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Form **8879-EO**

IRS e-file Signature Authorization for an Exempt Organization

OMB No. 1545-1878

For calendar year 2015, or fiscal year beginning _____, 2015, and ending _____, 20____

2015

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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Name of exempt organization

Employer identification number

JAPAN AMERICA SOCIETY OF SO. CALIFORNIA

95-2021853

Name and title of officer

**DOUGLAS G ERBER
PRESIDENT**

Part I Type of Return and Return Information (Whole Dollars Only)

Check the box for the return for which you are using this Form 8879-EO and enter the applicable amount, if any, from the return. If you check the box on line **1a, 2a, 3a, 4a, or 5a**, below, and the amount on that line for the return being filed with this form was blank, then leave line **1b, 2b, 3b, 4b, or 5b**, whichever is applicable, blank (do not enter -0-). But, if you entered -0- on the return, then enter -0- on the applicable line below. **Do not** complete more than 1 line in Part I.

1a Form 990 check here ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	b Total revenue , if any (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1b <u>699,072.</u>
2a Form 990-EZ check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	b Total revenue , if any (Form 990-EZ, line 9)	2b _____
3a Form 1120-POL check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	b Total tax (Form 1120-POL, line 22)	3b _____
4a Form 990-PF check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	b Tax based on investment income (Form 990-PF, Part VI, line 5)	4b _____
5a Form 8868 check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	b Balance Due (Form 8868, Part I, line 3c or Part II, line 8c)	5b _____

Part II Declaration and Signature Authorization of Officer

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I am an officer of the above organization and that I have examined a copy of the organization's 2015 electronic return and accompanying schedules and statements and to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are true, correct, and complete. I further declare that the amount in Part I above is the amount shown on the copy of the organization's electronic return. I consent to allow my intermediate service provider, transmitter, or electronic return originator (ERO) to send the organization's return to the IRS and to receive from the IRS (a) an acknowledgement of receipt or reason for rejection of the transmission, (b) the reason for any delay in processing the return or refund, and (c) the date of any refund. If applicable, I authorize the U.S. Treasury and its designated Financial Agent to initiate an electronic funds withdrawal (direct debit) entry to the financial institution account indicated in the tax preparation software for payment of the organization's federal taxes owed on this return, and the financial institution to debit the entry to this account. To revoke a payment, I must contact the U.S. Treasury Financial Agent at 1-888-353-4537 no later than 2 business days prior to the payment (settlement) date. I also authorize the financial institutions involved in the processing of the electronic payment of taxes to receive confidential information necessary to answer inquiries and resolve issues related to the payment. I have selected a personal identification number (PIN) as my signature for the organization's electronic return and, if applicable, the organization's consent to electronic funds withdrawal.

Officer's PIN: check one box only

I authorize ARMANINO LLP to enter my PIN 12667
ERO firm name Enter five numbers, but do not enter all zeros

as my signature on the organization's tax year 2015 electronically filed return. If I have indicated within this return that a copy of the return is being filed with a state agency(ies) regulating charities as part of the IRS Fed/State program, I also authorize the aforementioned ERO to enter my PIN on the return's disclosure consent screen.

As an officer of the organization, I will enter my PIN as my signature on the organization's tax year 2015 electronically filed return. If I have indicated within this return that a copy of the return is being filed with a state agency(ies) regulating charities as part of the IRS Fed/State program, I will enter my PIN on the return's disclosure consent screen.

Officer's signature ▶ _____ Date ▶ _____

Part III Certification and Authentication

ERO's EFIN/PIN. Enter your six-digit electronic filing identification number (EFIN) followed by your five-digit self-selected PIN.

95309112667
do not enter all zeros

I certify that the above numeric entry is my PIN, which is my signature on the 2015 electronically filed return for the organization indicated above. I confirm that I am submitting this return in accordance with the requirements of **Pub. 4163**, Modernized e-File (MeF) Information for Authorized IRS e-file Providers for Business Returns.

ERO's signature ▶ _____ Date ▶ _____

**ERO Must Retain This Form - See Instructions
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Form **990**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

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

▶ Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.

▶ Information about Form 990 and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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A For the 2015 calendar year, or tax year beginning and ending

B Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	C Name of organization JAPAN AMERICA SOCIETY OF SO. CALIFORNIA		D Employer identification number 95-2021853
	Doing business as		E Telephone number (310) 965-9050
	Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address)	Room/suite	
	1411 W 190TH STREET		380
	City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code GARDENA, CA 90248		G Gross receipts \$ 1,124,143.
F Name and address of principal officer: DOUGLAS G. ERBER SAME AS C ABOVE			H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No H(b) Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list. (see instructions) H(c) Group exemption number ▶
I Tax-exempt status: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) () ◀ (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527			
J Website: ▶ WWW.JAS-SOCAL.ORG			
K Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other ▶			L Year of formation: 1959
			M State of legal domicile: CA

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: MEMBERSHIP ORGANIZATION THAT BUILDS MEANINGFUL RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN JAPANESE AND AMERICANS.		
	2	Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> 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	34
	4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	34
	5	Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2015 (Part V, line 2a)	5	4
	6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	135
	7a	Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0.
	b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	0.	
Revenue	8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year 718,129.	Current Year 796,413.
	9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	0.	179,128.
	10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	11,294.	8,016.
	11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	-111,697.	-284,485.
	12	Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	617,726.	699,072.
	Expenses	13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	108,500.
14		Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	0.	0.
15		Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	316,813.	343,789.
16a		Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	3,400.	1,750.
		b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 18,761.		
17		Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	244,015.	246,724.
18		Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	672,728.	668,308.
19	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	-55,002.	30,764.	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Current Year 737,206.	End of Year 812,138.
	21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	47,877.	98,447.
	22	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	689,329.	713,691.

