSTON

04-6151731

Part I Reason for Public Charity Status. (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 12, check only one box.)

- 1 ☐ A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).**
- 2 ☐ A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).** (Attach Schedule E (Form 990 or 990-EZ).)
- 3 ☐ A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).**
- 4 ☐ A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).** Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: _____
- 5 ☐ An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv).** (Complete Part II.)
- 6 ☒ A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).**
- 7 ☐ An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
- 8 ☐ A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
- 9 ☐ An agricultural research organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ix)** operated in conjunction with a land-grant college or university or a non-land-grant college of agriculture (see instructions). Enter the name, city, and state of the college or university: _____
- 10 ☐ An organization that normally receives (1) more than 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ % 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 in lines 12a through 12d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 12e, 12f, and 12g.
- a ☐ **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization. **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
- b ☐ **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
- c ☐ **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
- d ☐ **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
- e ☐ Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization.
- f Enter the number of supported organizations _____
- g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-10 above (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
(A)						
(B)						
(C)						
(D)						
(E)						
Total						

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

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

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2016	(b) 2017	(c) 2018	(d) 2019	(e) 2020	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3						
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2016	(b) 2017	(c) 2018	(d) 2019	(e) 2020	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4						
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources						
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	
13 First 5 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

14 Public support percentage for 2020 (line 6, column (f), divided by line 11, column (f))	14	%
15 Public support percentage from 2019 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	%
16a 33 1/3% support test—2020. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		☐
b 33 1/3% support test—2019. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		☐
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2020. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		☐
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2019. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		☐
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions		☐

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) 2016	(b) 2017	(c) 2018	(d) 2019	(e) 2020	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 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						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
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						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2016	(b) 2017	(c) 2018	(d) 2019	(e) 2020	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						
14 First 5 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

15 Public support percentage for 2020 (line 8, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f))	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2019 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2020 (line 10c, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f))	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2019 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	%
19a 33 1/3% support tests—2020. 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—2019. 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 ☐		

Part IV Supporting Organizations

(Complete only if you checked a box in line 12 on Part I. If you checked box 12a, Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked box 12b, Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked box 12c, Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked box 12d, Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain.		
2 Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).		
3a Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? If "Yes," answer lines 3b and 3c below.		
b Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.		
c Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.		
4a Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? If "Yes," and if you checked box 12a or 12b in Part I, answer lines 4b and 4c below.		
b Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? If "Yes," describe in Part VI how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations.		
c Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization used to ensure that all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes.		
5a Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? If "Yes," answer lines 5b and 5c below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in Part VI , including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed; (ii) the reasons for each such action; (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action; and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document).		
b Type I or Type II only. Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?		
c Substitutions only. Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?		
6 Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (iii) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		
7 Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (as defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).		
8 Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described in line 7? If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).		
9a Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons, as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		
b Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined in line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		
c Did a disqualified person (as defined in line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		
10a Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? If "Yes," answer line 10b below.		
b Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)		

Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)

- 11** Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?
- a** A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in lines 11b and 11c below, the governing body of a supported organization?
- b** A family member of a person described in line 11a above?
- c** A 35% controlled entity of a person described in line 11a or 11b above? If "Yes" to line 11a, 11b, or 11c, provide detail in **Part VI**.

	Yes	No
11a		
11b		
11c		

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

- 1** 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 **Part VI** how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the 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.
- 2** 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 **Part VI** how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization.

	Yes	No
1		
2		

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

- 1** 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 **Part VI** how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s).

	Yes	No
1		

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

- 1** 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?
- 2** 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 **Part VI** how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).
- 3** By reason of the relationship described in 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 **Part VI** the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.

	Yes	No
1		
2		
3		

Section E. Type III Functionally Integrated Supporting Organizations

- 1** Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions).
- a** ☐ The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete line 2 below.
- b** ☐ The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete line 3 below.
- c** ☐ The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in **Part VI** how you supported a governmental entity (see instructions).
- 2** Activities Test. Answer lines 2a and 2b below.
- a** 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 **Part VI** 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** Did the activities described in 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 **Part VI** the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.
- 3** Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer lines 3a and 3b below.
- a** 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 **Part VI**.
- 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 **Part VI** the role played by the organization in this regard.

	Yes	No
2a		
2b		
3a		
3b		

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations

- 1 ☐ Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying trust on Nov. 20, 1970 (explain in **Part VI**). See instructions. All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E.

