

Form **990-EZ**

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

OMB No. 1545-1150

2009

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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

▶ Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds and controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990. All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$500,000 and total assets less than \$1,250,000 at the end of the year may use this form.
▶ The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

A For the 2009 calendar year, or tax year beginning 01/01, **2009, and ending** 12/31, **20** 09

B Check if applicable:

- Address change
- Name change
- Initial return
- Terminated
- Amended return
- Application pending

Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.

C Name of organization

TRYON LIFE COMMUNITY FARM

Number and street (or P.O. box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite

11640 SW Boones Ferry Road

City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4

Portland, OR 97219

D Employer identification number

20-1887272

E Telephone number

503-245-3847

F Group Exemption Number ▶

• Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).

G Accounting Method: Cash Accrual
Other (specify) ▶

I Website: ▶ www.tryonfarm.org

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

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

K Check if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization **and** its gross receipts are normally **not** more than \$25,000. A Form 990-EZ or Form 990 return is not required, but if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return.

L Add lines 5b, 6b, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts; if \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ ▶ \$ **147,013**

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (See the instructions for Part I.)

		Revenue		Expenses		Net Assets	
1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	28,669	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule)	10	0
2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	117,122	11	Benefits paid to or for members	11	0
3	Membership dues and assessments	3	0	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	62,085
4	Investment income	4	16	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	34,754
5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	150	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	26,285
b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	150	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	2,380
c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c	0	16	Other expenses (describe ▶ See Statement 3)	16	20,537
6	Special events and activities (complete applicable parts of Schedule G). If any amount is from gaming, check here <input type="checkbox"/>			17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	146,041
a	Gross revenue (not including \$ <u>0</u> of contributions reported on line 1)	6a	706	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	822
b	Less: direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	6b	0	19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	321,738
c	Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (Subtract line 6b from line 6a)	6c	706	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)	20	0
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a	0	21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	21	322,560
b	Less: cost of goods sold	7b	0				
c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c	0				
8	Other revenue (describe ▶ See Statement 2)	8	350				
9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8	9	146,863				

Part II Balance Sheets. If Total assets on line 25, column (B) are \$1,250,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ.

(See the instructions for Part II.)

		(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22	Cash, savings, and investments	14,892	22 27,229
23	Land and buildings	576,074	23 576,890
24	Other assets (describe ▶ See Statement 4)	26,884	24 10,389
25	Total assets	617,850	25 614,508
26	Total liabilities (describe ▶ See Statement 5)	296,112	26 291,948
27	Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	321,738	27 322,560

Part V Other Information (Note the statement requirements in the instructions for Part V.)

		Yes	No
33	Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
34	Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
35	If the organization had income from business activities, such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a (among others), but not reported on Form 990-T, attach a statement explaining why the organization did not report the income on Form 990-T.		
a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more or was it subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
36	Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
37a	Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions. ▶ 37a <u>0</u>		
b	Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
38a	Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the period covered by this return?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b	If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved 38b <u>13,500</u>		
39	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 39a		
b	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities 39b		
40a	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 ▶ <u>0</u> ; section 4912 ▶ <u>0</u> ; section 4955 ▶ <u>0</u>		
b	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or is it 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	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 ▶ <u>0</u>		
d	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization ▶ <u>0</u>		
e	All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
41	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed. ▶ OR		
42a	The organization's books are in care of ▶ <u>Maralena Murphy</u> Telephone no. ▶ <u>503-245-3847</u> Located at ▶ <u>11640 SW Boones Ferry Rd, Portland, OR 97219</u> ZIP + 4 ▶ <u>97219</u>		
b	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ _____ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts .		
c	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U.S.?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ _____		
43	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 —Check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ▶ 43 <u>0</u>		
44	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
45	Is any related organization a controlled entity of the organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts only. All section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must answer questions 46–49b and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

46	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	46	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
47	Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	47	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
48	Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	48	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
49a	Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?	49a	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b	If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?	49b	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$100,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
None				

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

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

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
None		

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

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

▶ _____ Date _____
 Signature of officer

▶ **Tod Sloan, Co-President**
 Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer's Use Only

Preparer's signature ▶ _____ Date _____ Check if self-employed Preparer's identifying number (See instructions) _____
 Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4 ▶ _____ EIN ▶ _____
 Phone no. ▶ _____

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

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. ▶ See separate instructions.