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	
	DOUGLAS G. ERBER, PRESIDENT			
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/> PTIN P00733066
	Firm's name ▶ ARMANINO LLP			Firm's EIN ▶ 94-6214841
	Firm's address ▶ 11766 WILSHIRE BLVD 9TH FLOOR LOS ANGELES, CA 90025			Phone no. 310-478-4148

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) Yes No

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III [X]

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission: THE JAPAN AMERICA SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WORKS TO (1) PROMOTE AMONG THE AMERICAN PEOPLE A MORE ACCURATE KNOWLEDGE OF THE PEOPLE OF JAPAN, THEIR AIMS, CUSTOMS, IDEALS, ARTS AND SCIENCES, INDUSTRIES, ECONOMIC CONDITIONS, AND EDUCATIONAL PROCESS, (2) SERVE THE PEOPLE OF

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 [X] 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 [X] 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 \$ 50,277. including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 49,050.) WELCOME LUNCHEON FOR PRIME MINISTER SHINZO ABE: ON MAY 1, 2015, AT THE MILLENNIUM BILTMORE HOTEL IN DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES, THE JAPAN AMERICA SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SERVED AS THE LEAD ORGANIZATION TO PRESENT A WELCOME LUNCHEON FOR THE FIRST JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER TO VISIT SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA IN 16 YEARS. THE EVENT SOLD OUT IN JUST 30 MINUTES. FIRST LADY AKIE ABE, JAPANESE AMBASSADOR TO THE USA, KENICHIRO SASAE, AND US AMBASSADOR TO JAPAN, CAROLINE KENNEDY, WERE ALSO WELCOMED AT THE EVENT.

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ 18,694. including grants of \$ 4,879.) (Revenue \$ 37,145.) FUKUSHIMA YOUTH CULTURAL EXCHANGE PROGRAM (FYCEP): THANKS TO THE TOMODACHI FUND FOR EXCHANGES, MADE POSSIBLE BY GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS FROM TOYOTA MOTOR CORPORATION, MITSUBISHI CORPORATION, AND HITACHI, LTD., 2015 MARKED THE 3RD YEAR THAT EIGHT CHILDREN + 1 CHAPERONE FROM FUKUSHIMA AIKUEN CHILDREN'S HOME ("ORPHANAGE") VISTED SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FOR A 10 DAY HOMESTAY VISIT FROM JULY 19 - 29. WHEN THIS PROGRAM BEGAN TWO YEARS EARLIER IN 2013, IT WAS THE FIRST TIME RESIDENTS TRAVELLED ABROAD IN THE HOME'S 120-YEAR HISTORY. FUKUSHIMA AIKUEN IS HOME TO 92 CHILDREN, AGES 2 TO 18, WHO ARE AFFECTED DAILY BY THE ONGOING NUCLEAR DISASTER RESULTING FROM THE MARCH 11, 2011 GREAT EAST JAPAN EARTHQUAKE AND TSUNAMI. THE EIGHT CHILDREN AND CHAPERONE STAYED WITH AMERICAN HOST FAMILIES AND ENJOYED A NUMBER OF EDUCATIONAL

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ 12,549. including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 12,040.) JAPAN IN 2015 SYPOSIUM: THE JAPAN IN 2015 SYMPOSIUM TOOK PLACE ON FEBRUARY 19, 2015. IT FEATURED LEADING EXPERTS FROM ACROSS THE US AND FROM JAPAN. THEY TOOK AN IN-DEPTH LOOK AND "FORECASTED" THE COMING YEAR ON JAPAN'S ECONOMY, DOMESTIC AFFAIRS, US-JAPAN BILATERAL SECURITY RELATIONSHIP AND US-JAPAN COOPERATION IN INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS.

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.) (Expenses \$ 510,231. including grants of \$ 71,166.) (Revenue \$ 35,520.)

4e Total program service expenses 591,751.

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)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule A</i>	X	
2 Is the organization required to complete <i>Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors</i> ?	X	
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I</i>		X
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II</i>		X
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III</i>		X
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I</i>		X
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II</i>		X
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III</i>		X
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV</i>		X
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V</i>	X	
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI</i>	X	
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII</i>		X
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII</i>		X
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX</i>		X
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i>	X	
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)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i>		X
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII</i>		X
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional</i>		X
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i>		X
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		X
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV</i>	X	
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV</i>	X	
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV</i>		X
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I</i>	X	
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II</i>	X	
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III</i>	X	

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

		Yes	No
20a	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i>		X
b	If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i>		X
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>		X
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i>	X	
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? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a</i>		X
b	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
c	Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		
d	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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		X
b	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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		X
26	Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>		X
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>		X
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, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
b	A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
c	An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	X	
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		X
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>		X
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i>		X
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i>		X
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1</i>		X
35a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?		X
b	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)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		
36	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		X
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i>		X
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	X	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V

Main form area containing questions 1a through 14b with columns for 'Yes' and 'No' and input fields for numerical values.