Section A—Adjusted Net Income		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Net short-term capital gain	1	
2	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2	
3	Other gross income (see instructions)	3	
4	Add lines 1 through 3.	4	
5	Depreciation and depletion	5	
6	Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	6	
7	Other expenses (see instructions)	7	
8	Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6, and 7 from line 4)	8	
Section B—Minimum Asset Amount		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year):		
a	Average monthly value of securities	1a	
b	Average monthly cash balances	1b	
c	Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c	
d	Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d	
e	Discount claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in Part VI):	1e	
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt-use assets	2	
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d.	3	
4	Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 0.015 of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4	
5	Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5	
6	Multiply line 5 by 0.035.	6	
7	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7	
8	Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6)	8	
Section C—Distributable Amount			Current Year
1	Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, column A)	1	
2	Enter 0.85 of line 1.	2	
3	Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, column A)	3	
4	Enter greater of line 2 or line 3.	4	
5	Income tax imposed in prior year	5	
6	Distributable Amount. Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions).	6	
7	☐ Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions).		

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	Total annual distributions. 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 2020 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-2020	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2020
1 Distributable amount for 2020 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2020 (reasonable cause required—explain in Part VI). See instructions.			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2020			
a From 2015			
b From 2016			
c From 2017			
d From 2018			
e From 2019			
f Total of lines 3a through 3e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2020 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2015 not applied (see instructions)			
j Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from line 3f.			
4 Distributions for 2020 from Section D, line 7: \$			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b Applied to 2020 distributable amount			
c Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from line 4.			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2020, 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 2020. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI . See instructions.			
7 Excess distributions carryover to 2021. Add lines 3j and 4c.			
8 Breakdown of line 7:			
a Excess from 2016 . . .			
b Excess from 2017 . . .			
c Excess from 2018 . . .			
d Excess from 2019 . . .			
e Excess from 2020 . . .			

Part VI **Supplemental Information.** Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; Part III, line 12; Part IV, Section A, lines 1, 2, 3b, 3c, 4b, 4c, 5a, 6, 9a, 9b, 9c, 11a, 11b, and 11c; Part IV, Section B, lines 1 and 2; Part IV, Section C, line 1; Part IV, Section D, lines 2 and 3; Part IV, Section E, lines 1c, 2a, 2b, 3a, and 3b; Part V, line 1; Part V, Section B, line 1e; Part V, Section D, lines 5, 6, and 8; and Part V, Section E, lines 2, 5, and 6. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions.)

**SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990,
Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.
▶ Attach to Form 990.

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

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Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year		
2 Aggregate value of contributions to (during year)		
3 Aggregate value of grants from (during year)		
4 Aggregate value at end of year		
5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control?		☐ Yes ☐ No
6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit?		☐ Yes ☐ No

Part II Conservation Easements.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply). ☐ Preservation of land for public use (for example, recreation or education) ☐ Protection of natural habitat ☐ Preservation of open space ☐ Preservation of a historically important land area ☐ Preservation of a certified historic structure	
2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year.	
a Total number of conservation easements	2a
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	2b
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	2c
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 7/25/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register	2d
3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ▶	
4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ▶	
5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds?	☐ Yes ☐ No
6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶	
7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ \$	
8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)?	☐ Yes ☐ No
9 In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements.	

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under FASB ASC 958, not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide in Part XIII the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items.	
b If the organization elected, as permitted under FASB ASC 958, to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items: (i) Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ▶ \$ (ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X ▶ \$	
2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under FASB ASC 958 relating to these items: a Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ▶ \$ 0 b Assets included in Form 990, Part X ▶ \$ 0	

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 |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| c Beginning balance | 1c |
| d Additions during the year | 1d |
| e Distributions during the year | 1e |
| f Ending balance | 1f |
- 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 on 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
1a Beginning of year balance	61,526,120	62,960,155	61,872,714	60,125,636	54,737,117
b Contributions	284,321	14,100	93,355	1,167,112	2,087,806
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses	19,536,257	1,812,784	4,241,687	3,702,773	6,399,122
d Grants or scholarships	2,936,666	2,835,684	2,844,024	2,696,832	2,605,575
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs	162,901	158,297	158,501	156,688	154,919
f Administrative expenses	304,671	266,938	245,076	269,287	337,915
g End of year balance	77,942,460	61,526,120	62,960,155	61,872,714	60,125,636