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Name of the organization TRYON LIFE COMMUNITY FARM	Employer identification number 20 1887272
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Part I Reason for Public Charity Status (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 11, check only one box.)

- 1 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).**
- 2 A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).** (Attach Schedule E.)
- 3 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).**
- 4 A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).** Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: _____
- 5 An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv).** (Complete Part II.)
- 6 A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).**
- 7 An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
- 8 A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
- 9 An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33⅓% 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 33⅓% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2).** (Complete Part III.)

10 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4).**

11 An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2). See **section 509(a)(3).** Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h.

- a Type I b Type II c Type III—Functionally integrated d Type III—Other

e By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2).

f If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, or Type III supporting organization, check this box

g Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons?

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

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

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

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	156,916	287,265	24,392	70,690	28,669	567,932
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf	0	0	0	0	0	0
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge	0	0	0	0	0	0
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3	156,916	287,265	24,392	70,690	28,669	567,932
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)						127,990
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						439,942

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	156,916	287,265	24,392	70,690	28,669	567,932
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	0	0	0	0	0	0
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on	0	0	0	0	0	0
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)	0	0	0	0	0	0
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						567,932
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	
13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2009 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	77.46 %
15 Public support percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	78.97 %
16a 33⅓% support test—2009. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33⅓% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
b 33⅓% support test—2008. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33⅓% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2009. 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 IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2008. 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 IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
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 ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		

Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)
 (Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(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) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(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 IV.)						
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						

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

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2009 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2009 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	%

19a 33 1/3 % support tests—2009. 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—2008. 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 ▶

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

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For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527

▶ Complete if the organization is described below.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ See separate instructions.

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- If the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then
- Section 501(c)(3) organizations: Complete Parts I-A and B. Do not complete Part I-C.
 - Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations: Complete Parts I-A and C below. Do not complete Part I-B.
 - Section 527 organizations: Complete Part I-A only.

- If the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities), then
- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-A. Do not complete Part II-B.
 - Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-B. Do not complete Part II-A.

If the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 5 (Proxy Tax), then

- Section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations: Complete Part III.

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Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.

- 1 Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV.
- 2 Political expenditures ▶ \$ _____
- 3 Volunteer hours _____

Part I-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3).

- 1 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955 . . . ▶ \$ _____
- 2 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 . . . ▶ \$ _____
- 3 If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? Yes No
- 4a Was a correction made? Yes No
- b If "Yes," describe in Part IV.

Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).

- 1 Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$ _____
- 2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$ _____
- 3 Total exempt function expenditures. Add lines 1 and 2. Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b ▶ \$ _____
- 4 Did the filing organization file **Form 1120-POL** for this year? Yes No
- 5 Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which payments were made. For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization's funds. Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC). If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV.

(a) Name	(b) Address	(c) EIN	(d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization. If none, enter -0-.

Part II-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

A Check if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group.

B Check if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply.

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)		(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals												
1a	Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)														
b	Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)														
c	Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)														
d	Other exempt purpose expenditures														
e	Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)														
f	Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns.														
<table border="1" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</td> <td style="width: 50%;">The lobbying nontaxable amount is:</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Not over \$500,000</td> <td>20% of the amount on line 1e.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000</td> <td>\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000</td> <td>\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$1,000,000.</td> </tr> </table>		If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:	Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e.	Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.	Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.	Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.	Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000.		
If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:														
Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e.														
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.														
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.														
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.														
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000.														
g	Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)														
h	Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0-														
i	Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0-														
j	If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No												

4-Year Averaging Period Under Section 501(h)
(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below. See the instructions for lines 2a through 2f on page 4.)

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2006	(b) 2007	(c) 2008	(d) 2009	(e) Total
2a Lobbying nontaxable amount					
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column (e))					
c Total lobbying expenditures					
d Grassroots nontaxable amount					
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures					

Part II-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and has NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

	(a)		(b)
	Yes	No	Amount
1 During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of:			
a Volunteers?	✓		
b Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?	✓		
c Media advertisements?		✓	
d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?	✓		0
e Publications, or published or broadcast statements?	✓		150
f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?		✓	
g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?	✓		39
h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?	✓		26
i Other activities? If "Yes," describe in Part IV		✓	
j Total. Add lines 1c through 1i			215
2a Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?		✓	
b If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
c If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
d If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

Part III-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).