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 in 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

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year 1a 34 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 in Schedule O.		
b	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent 1b 34		
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?		X
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors, or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?		X
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		X
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?		X
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders?		X
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?		X
b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?		X
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
a	The governing body?	X	
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	X	
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 in Schedule O		X

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

		Yes	No
10a	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?		X
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?		
11a	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	X	
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	X	
b	Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	X	
c	Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done	X	
13	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	X	
14	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	X	
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	X	
b	Other officers or key employees of the organization		X
	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?		X
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?		

Section C. Disclosure

- 17** List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed **CA**
- 18** Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 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 in Schedule O)
- 19** Describe in 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: **DOUGLAS ERBER - (310) 965-9050**
1411 WEST 190TH STREET, SUITE 380, GARDENA, CA 90248

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See 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.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

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 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			
(1) JOSEPH C. PORTILLO CHAIRMAN	2.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.	
(2) GLEN I. HAMAKAWA CO-VICE CHAIR/CHAIR ELECT	2.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.	
(3) MARI MIYOSHI CO-VICE CHAIR	2.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.	
(4) NORMAN A. FUTAMI COUNSEL	3.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.	
(5) VIVIEN USUI TREASURER	2.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.	
(6) DOUGLAS MONTGOMERY CORPORATE SECRETARY	2.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.	
(7) DONALD P. BAKER DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(8) ROBERT BRASCH DIRECTOR	2.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(9) MARK E. BUCHMAN (UNTIL 3/18/15) DIRECTOR	2.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(10) DONALD P. EMERY DIRECTOR	2.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(11) WERNER ESCHER DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(12) MICHAEL J. FEYDER DIRECTOR	2.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(13) KIYOSHI FURUKAWA DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(14) RUSSELL L. HANLIN (UNTIL 2/5/15) DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(15) TERRY S. HARA DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(16) NANCY WOO HIROMOTO DIRECTOR	3.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(17) TETSUYA ISHIDA (FROM 5/1/14) DIRECTOR	1.00	X					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 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			
(18) HITOSHI ISHIKAWA (FROM 5/14/16) DIRECTOR	2.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(19) JUDY JOHNSON DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(20) TAMMIE KANDA DIRECTOR	2.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(21) HIDEKI KISHIMOTO (UNTIL 7/16/15) DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(22) ACEY KOHROGI DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(23) HIROKAZU KURIHARA (FROM 7/10/14) DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(24) GRACIELA MEIBAR DIRECTOR	2.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(25) RIKAN MIURA (UNTIL 5/14/15) DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(26) HIDEO MIYAKE DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
1b Sub-total								0.	0.	0.
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A								130,000.	0.	27,234.
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)								130,000.	0.	27,234.

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 **1**

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director, or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>		X
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	X	
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>		X

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
NONE		

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 **0**

SEE PART VII, SECTION A CONTINUATION SHEETS

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII

		(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512 - 514	
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1 a Federated campaigns	1a				
	b Membership dues	1b 133,755.				
	c Fundraising events	1c 511,883.				
	d Related organizations	1d				
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e				
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f 150,775.				
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$	278,487.				
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f	796,413.				
	Program Service Revenue	2 a JAPAN-AMERICA CULTURAL ACTIVITIES	Business Code 900099	179,128.	179,128.	
b						
c						
d						
e						
f All other program service revenue						
g Total. Add lines 2a-2f		179,128.				
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		4,941.		4,941.	
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds					
	5 Royalties					
	6 a Gross rents	(i) Real				
		(ii) Personal				
		b Less: rental expenses				
		c Rental income or (loss)				
	d Net rental income or (loss)					
	7 a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities				
		(ii) Other				
		b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses		19,997.		
		c Gain or (loss)		3,075.		
	d Net gain or (loss)		3,075.		3,075.	
	8 a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 511,883. of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	a 71,130.				
		b Less: direct expenses	b 278,317.			
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events			-207,187.		-207,187.	
9 a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	a 49,459.					
	b Less: direct expenses	b 126,757.				
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities		-77,298.		-77,298.	
10 a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a					
	b Less: cost of goods sold	b				
	c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory					
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code				
11 a						
	b					
	c					
	d All other revenue					
	e Total. Add lines 11a-11d					
12 Total revenue. See instructions.		699,072.	179,128.	0.	-276,469.	