- 2 Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:

- a Board designated or quasi-endowment ☐ 0 %
- b Permanent endowment ☒ 100 %
- c Term endowment ☐ 0 %

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:

- (i) Unrelated organizations
- (ii) Related organizations

	Yes	No
3a(i)		✓
3a(ii)	✓	
3b	✓	

- 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
1a Land	0	0		0
b Buildings	0	0	0	0
c Leasehold improvements	0	0	0	0
d Equipment	0	1,131,346	798,648	332,698
e Other	0	320,430	287,292	33,138
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c.)				365,836

Part VII Investments—Other Securities.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely held equity interests		
(3) Other		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		

Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.) ▶**Part VIII Investments—Program Related.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		

Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 13.) ▶**Part IX Other Assets.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	

Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 15.) ▶**Part X Other Liabilities.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1.	(a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1)	Federal income taxes	0
(2)	DUE TO THE CITY OF BOSTON	232,770
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
Total.	(Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25.) ▶	232,770

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions. In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FASB ASC 740. Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII ☐

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.

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	29,838,541
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:		
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a	12,673,535
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	222,815
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	0
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	692,332
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	13,588,682
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	16,249,859
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	0
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b	0
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	0
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)	5	16,249,859

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.

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	10,040,295
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	222,815
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	0
c	Other losses	2c	0
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	0
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	222,815
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	9,817,480
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	0
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b	0
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	0
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)	5	9,817,480

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.

Schedule D, Part III, Line 1 - EXPLANATION: TERMS FOR NOT REPORTING ASSETS PER SFAS 116 - THE LIBRARY MAINTAINS COLLECTIONS INCLUDING ARTWORK, RARE BOOKS COLLECTIONS AND HISTORICAL TREASURES THAT HAVE BEEN PURCHASED OR DONATED. THESE ITEMS ARE PRESERVED AND CARED FOR AND MANY ARE DISPLAYED IN PUBLIC EXHIBITIONS. THE LIBRARY DOES NOT HAVE A FORMAL POLICY THAT REQUIRES PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE OF THESE ITEMS TO BE USED TO EXPAND THE COLLECTIONS THROUGH ADDITIONAL ACQUISITIONS. HOWEVER, HISTORICALLY, THE LIBRARY HAS NOT SOLD WORKS OF ARTS AND HISTORICAL TREASURES. AS OF JUNE 30, 2021, THE LIBRARY HAD NO INTENTION TO SELL COLLECTIONS OR USE PROCEEDS TO RESTORE CURRENT HOLDINGS OR EXPAND THE COLLECTION THROUGH ADDITIONAL ACQUISITIONS.-----IN ADDITION-FORM 990 SCHEDULE D, PART XIII-EXPLANATION: PART XIII SUPPLEMENTAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION THE LIBRARY IS A PUBLIC ENTITY AND THEREFORE DOES NOT FOLLOW FASB PRONOUNCEMENTS ISSUED AFTER NOVEMBER 30, 1989

Schedule D, Part III, Line 4 - LIBRARY BOASTS OVER ONE MILLION RARE BOOKS AND MANUSCRIPTS, A WEALTH OF MAP, MUSICAL SCORES AND PRINTS. AMONG ITS LARGE COLLECTIONS, THE LIBRARY HOLDS SEVERAL FIRST EDITION FOLIOS BY WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE, ORIGINAL MUSIC FROM MOZART TO PROKOFIEV'S "PETER AND THE WOLF", AND IN ITS RARE BOOK COLLECTIONS THE PERSONAL LIBRARY OF JOHN ADAMS. DUE TO THE EXTENT OF THE COLLECTIONS, MANY ITEMS ARE DISPLAYED ON A ROTATING BASIS. THESE UNIQUE SPECIAL EXHIBITS ARE SHOWN IN THE RESEARCH LIBRARY AND OFFER THE PUBLIC AN OPPORTUNITY TO VIEW BOOKS AND SPECIAL DOCUMENTS WHICH ARE USUALLY ONLY ACCESSIBLE TO REGISTERED READERS IN THE RARE BOOKS READING ROOM.

Schedule D, Part V, Line 1c - ITEM '1C' LABELED NET INVESTMENTS EARNINGS, GAINS, AND LOSSES SHOWS ACTUAL INCREASE IN INVESTMENTS FOR CURRENT AND ALL PRIOR YEARS LISTED HERE.