	Yes	No
1 Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?	1	
2 Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?	2	
3 Did the organization agree to carryover lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year?	3	

Part III-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) if BOTH Part III-A, lines 1 and 2 are answered "No" OR if Part III-A, line 3 is answered "Yes."

1 Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	1	
2 Section 162(e) nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).		
a Current year	2a	
b Carryover from last year	2b	
c Total	2c	
3 Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues	3	
4 If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year?	4	
5 Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (see instructions)	5	

Part IV Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1; Part I-B, line 4; Part I-C, line 5; and Part II-B, line 1i. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

Schedule C, Part II-B, Line 1 - Recode Oregon, a project of TLC Farm, organized a grassroots campaign to lobby for Oregon House Bill 2080, legalizing the reuse of greywater statewide. The bill successfully passed the house in May of 2009.

SCHEDULE L
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Transactions With Interested Persons

▶ **Complete if the organization answered**
"Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 25a, 25b, 26, 27, 28a, 28b, or 28c,
or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 38a or 40b.
▶ **Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ See separate instructions.**

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2009

Open To Public Inspection

Name of the organization

TRYON LIFE COMMUNITY FARM

Employer identification number

20 : 1887272

Part I Excess Benefit Transactions (section 501(c)(3) and section 501(c)(4) organizations only).

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 25a or 25b, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 40b.

1	(a) Name of disqualified person	(b) Description of transaction	(c) Corrected?	
			Yes	No

- 2 Enter the amount of tax imposed on the organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under section 4958 ▶ \$ _____
- 3 Enter the amount of tax, if any, on line 2, above, reimbursed by the organization ▶ \$ _____

Part II Loans to and/or From Interested Persons.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 26, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 38a.

(a) Name of interested person and purpose	(b) Loan to or from the organization?		(c) Original principal amount	(d) Balance due	(e) In default?		(f) Approved by board or committee?		(g) Written agreement?	
	To	From			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Brenna Bell, Acquiring and servicing con	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		\$15,500	\$13,500		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Total				\$ 13,500						

Part III Grants or Assistance Benefiting Interested Persons.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 27.

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship between interested person and the organization	(c) Amount and type of assistance

Part IV Business Transactions Involving Interested Persons.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 28a, 28b, or 28c.

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship between interested person and the organization	(c) Amount of transaction	(d) Description of transaction	(e) Sharing of organization's revenues?	
				Yes	No

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General Explanations

Reference	Explanation
Form 990-EZ, Part V, Line 33	In 2009, TLC Farm formally integrated Mother Earth School into its financial structure. Mother Earth School is a preschool and kindergarten program led by trained Waldorf teachers which services 24 students in bio-immersion, all-outdoor environmental education.

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Other Revenue Schedule

Description	Amount
Reimbursement for funds paid for work uncompleted	\$350
Total:	\$350

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Other Expenses Schedule

Description	Amount
Fundraising Fees	\$600
Bank Service & Related Fees	\$548
Supplies	\$6,731
Telephone & Telecommunications	\$1,062
Interest	\$1,111
Insurance	\$6,259
Permits & Related Fees	\$275
Other Expenses	\$3,951
Total:	\$20,537

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Other Assets

Description	BOY Amount	EOY Amount
Accounts receivable	\$14,734	\$1,025
Inventories for auction	\$5,679	\$1,363
Prepaid expenses	\$3,093	\$3,008
Furnitures, fixtures and equipment	\$2,987	\$2,702
Vehicles	\$0	\$1,900
Funds held in trust by others	\$391	\$391
Total:	\$26,884	\$10,389

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Liabilities Schedule

Description	BOY Amount	EOY Amount
Accounts payable	\$474	\$824
Accrued payroll	\$0	\$746
Accrued payroll taxes	\$41	\$1,037
Accrued expense, other	\$1,050	\$752
Payroll tax withholdings payable	\$0	\$1,177
Refundable advances	\$0	\$2,020
Trustee and employee loan payable	\$13,500	\$13,500
Short term liabilities, other	\$18,000	\$19,000
Mortgages payable	\$229,823	\$226,219
Long term liabilities, other	\$33,224	\$26,673
Total:	\$296,112	\$291,948