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 ...	4,366.	4,366.		
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22				
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16	71,679.	71,679.		
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	157,234.	125,788.	15,723.	15,723.
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages	143,585.	114,867.	14,359.	14,359.
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)				
9 Other employee benefits	22,708.	18,166.	2,271.	2,271.
10 Payroll taxes	20,262.	16,210.	2,026.	2,026.
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management	2,598.		2,598.	
b Legal				
c Accounting	2,564.		2,564.	
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17	1,750.			1,750.
f Investment management fees	404.		404.	
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Sch O.)				
12 Advertising and promotion	195.			195.
13 Office expenses	10,879.	8,703.	435.	1,741.
14 Information technology	3,018.	2,414.	302.	302.
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	37,766.	30,212.	3,777.	3,777.
17 Travel	13,270.	5,308.	2,654.	5,308.
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	6,708.	5,366.	1,342.	
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates	5,000.	4,000.	1,000.	
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	5,658.		5,658.	
23 Insurance	9,395.	7,515.	940.	940.
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a PROGRAM EXPENSES	167,183.	167,183.		
b BANK / CREDIT CARD SERV	7,222.	4,695.	1,083.	1,444.
c MISCELLANEOUS	6,464.	5,172.	646.	646.
d ASSOCIATION FEES	135.	107.	14.	14.
e All other expenses	-31,735.			-31,735.
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	668,308.	591,751.	57,796.	18,761.
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 Sheet

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash - non-interest-bearing	100.	1	100.
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	416,574.	2	490,401.
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	37,555.	3	34,250.
	4 Accounts receivable, net	0.	4	
	5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instr). Complete Part II of Sch L		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	372.	9	4,341.
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 78,128.		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 67,021.		
	11 Investments - publicly traded securities	11,682.	10c	11,107.
	12 Investments - other securities. See Part IV, line 11	269,105.	11	270,121.
	13 Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line 11		12	
	14 Intangible assets		13	
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	1,818.	14	
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	737,206.	15	1,818.	
		16	812,138.	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	905.	17	24,693.
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue	20,042.	19	47,554.
	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 current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L		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	26,930.	25	26,200.
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	47,877.	26	98,447.
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	432,200.	27	508,097.
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	257,129.	28	205,594.
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32	
33 Total net assets or fund balances	689,329.	33	713,691.	
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	737,206.	34	812,138.	

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

Check 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	699,072.
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	668,308.
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	30,764.
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	689,329.
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	-2,571.
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	-3,831.
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	713,691.

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII

- 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 in 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 in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits

	Yes	No
2a		X
2b		X
2c		
3a		X
3b		

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) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	1880925.	768,261.	538,144.	718,129.	796,413.	4701872.
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	1880925.	768,261.	538,144.	718,129.	796,413.	4701872.
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)						388,341.
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						4313531.

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	1880925.	768,261.	538,144.	718,129.	796,413.	4701872.
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	1,231.	898.	5,088.	38,596.	4,941.	50,754.
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.)	119,393.	199,522.	152,930.	90,170.		562,015.
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						5314641.
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**

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2015 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	81.16 %
15 Public support percentage from 2014 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	80.65 %

16a 33 1/3% support test - 2015. 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 - 2014. 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 - 2015. 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 - 2014. 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 9 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(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) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(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 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 2015 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2014 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2015 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2014 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	%

19a 33 1/3% support tests - 2015. 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 - 2014. 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 11 on Part I. If you checked 11a of Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked 11b of Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked 11c of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked 11d of 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? <i>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.</i>		
2 Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).</i>		
3a Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below.</i>		
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)? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.</i>		
c Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.</i>		
4a Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? <i>If "Yes," and if you checked 11a or 11b in Part I, answer (b) and (c) below.</i>		
b Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? <i>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.</i>		
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)? <i>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.</i>		
5a Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) 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).</i>		
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? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
7 Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (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? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</i>		
8 Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described in line 7? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</i>		
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))? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
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? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
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? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
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)? <i>If "Yes," answer 10b below.</i>		
b Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? <i>(Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)</i>		

Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)

	Yes	No
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 (b) and (c) below, the governing body of a supported organization?		
b A family member of a person described in (a) above?		
c A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (a) or (b) above? <i>If "Yes" to a, b, or c, provide detail in Part VI.</i>		

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Did the directors, trustees, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's directors or trustees at all times during the tax year? <i>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 directors or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.</i>		
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? <i>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.</i>		

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
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)? <i>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).</i>		

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
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? <i>If "No," explain in Part VI how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).</i>		
3 By reason of the relationship described in (2), 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? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.</i>		

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 <input type="checkbox"/> The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete line 2 below.		
b <input type="checkbox"/> The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete line 3 below.		
c <input type="checkbox"/> The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in Part VI how you supported a government entity (see instructions).		
2 Activities Test. Answer (a) and (b) 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? <i>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.</i>		
b Did the activities described in (a) constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? <i>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.</i>		
3 Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer (a) and (b) 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? 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? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard.</i>		

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. 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):		
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 1-1/2% 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 .035	6	
7	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7	
8	Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6)	8	

Section C - Distributable Amount		(A) Prior Year	Current Year
1	Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, Column A)	1	
2	Enter 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	<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally-integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions).		