Schedule D, Part V, Line 1d - ITEM '1D' LABELED GRANTS OR SCHOLARSHIPS SHOWS 5% DISTRIBUTION WITHDRAWN FROM THE ENDOWMENT FUNDS FOR CURRENT AND ALL PRIOR YEARS LISTED HERE.

Part XIII - Supplemental Information (Continued)

Schedule D, Part V, Line 1e - ITEM '1E' LABELED OTHER EXPENDITURES FOR FACILITIES AND PROGRAMS SHOWS DISTRIBUTION TO TRINITY CHURCH IN THE CITY OF BOSTON FOR CURRENT AND ALL PRIOR YEARS LISTED HERE.

Schedule D, Part V, Line 1f - ITEM '1F' LABELED ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES SHOWS ACTUAL EXPENSES FOR CURRENT AND ALL PRIOR YEARS LISTED HERE.

Schedule D, Part V, Line 4 - ENDOWMENT FUNDS ARE USED TO SUPPORT THE ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY OF THE CITY OF BOSTON.

Schedule D, Part XI, Line 2b - DONATED SERVICES AND USE OF FACILITIES (\$222,815) IS THE FAIR MARKET VALUE OF FREE RENTAL SPACE PROVIDED TO THE BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY FUND INC. (\$48,046) AND TO THE ASSOCIATES OF THE BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY INC. (\$11,139) AND THE NORMAN B. LEVENTHAL MAP & EDUCATION CENTER INC. (\$163,630) ALL OPERATING WITHIN THE COPLEY LOCATION.

Schedule D, Part XI, Line 2d - OTHER IS \$692,332 IN EXPENSES PAID OUT DIRECTLY TO THE LIBRARY'S VENDORS BY THE UNIVERSAL SERVICE ADMINISTRATIVE COMPANY (USAC). THIS IS TO SUPPORT THE LIBRARY'S INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE.

SCHEDULE J
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

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 for instructions and the latest information.

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Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

	Yes	No
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.		
☐ First-class or charter travel		
☐ Travel for companions		
☐ Tax indemnification and gross-up payments		
☐ Discretionary spending account		
☐ Housing allowance or residence for personal use		
☐ Payments for business use of personal residence		
☐ Health or social club dues or initiation fees		
☐ 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.		
1b		
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?		
2		
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.		
☐ Compensation committee		
☐ Independent compensation consultant		
☐ Form 990 of other organizations		
☐ Written employment contract		
☐ Compensation survey or study		
☐ 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:		
a Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?		✓
b Participate in or receive payment from a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?		✓
c Participate in or receive payment from an equity-based compensation arrangement?		✓
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:		
a The organization?		✓
b Any related organization?		✓
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:		
a The organization?		✓
b Any related organization?		✓
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)?		
9		

Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported on Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that aren't listed on Form 990, Part VII.

Note: The sum of columns (B)(i)–(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)–(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
DAVID J LEONARD, President	(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	(ii)	193,654	4,750	27,357	0	0	225,761	0
EAMON SHELTON, Director Of Operations	(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	(ii)	139,150	0	36,799	0	0	175,949	0
MICHAEL R COLFORD, Director Of Library Services	(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	(ii)	151,898	0	23,979	0	0	175,877	0
LAURA S IRMSCHER, Chief Of Collections	(i)	13,662	0	0	0	0	13,662	0
4	(ii)	122,961	0	36,548	0	0	159,509	0
PRISCILLA FOLEY, Director Of Neighborhood Services	(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	(ii)	130,042	0	41,052	0	0	171,094	0
KURT MANSPERGER, Chief Technology Officer	(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	(ii)	136,623	0	30,612	0	0	167,235	0
ELLEN DONAGHEY, Chief Financial Officer (CFO)	(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	(ii)	139,200	0	22,685	0	0	161,885	0
8	(i)							
	(ii)							
9	(i)							
	(ii)							
10	(i)							
	(ii)							
11	(i)							
	(ii)							
12	(i)							
	(ii)							
13	(i)							
	(ii)							
14	(i)							
	(ii)							
15	(i)							
	(ii)							
16	(i)							
	(ii)							

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.