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Primary Exempt Purpose

Primary Exempt Purpose

land conservation and sustainability education and demonstration

Statement 7

Program Service Accomplishments

Achievement	Grants And Allocations	includes Foreign Grants	Program Service Expenses
<p>Environmental Education Programs, General/Other: In 2009, TLC Farm integrated Mother Earth School, a bio-immersion kindergarten which engages 24 students in all-outdoor, Waldorf-inspired environmental education. The Hands-on Sustainability program brought 650 students on field trips to TLC, providing an estimated 1500 learning hours. Participants, ranging from pre-school to college, were led in farm tours and a variety of interactive sustainable-living programs. These include ecological gardening and food activities (e.g. "healthy soil," "food system," and garden tasks such as seeding, harvesting, transplanting, composting, and weeding), natural building projects, habitat restoration (invasive plant removal), environmental arts & crafts projects, and more. In addition, some groups were given forest ecology and watershed health lessons in the adjacent Tryon Creek State Park. 30 people participated in the Living with the Seasons workshop series, focusing on native and medicinal plant identification, harvesting and processing. Our Sustainable Community Immersion Program hosted 7 participants for 3 weeks and was a deep immersion into sustainable skills and community living, educating students about principles of permaculture, natural building, community process and organic gardening, with a focus on local food and plant medicine.. TLC Farm also hosted a Permaculture Design Course, in which 12 participants earned their Permaculture Design Certificates. (est. 1500 student learning hours; 17 interns; 12 people Permaculture Certified; 24 year-round kindergarten students)</p>	\$0		\$103,128
<p>Environmental & Sustainable Design, General/Other: TLC Farm continued to grow its research and demonstration projects exploring and illustrating integration of human and non-human habitat. TLC Farm improved its infrastructure through several sustainable building projects. We finished construction on a beautiful 1400 sq. ft. round-wood roof for the outdoor kitchen, demonstrating a variety of techniques for efficiently using a widely available renewable resource in Oregon: small-diameter poles. We also finished construction of an office loft in the barn, demonstrating a variety of natural and green building techniques, such as light clay/straw insulation, earthen plaster, and recycled materials. We constructed a 1200 sq. ft. greenhouse to expand our food production and diversity capacity. Sustainable animal husbandry was also showcased at TLC Farm. We welcomed the addition of two sheep into our land management system, and continued our relationship with our Nubian dairy goat herd, who helped with invasive species removal by browsing down fields of blackberries. Finally, the ReCode project organized a grassroots campaign to lobby for the passage Oregon House Bill 2080, legalizing the reuse of greywater statewide. The bill successfully passed the House in May of 2009. (est. 3 major structures implemented)</p>	\$0		\$18,530
<p>Community Capacity Building programs:TLC Farm acted as a catalyst for building relationships with many other organizations in the context of a holistic relationship with the earth. This is done in a wide variety of ways: by making the farm available for events to many different kinds of organizations, who then build relationships with each other; by specifically creating our own events that bring diverse communities and organizations together; and by developing and deepening ongoing partnerships of many kinds. In 2009, the land was shared by a diverse array of organizations, including the Native American Youth and Family Association and Wisdom of the Elders, who brought native ceremony and cultural education to the land, Trackers NW, whose summer camps taught rewilding skills, and the Pacific Crest Community School, whose students visited the Farm bi-weekly to learn about annual gardening and food production. TLC Farm also hosted our annual Harvest Festival, in which 150 people celebrated harvest, attended workshops, and strengthened community ties. (est. 25 organizations)</p>	\$0		\$6,755
<p>Land Conservation, General/Other: TLC Farm continued to conserve its remarkable program site by demonstrating deeply valuable public human uses that also improve native habitat function, biodiversity, and ecological health. This included volunteer activities with youth and adult participants to selectively discourage highly active pioneer species (like English Ivy, Himalayan Blackberry, and the like), especially in maturing areas bordering Tryon Creek State Park. We also maintained food forests that create a perennial polyculture with ecological function and human-useful production. (7 acres)</p>	\$0		\$5,824
Total:			\$134,237