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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	
2 Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	
3 Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	
4 Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	
5 Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required)	
6 Other distributions (describe in Part VI). See instructions.	
7 Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6.	
8 Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI). See instructions.	
9 Distributable amount for 2015 from Section C, line 6	
10 Line 8 amount divided by Line 9 amount	

Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2015	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2015
1 Distributable amount for 2015 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2015 (reasonable cause required-see instructions)			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2015:			
a			
b			
c			
d From 2013			
e From 2014			
f Total of lines 3a through e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2015 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2010 not applied (see instructions)			
j Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f.			
4 Distributions for 2015 from Section D, line 7: \$			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b Applied to 2015 distributable amount			
c Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4.			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2015, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions).			
6 Remaining underdistributions for 2015. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions).			
7 Excess distributions carryover to 2016. Add lines 3j and 4c.			
8 Breakdown of line 7:			
a			
b			
c Excess from 2013			
d Excess from 2014			
e Excess from 2015			

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 A, PART II, LINE 10, EXPLANATION FOR OTHER INCOME:

OTHER INCOME

2011 AMOUNT: \$ 119,393.

2012 AMOUNT: \$ 199,522.

2013 AMOUNT: \$ 152,930.

2014 AMOUNT: \$ 90,170.

Schedule B

(Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Schedule of Contributors

▶ Attach to Form 990, Form 990-EZ, or Form 990-PF.
▶ Information about Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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2015

Name of the organization

JAPAN AMERICA SOCIETY OF SO. CALIFORNIA

Employer identification number

95-2021853

Organization type (check one):

Filers of:

Section:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

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

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

527 political organization

Form 990-PF

501(c)(3) exempt private foundation

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

501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

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

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

General Rule

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

Special Rules

For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33 1/3% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of (1) \$5,000 or (2) 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h, or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.

For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.

For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Do not complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received *nonexclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year ▶ \$ _____

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

LHA For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF. Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) (2015)

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

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
<u>1</u>	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>45,440.</u>	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
<u>2</u>	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>44,880.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
<u>3</u>	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>36,400.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
<u>4</u>	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>37,100.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
<u>5</u>	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>32,800.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
<u>6</u>	 <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ <u>32,000.</u>	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
7	_____ _____ _____	\$ 29,700.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
8	_____ _____ _____	\$ 27,565.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
9	_____ _____ _____	\$ 25,255.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
10	_____ _____ _____	\$ 25,160.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
11	_____ _____ _____	\$ 22,400.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
12	_____ _____ _____	\$ 21,089.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
13	_____ _____ _____	\$ 21,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
14	_____ _____ _____	\$ 18,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
15	_____ _____ _____	\$ 17,500.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
_____	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
_____	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
_____	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
<u>1</u>	FOUR ROUNDTRIP BUSINESS CLASS AIRLINE TICKETS FROM LOS ANGELES TO JAPAN	\$ <u>45,440.</u>	<u>09/28/15</u>
<u>3</u>	FOUR ROUNDTRIP BUSINESS CLASS AIRLINE TICKETS FROM LOS ANGELES TO JAPAN	\$ <u>34,000.</u>	<u>11/30/15</u>
<u>4</u>	2015 HONDA ACCORD HYBRID TOURING AUTOMOBILE	\$ <u>35,900.</u>	<u>06/30/15</u>
<u>5</u>	SET OF FOUR TIRES FROM NITTO TIRE U.S.A.	\$ <u>800.</u>	<u>06/30/15</u>
<u>6</u>	EIGHT (SIX BUSINESS CLASS AND TWO COACH) ROUNDTRIP AIRLINE TICKETS FROM U.S. T	\$ <u>32,000.</u>	<u>06/30/15</u>
<u>8</u>	WINE	\$ <u>65.</u>	<u>09/28/15</u>

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

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
10	TICKETS TO LOS ANGELES CLIPPERS, KINGS AND LAKERS GAMES _____ _____ _____	\$ 4,160.	09/28/15
15	46" HITACHI CLASS LED HDTV _____ _____ _____	\$ 500.	06/30/15
_____	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	_____
_____	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	_____
_____	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	_____
_____	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	_____

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

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

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.

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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.

Table with 3 columns: Question, (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include total number at end of year, aggregate value of contributions, grants, and end of year, and two yes/no questions about donor property and grant fund usage.

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

Table with 3 columns: Question, (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include purpose(s) of conservation easements, a table for lines 2a-2d (Total number, acreage, certified historic structures, and acquired after 8/17/06), and questions about monitoring, expenses, and reporting.

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.

Table with 3 columns: Question, (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include questions about reporting works of art and historical treasures, and amounts for revenue and assets.

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 are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):
- a Public exhibition
 - b Scholarly research
 - c Preservation for future generations
 - d Loan or exchange programs
 - e Other _____
- 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	376,215.	337,013.	298,448.	280,934.	274,252.
b Contributions	51,006.	28,427.	33,924.	16,700.	5,500.
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses	4,729.	11,248.	5,021.	814.	1,182.
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses	404.	473.	380.		
g End of year balance	431,546.	376,215.	337,013.	298,448.	280,934.

- 2 Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:
- a Board designated or quasi-endowment 100.00 %
 - b Permanent endowment _____ %
 - c Temporarily restricted endowment _____ %
- The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%.
- 3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:
- | | Yes | No |
|---|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| (i) unrelated organizations | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| (ii) related organizations | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b If "Yes" on line 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
- 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				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment				
e Other		78,128.	67,021.	11,107.
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c.)				11,107.

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. (Col. (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. (Col. (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	
(2) EVENT DEPOSITS	26,200.
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25.) ▶	26,200.