Schedule J, Part I, Line 3 - THE COMPENSATION FOR CEO/EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS IS SET BY THE CITY OF BOSTON'S HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
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Form 990, Part III, Line 2 - COVID-19, WHICH BEGAN IN 2020, CONTINUES TO CAUSE THE INTERRUPTION OF SERVICES.

Form 990, Part III, Line 3 - DUE TO THE COVID-19 OUTBREAK IN THE UNITED STATES IN 2020 AND 2021, THE LIBRARY HAD TO KEEP AS OF MARCH 2020 ALL ITS LOCATIONS CLOSED AND HAVE MOST OF THE STAFF WORK REMOTELY FROM HOME WHEN POSSIBLE TO DO SO. THIS MEANT THAT IN ORDER TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO THE PUBLIC, SERVICES HAD TO SHIFT ONLINE AND BE DELIVERED VIA OTHER CREATIVE MEANS. AS OF JUNE 2021 THE LIBRARY HAD BEGAN SLOWLY TO OPEN BY ALLOWING SOME STAFF BACK IN THE BUILDINGS.

Form 990, Part V, Line 2a - THE 498 LISTED HERE IS THE TOTAL # OF EMPLOYEES PAID UNDER THE LIBRARY DEPARTMENT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2020. THE CITY OF BOSTON PROCESSES THE PAYROLL FOR THE LIBRARY AND FILES THE W-3 TRANSMITTAL OF WAGE AND TAX STATEMENTS.

Form 990, Part V, Line 2b - THE CITY OF BOSTON PROCESSES THE LIBRARY'S ENTIRE PAYROLL. THEY ALSO FILE ALL THE REQUIRED FEDERAL EMPLOYMENT TAX RETURNS FOR THE LIBRARY UNDER THE CITY OF BOSTON FEDERAL ID.

Form 990, Part VI, Section A, Line 8a - THE CLERK TAKES THE MINUTES OF ALL THE TRUSTEE MEETINGS AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND ONCE THE MINUTES ARE APPROVED THEY ARE POSTED ON THE LIBRARY'S WEBSITE: BPL.ORG.

Form 990, Part VI, Section A, Line 8b - THE CLERK TAKES THE MINUTES OF ALL THE TRUSTEE MEETINGS AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND ONCE THE MINUTES ARE APPROVED THEY ARE POSTED ON THE LIBRARY'S WEBSITE: BPL.ORG.

Form 990, Part VI, Section B, Line 11b - A DRAFT OF FORM 990 WAS PROVIDED TO THE GOVERNING BODY FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL BEFORE IT WAS FILED. THIS FORM 990 IS PREPARED/REVIEWED/FILED BY THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT. IT IS ALSO REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY THE SUPERVISOR OF ACCOUNTING AND THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER. ALL THE FINANCIAL NUMBERS LISTED ON THEM CORRESPONDS TO THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT TOTALS. ACCOUNTING SCHEDULES HAVE BEEN CREATED TO BACK UP ALL THE DATA ENTERED.

Form 990, Part VI, Section B, Line 12c - ALL EMPLOYEES ARE PROVIDED A SUMMARY OF THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST LAW AND MUST SIGN AND COMPLETE AN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ITS RECEIPT AT TIME OF HIRE AND ANNUALLY THEREAFTER. ALSO, WITHIN THE FIRST 30 DAYS OF HIRE AND EVERY 2 YEARS THEREAFTER THEY ARE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE AN ONLINE TRAINING PROGRAM AT [HTTP://WWW.MUNIPROG.ETH.STATE.MA.US/](http://www.muniprogram.state.ma.us/).

Form 990, Part VI, Section B, Line 14 - ALL PUBLIC ENTITIES ARE COVERED BY STATE LAW.

Form 990, Part VI, Section B, Line 15 - THE COMPENSATION FOR OFFICERS AND KEY EMPLOYEES ARE SET BY THE CITY OF BOSTON'S HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT.

Form 990, Part VI, Section C, Line 19 - ALL GOVERNING DOCUMENTS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE LIBRARY'S WEBSITE: BPL.ORG. ALL POLICIES INCLUDING THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY ARE AVAILABLE ON THE CITY'S HUB WHICH ALL EMPLOYEES HAVE ACCESS TO AND THEY ARE ALSO INCLUDED ON THE CITY OF BOSTON EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK.

Form 990, Part VII, Section B, Line 1(C) - \$ AMOUNTS LISTED FOR INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS IS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2020.