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 FIN 48 (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
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:		
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a	
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d		2e
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3
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	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b		4c
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)		5

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
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Other losses	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d		2e
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3
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	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b		4c
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)		5

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.

PART V, LINE 4:

THE JASSC ENDOWMENT FUND WAS ESTABLISHED TO BENEFIT THE NEEDS OF THE CORPORATION. THE PRINCIPAL IN THE ENDOWMENT FUND SHALL BE HELD AND INVESTED WITH ALL INCOME GENERATED USED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FUND GUIDELINES AS DETERMINED BY THE FUND'S TRUSTEES, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

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

1 (a) Name of organization	(b) IRS code section and EIN (if applicable)	(c) Region	(d) Purpose of grant	(e) Amount of cash grant	(f) Manner of cash disbursement	(g) Amount of non-cash assistance	(h) Description of non-cash assistance	(i) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)
		EAST ASIA AND THE PACIFIC	DISASTER RELIEF	50,000.	BANK WIRE	0.	N/A	N/A
		EAST ASIA AND THE PACIFIC	DISASTER RELIEF	16,800.	BANK WIRE	0.	N/A	N/A

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

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

Part IV Foreign Forms

- 1 Was the organization a U.S. transferor of property to a foreign corporation during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 926, Return by a U.S. Transferor of Property to a Foreign Corporation (see Instructions for Form 926)* Yes No

- 2 Did the organization have an interest in a foreign trust during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to separately file Form 3520, Annual Return To Report Transactions With Foreign Trusts and Receipt of Certain Foreign Gifts, and/or Form 3520-A, Annual Information Return of Foreign Trust With a U.S. Owner (see Instructions for Forms 3520 and 3520-A; do not file with Form 990)* Yes No

- 3 Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign corporation during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 5471, Information Return of U.S. Persons With Respect to Certain Foreign Corporations (see Instructions for Form 5471)* Yes No

- 4 Was the organization a direct or indirect shareholder of a passive foreign investment company or a qualified electing fund during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 8621, Information Return by a Shareholder of a Passive Foreign Investment Company or Qualified Electing Fund (see Instructions for Form 8621)* Yes No

- 5 Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign partnership during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 8865, Return of U.S. Persons With Respect to Certain Foreign Partnerships (see Instructions for Form 8865)* Yes No

- 6 Did the organization have any operations in or related to any boycotting countries during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to separately file Form 5713, International Boycott Report (see Instructions for Form 5713; do not file with Form 990)* Yes No

Part V Supplemental Information

Provide the information required by Part I, line 2 (monitoring of funds); Part I, line 3, column (f) (accounting method; amounts of investments vs. expenditures per region); Part II, line 1 (accounting method); Part III (accounting method); and Part III, column (c) (estimated number of recipients), as applicable. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

PART I, LINE 2:

JAPAN AMERICA SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (JASSC) ESTABLISHED THE 2011 JAPAN RELIEF FUND COMMITTEE, WHICH IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE 2011 JAPAN RELIEF FUND, INCLUDING INVESTIGATING AND VETTING AGENCIES IN JAPAN PROVIDING DISASTER AND HUMANITARIAN RELIEF TO VICTIMS OF THE 2011 GREAT EAST JAPAN EARTHQUAKE AND TSUNAMI, AND CONFIRMING THAT ALL QUALIFYING AGENCIES HAVE DEMONSTRATED THEIR EXPERIENCE IN PROVIDING THE MAXIMUM IMPACT, BOTH IN TERMS OF IMMEDIATE RELIEF NEEDS AND THE LONGER TERM RECOVERY PROCESS.

JASSC'S 2011 JAPAN RELIEF FUND COMMITTEE TAKES GREAT CARE AND CONDUCTS EXTENSIVE DUE DILIGENCE TO RESEARCH ALL THE POSSIBLE NPO/NGOS IN JAPAN THAT CAN PROVIDE BOTH IMMEDIATE HUMANITARIAN RELIEF AND LONG-TERM RECOVERY OF THE AFFECTED AREAS IN TOHOKU. THE ORGANIZATIONS THAT HAVE RECEIVED FUNDS HAVE ALL BEEN PRESENTED FOR REVIEW AND A FORMAL VOTE OF APPROVAL BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, WHICH HAS STRICTLY FOLLOWED THE PRINCIPLES AND GUIDELINES OF INTERNATIONAL CHARITY OUTLINED BY THE IRS AND THE U.S. TREASURY.

THE ORGANIZATIONS IN JAPAN THAT HAVE RECEIVED FUNDS FROM THE 2011 JAPAN RELIEF FUND CONSTANTLY UPDATE THEIR WEBSITES, AT LEAST ON A QUARTERLY BASIS, WHICH EXPLAINS HOW THE FUNDS THEY RECEIVED ARE BEING EXPENSED. THE 2011 JAPAN RELIEF FUND COMMITTEE REVIEWS THOSE ORGANIZATIONS' WEBSITES TO MONITOR HOW THE FUNDS RECEIVED FROM THE 2011 JAPAN RELIEF FUND ARE BEING USED. THE COMMITTEE ALSO COMMUNICATES WITH STAFF OF THOSE ORGANIZATIONS, AS WELL AS WITH VICTIMS WHO BENEFITED FROM FUNDS FROM THE 2011 JAPAN RELIEF FUND.

Part V Supplemental Information

Provide the information required by Part I, line 2 (monitoring of funds); Part I, line 3, column (f) (accounting method; amounts of investments vs. expenditures per region); Part II, line 1 (accounting method); Part III (accounting method); and Part III, column (c) (estimated number of recipients), as applicable. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

AS AN ADDITIONAL MONITORING EFFORT, THE JASSC'S PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE TRAVELED TO JAPAN ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS TO OBSERVE THE PERFORMANCE OF THE GRANTEE ORGANIZATIONS' CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES IN JAPAN TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH EXPENDITURE RESPONSIBILITY RULES UNDER THE TAX LAW.

WE ARE PLEASED TO REPORT ALL GRANTEE ORGANIZATIONS THAT EACH RECEIVED A TRANCHE FROM THE 2011 JAPAN RELIEF FUND PROVIDED FIRST-HAND REPORTS AND UPDATES ON HOW THE FUNDS HAVE BEEN, AND CONTINUE TO BE, USED FOR BOTH IMMEDIATE RELIEF AND LONG-TERM RECOVERY IN THE AFFECTED AREAS.

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

		(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other events	(d) Total events (add col. (a) through col. (c))
		ANNIVERSARY DINNER (event type)	GOLF CLASSIC (event type)	NONE (total number)	
Revenue	1	Gross receipts	400,532.	182,481.	583,013.
	2	Less: Contributions	346,972.	164,911.	511,883.
	3	Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)	53,560.	17,570.	71,130.
Direct Expenses	4	Cash prizes			
	5	Noncash prizes			
	6	Rent/facility costs	70,769.	0.	70,769.
	7	Food and beverages	0.	0.	
	8	Entertainment	0.		
	9	Other direct expenses	168,506.	39,042.	207,548.
	10	Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d)			278,317.
11	Net income summary. Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d)			-207,187.	

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

		(a) Bingo	(b) Pull tabs/instant bingo/progressive bingo	(c) Other gaming	(d) Total gaming (add col. (a) through col. (c))	
		1	Gross revenue			49,459.
Direct Expenses	2	Cash prizes				
	3	Noncash prizes				
	4	Rent/facility costs			18,030.	18,030.
	5	Other direct expenses			108,727.	108,727.
6	Volunteer labor	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes 7.00 % <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
7	Direct expense summary. Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d)				126,757.	
8	Net gaming income summary. Subtract line 7 from line 1, column (d)				<77,298.>	

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

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

b If "No," explain: _____

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

b If "Yes," explain: _____

- 11** Does the organization conduct gaming activities with nonmembers? Yes No
- 12** Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming? Yes No
- 13** Indicate the percentage of gaming activity conducted in:
- | | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------|---|
| a The organization's facility | 13a | % |
| b An outside facility | 13b | % |
- 14** Enter the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records:

Name ▶ GIFFORD SANETO

Address ▶ 1411 WEST 190TH STREET, SUITE 380 - GARDENA, CA 90248

- 15a** Does the organization have a contract with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue? Yes No
- b** If "Yes," enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization ▶ \$ _____ and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party ▶ \$ _____.
- c** If "Yes," enter name and address of the third party:

Name ▶ _____

Address ▶ _____

16 Gaming manager information:

Name ▶ KAORI AMANO

Gaming manager compensation ▶ \$ 2,900.

Description of services provided ▶ DIRECTOR OR PROGRAMS

Director/officer Employee Independent contractor

17 Mandatory distributions:

- a** Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license? Yes No
- b** Enter the amount of distributions required under state law to be distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year ▶ \$ _____

Part IV Supplemental Information. Provide the explanations required by Part I, line 2b, columns (iii) and (v); and Part III, lines 9, 9b, 10b, 15b, 15c, 16, and 17b, as applicable. Also provide any additional information (see instructions).

SCHEDULE G, PART I, LINE 2B, LIST OF TEN HIGHEST PAID FUNDRAISERS:

(I) NAME OF FUNDRAISER: KNOCKOUT PRODUCTIONS

(I) ADDRESS OF FUNDRAISER: 6449 INDEPENDENCE AVENUE, WOODLAND HILLS, CA 91367

**SCHEDULE J
(Form 990)**

Compensation Information

OMB No. 1545-0047

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.

▶ Information about Schedule J (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Name of the organization
JAPAN AMERICA SOCIETY OF SO. CALIFORNIA

Employer identification number
95-2021853

Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

1a Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions | <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments | <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef) |

b If any of the boxes on line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain

2 Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, and officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?

3 Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III.

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee |

4 During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing organization or a related organization:

- 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" to 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 non-fixed 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" to line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?