Form 990, Part VIII, Line 1c - MARATHON TEAM DONATIONS RECEIVED TOTALED \$10,610. DUE TO COVID-19 THE BOSTON MARATHON DID NOT TAKE PLACE.

Form 990, Part VIII, Line 1d - IN FY21 LISTED HERE AMOUNTS RECEIVED DIRECTLY FROM THE BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY FUND INC. \$2,150,339 WHICH \$226,193 IS FOR THE NORMAN B. LEVENTHAL MAP & EDUCATION CENTER INC. AND FROM THE ASSOCIATES OF THE BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY INC. \$942,532, GRAND TOTAL \$3,092,871. PRIOR TO FY18 THESE WERE INCLUDED ON FORM 990 PART VIII STATEMENT OF REVENUE ITEM LINE 1F "ALL OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS..."

Supplemental Information (Continued)

Form 990, Part VIII, Line 1f - ALL OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS, GIFTS, GRANTS, AND SIMILAR AMOUNTS... INCLUDES \$692,332 FROM THE UNIVERSAL SERVICE SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES PROGRAM, COMMONLY KNOWN AS "E-RATE". THESE \$ SUPPORT THE OPERATING COSTS RELATED TO THE LIBRARY'S INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE AND ARE PAID DIRECTLY TO THE LIBRARY'S VENDORS. THE E-RATE PROGRAM IS ADMINISTERED BY THE UNIVERSAL SERVICE ADMINISTRATIVE COMPANY UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION (FCC). IN PAST YEARS THE LIBRARY HAS RECEIVED THIS SUPPORT, BUT FY2021 IS THE FIRST YEAR IT HAS BEEN INCLUDED ON THE LIBRARY'S AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

Form 990, Part VIII, Line 2a - 2e - AMOUNT LISTED HERE \$122,454 NEXT TO THE HEADING 'NETWORK MEMBERSHIP DUES' IS MEMBERSHIP DUES PAID BY OTHER ORGANIZATIONS WHOSE MEMBERS/PATRONS USE THE METRO BOSTON LIBRARY NETWORK SYSTEM (MBLN).

Form 990, Part IX, Line 5 - LISTED HERE \$0 BECAUSE THE CITY OF BOSTON PROCESSES AND PAYS FOR ALL OF THE LIBRARY'S PAYROLL EXPENDITURES TO ITS EMPLOYEES. THE LIBRARY THEN REIMBURSES THE CITY OF BOSTON A PORTION OF THE TOTAL PAYROLL EXPENDITURES PAID BY GIFTS & GRANTS WHICH IS LISTED ON FORM 990 PART IX LINE 7.

Form 990, Part IX, Line 7 - THE \$ AMOUNT LISTED HERE IS THE PORTION OF THE TOTAL PAYROLL SALARY EXPENDITURES THE LIBRARY REIMBURSED THE CITY OF BOSTON.

Form 990, Part IX, Line 8 - THE \$ AMOUNT LISTED HERE IS THE PORTION OF PENSION BENEFITS THE LIBRARY REIMBURSED THE CITY OF BOSTON.

Form 990, Part IX, Line 9 - THE \$ AMOUNT LISTED HERE IS THE PORTION OF OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFITS(HEALTH INSURANCE AND MEDICARE TAXES) THE LIBRARY REIMBURSED THE CITY OF BOSTON.

Form 990, Part IX, Line 10 - LISTED HERE \$0 FOR PAYROLL TAXES BECAUSE THE CITY OF BOSTON PROCESSES AND PAYS THIS EXPENSE FOR ALL LIBRARY EMPLOYEES.

Form 990, Part IX, Line 21 - PAYMENTS TO AFFILIATES-\$26,193 WAS PAID TO THE NORMAN B. LEVENTHAL MAP & EDUCATION CENTER INC.. THIS MONEY CAME FROM THE BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY FUND INC.

Form 990, Part IX, Line 23 - INSURANCE TOTAL OF \$44,863 CONSISTS OF CAR INSURANCE \$31,575, EXECUTIVES LIABILITY INSURANCE \$9,132 AND DISHONEST EMPLOYEE INSURANCE \$4,156.

Form 990, Part XI, Line 9 - THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION (FCC) "ERATE" PROGRAM HAS BEEN SUPPORTING THE OPERATING COSTS RELATED TO THE BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY'S INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE. THIS MONEY IS PAID BY THE FCC DIRECTLY TO BPL VENDORS AND IS INCLUDED IN THE BPL'S AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. FOR BPL'S FISCAL YEAR 2021 \$692,332 HAS BEEN PAID OUT TO BPL VENDORS.

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First Program Service Accomplishments Description

Description

fiscal year, the Boston Public Library helped 119,595 Massachusetts residents - adults, children, and teens - sign up for new library cards, hosted 9,490 free computer sessions, enabled 37,250 free wireless internet sessions, and had more than 384,519 visitors. Engaging the Public Through Programming + Active Spaces: The Library offers a variety of programs for all Children, teens and adults including: Future Readers Club, Homework Assistance, Local & Family History, Writing programs, Theatre Productions, The Lowell Lecture Series, Copley Concerts, Never Too Late Programs, Children's Music and Storytelling. Serving the Public with Improving technology: BPL is a national leader in library service technology. The Library has been improving the Library's IT and business systems, increasing access to knowledge through the provision and creation of digital content, and closing the digital divide by providing the public improved access to the kinds of cutting edge technology that ensure equity. Restoring and Preserving our History: At an estimated one million manuscripts, holdings are particularly strong in medieval and early Renaissance manuscripts, colonial Boston and New England, and the American anti-slavery movement. The library is also home to hundreds of archival collections with strengths in local business, political, cultural, and social history. Caring for the Public's Special Collections The Library maintains and cares for one of the world's most important public collections of art, rare books, maps and other special objects and make these precious objects, owned by the public, accessible to patrons today and far into future generations. Statewide Collection Development & Access: This program provides residents of the Commonwealth access to print, electronic, and downloadable collections not available in their individual libraries. Anyone who lives, works, goes to school, or owns property in Massachusetts can have a Boston Public Library card. Book Bundles - With patrons unable to enter branch libraries and browse for the books they needed, library staff quickly took to creating bundles of books based on genre, subject, and reading level to have on hand for circulation. For example, if a parent of a four-year old came to a branch and asked for some books for their child, the library could respond with a pre-selected bundle of books that could just be checked out. Similarly, if a patron wanted some dystopian science fiction and a few graphic novels, that could be supplied as well. Library staff created an innovative way to get patrons what they needed without necessitating in-person browsing. Craft Kits - Many of the programs geared toward children involved a craft. While librarians focused on incorporating simple crafts into their virtual storytimes that only necessitated basic household items, they also recognized that there was a need to provide materials for crafts, especially to households that might not have this type of material on-hand. Children's Librarians in branches have been creating kits with craft materials related to storytimes and distributing them through BPL to Go and at Storywalks around the City. Digital Equity Initiatives: As part of BPL to Go, the BPL's program of services available during the pandemic, BPL launched the Public Computer Access program, which allowed residents to sign up for a two-hour appointment to use library computers in a socially distanced space within the Central Library in Copley Square. At the same time, working with the Mayor's Office of New Urban Mechanics, BPL also expanded its Wi-Fi access to create the Outdoor Wi-Fi Program, providing 24-hour outdoor internet access at nine BPL branch locations across the city, allowing users to socially distance while accessing the Internet for free. BPL also created and rolled out Printing To Go, a free print-on-demand service, to all open BPL branches. Patrons can upload documents they need printed by filling out a form at bpl.org/printing-to-go, selecting their location, and picking up their print jobs 72 hours later at the branches, or 24 hours later at the Central Library in Copley Square. BPL's most recent expansion of its digital initiatives came with the recently launched Connectivity Kits. Connectivity Kits are designed to help patrons bridge the digital divide by providing free, reliable internet access in any location. The kits include a 14" Chromebook, a hotspot, and a mouse, as well as the necessary chargers and a quick start guide, all in a BPL bag for easy access and transportation. While the BPL continues to offer Public Computer Access at the Central Library in Copley Square, Connectivity Kits extend this service into patrons' homes and neighborhoods, on a schedule that works for them.

**SCHEDULE R
(Form 990)**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships**

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33, 34, 35b, 36, or 37.

▶ Attach to Form 990.

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

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Name of the organization

TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY OF THE CITY OF BOSTON

Employer identification number

04-6151731

Part I Identification of Disregarded Entities. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33.

(a) Name, address, and EIN (if applicable) of disregarded entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Total income	(e) End-of-year assets	(f) Direct controlling entity
(1)					
(2)					
(3)					
(4)					
(5)					
(6)					

Part II Identification of Related Tax-Exempt Organizations. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, because it had one or more related tax-exempt organizations during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Exempt Code section	(e) Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3))	(f) Direct controlling entity	(g) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
						Yes	No
(1) BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY FUND INC (04-3150560) 700 BOYLSTON STREET, BOSTON, MA 02116	FUNDRAISING FOR BPL	MA	501(c)(3)	7	N/A		✓
(2) ASSOCIATES OF THE BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY INC (04-290082) 700 BOYLSTON STREET, BOSTON, MA 02116	FUNDRAISING FOR BPL	MA	501(c)(3)	7	N/A		✓
(3) THE CITY OF BOSTON (04-6011380) ONE CITY HALL SQUARE, BOSTON, MA 02116	CITY GOVERNMENT	MA	501(c)(3)	6	N/A		✓
(4)							
(5)							
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Part III Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Partnership. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, because it had one or more related organizations treated as a partnership during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Predominant income (related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512–514)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of- year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V – UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
							Yes	No		Yes	No	
(1)												
(2)												
(3)												
(4)												
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Part IV Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Corporation or Trust. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, because it had one or more related organizations treated as a corporation or trust during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Type of entity (C corp, S corp, or trust)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Percentage ownership	(i) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
								Yes	No
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Part V Transactions With Related Organizations. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, 35b, or 36.**Note:** Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III, or IV of this schedule.

	Yes	No
1 During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II–IV?		
a Receipt of (i) interest, (ii) annuities, (iii) royalties, or (iv) rent from a controlled entity	1a	✓
b Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s)	1b	✓
c Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s)	1c	✓
d Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s)	1d	✓
e Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s)	1e	✓
f Dividends from related organization(s)	1f	✓
g Sale of assets to related organization(s)	1g	✓
h Purchase of assets from related organization(s)	1h	✓
i Exchange of assets with related organization(s)	1i	✓
j Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s)	1j	✓
k Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s)	1k	✓
l Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s)	1l	✓
m Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s)	1m	✓
n Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s)	1n	✓
o Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s)	1o	✓
p Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses	1p	✓
q Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses	1q	✓
r Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s)	1r	✓
s Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s)	1s	✓

2 If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," see the instructions for information on who must complete this line, including covered relationships and transaction thresholds.

(a) Name of related organization	(b) Transaction type (a–s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY FUND INC	c	2,150,339	ACTUAL \$
(1) BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY FUND INC	n	48,046	FAIR MARKET VALUE
(2) ASSOCIATES OF THE BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY INC	c	942,532	ACTUAL \$
(3) ASSOCIATES OF THE BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY INC	n	11,139	FAIR MARKET VALUE
(4)			
(5)			
(6)			

Part VI **Unrelated Organizations Taxable as a Partnership.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 37.

Provide the following information for each entity taxed as a partnership through which the organization conducted more than five percent of its activities (measured by total assets or gross revenue) that was not a related organization. See instructions regarding exclusion for certain investment partnerships.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Predominant income (related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512–514)	(e) Are all partners section 501(c)(3) organizations?		(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V – UBIT amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
				Yes	No			Yes	No		Yes	No	
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Part VII**Supplemental Information**

Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule R. See instructions.

Schedule R, Part V, Line 1c - Gift, Grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s)-The Boston Public Library received \$ 2,150,339 from The Boston Public Library Fund Inc. and \$ 942,532 from The Associates Of The Boston Public Library to support library operations. The Library operates as a separate department within the City Of Boston operations, with the City paying most of its costs. In fiscal year 2021 the Library's expenses it paid on its own totaled about 10 million and as a department of the City general fund about 39 million.

Schedule R, Part V, Line 1n - Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets related with related organization(s)-The Boston Public Library provided at the Copley location free rent space to The Boston Public Library Fund Inc. with an estimated fair market value of \$48,045.75 and to the Associates Of The Boston Public Library Inc. with an estimated fair market value of \$11,139.00. Although not considered a related organization to the Library, The Norman B. Leventhal Map & Education Center Inc. was also provided free rent space at the Copley location with an estimated fair market value of \$163,630.50.