	Yes	No
1b		
2		
4a		X
4b		X
4c		X
5a		X
5b		X
6a		X
6b		X
7		X
8		X
9		

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Schedule J (Form 990) 2015

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 are not 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				
(1) DOUGLAS G. ERBER PRESIDENT	(i)	126,500.	3,500.	0.	0.	27,234.	157,234.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
	(i)							
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	(i)							
	(ii)							

**SCHEDULE M
(Form 990)**

Noncash Contributions

OMB No. 1545-0047

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- ▶ Complete if the organizations answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 29 or 30.
- ▶ Attach to Form 990.
- ▶ Information about Schedule M (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

Name of the organization

JAPAN AMERICA SOCIETY OF SO. CALIFORNIA

Employer identification number

95-2021853

Part I Types of Property

	(a) Check if applicable	(b) Number of contributions or items contributed	(c) Noncash contribution amounts reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g	(d) Method of determining noncash contribution amounts
1 Art - Works of art				
2 Art - Historical treasures				
3 Art - Fractional interests				
4 Books and publications				
5 Clothing and household goods				
6 Cars and other vehicles	X	1	35,900.	RETAIL VALUE
7 Boats and planes				
8 Intellectual property				
9 Securities - Publicly traded				
10 Securities - Closely held stock				
11 Securities - Partnership, LLC, or trust interests				
12 Securities - Miscellaneous				
13 Qualified conservation contribution - Historic structures				
14 Qualified conservation contribution - Other				
15 Real estate - Residential				
16 Real estate - Commercial				
17 Real estate - Other				
18 Collectibles	X	4	1,100.	RETAIL VALUE
19 Food inventory				
20 Drugs and medical supplies				
21 Taxidermy				
22 Historical artifacts				
23 Scientific specimens				
24 Archeological artifacts				
25 Other ▶ (<u>SPORTS & CONC</u>)	X	50	17,188.	RETAIL VALUE
26 Other ▶ (<u>MERCHANDISE</u>)	X	29	15,264.	RETAIL VALUE
27 Other ▶ (<u>GIFT CERTIFIC</u>)	X	19	6,357.	RETAIL VALUE
28 Other ▶ (<u>ELECTRONICS</u>)	X	16	5,511.	RETAIL VALUE

29 Number of Forms 8283 received by the organization during the tax year for contributions for which the organization completed Form 8283, Part IV, Donee Acknowledgement

29

- 30a During the year, did the organization receive by contribution any property reported in Part I, lines 1 through 28, that it must hold for at least three years from the date of the initial contribution, and which is not required to be used for exempt purposes for the entire holding period?
- b If "Yes," describe the arrangement in Part II.
- 31 Does the organization have a gift acceptance policy that requires the review of any non-standard contributions?
- 32a Does the organization hire or use third parties or related organizations to solicit, process, or sell noncash contributions?
- b If "Yes," describe in Part II.
- 33 If the organization did not report an amount in column (c) for a type of property for which column (a) is checked, describe in Part II.

	Yes	No
30a		X
31		X
32a	X	

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Schedule M (Form 990) (2015)

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

PART I, OTHER TYPES OF PROPERTY:

SERVICES

(A) CHECK IF APPLICABLE = X

(B) NUMBER OF CONTRIBUTIONS = 5

(C) REVENUE REPORTED ON FORM 990, PART VIII \$ 3975.

(D) METHOD OF DETERMINING REVENUE: RETAIL VALUE

LIQUOR/WINE

(A) CHECK IF APPLICABLE = X

(B) NUMBER OF CONTRIBUTIONS = 3

(C) REVENUE REPORTED ON FORM 990, PART VIII \$ 580.

(D) METHOD OF DETERMINING REVENUE: RETAIL VALUE

SCHEDULE M, PART I, COLUMN (B):

THE NUMBER OF CONTRIBUTIONS REPORTED IN COLUMN B WAS DETERMINED BASED ON THE NUMBER OF CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED.

SCHEDULE M, LINE 32B:

JASSC HIRED A THIRD PARTY, KNOCKOUT PRODUCTIONS, FOR ITS SILENT AUCTION AT ITS 2015 106TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER. THE THIRD PARTY ASSISTS AND SUPPLEMENTS JASSC IN SOLICITING AND PROCESSING THE SILENT AUCTION ITEMS.

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
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Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

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

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

▶ Information about Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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FORM 990, PART III, LINE 1, DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION MISSION:

JAPAN AND THE UNITED STATES IN FOSTERING MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN
THE TWO NATIONS, (3) SERVE AS AN INFORMATION CENTER IN OBTAINING
INFORMATION RELATING TO JAPAN AND THE UNITED STATES FOR INDIVIDUALS AND
ORGANIZATIONS, (4) SPONSOR MEETINGS OF DISTINGUISHED JAPANESE AND
AMERICANS FOR THE EXCHANGE OF KNOWLEDGE AND IDEAS, (5) ASSIST STUDENTS
IN OBTAINING PROPER COUNSELING IN REGARD TO EDUCATIONAL MATTERS, (6)
FOSTER EDUCATION ABOUT JAPAN THROUGH BULLETINS, LECTURES, SPECIAL
COURSES, CONFERENCES, DISCUSSION PANELS, EXHIBITIONS, FILMS AND
SCIENTIFIC PURPOSES.

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4B, PROGRAM SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

ACTIVITIES. THE EXPERIENCE WAS LIFE-CHANGING FOR THE JAPANESE CHILDREN,
AS WELL AS FOR THE AMERICAN HOST FAMILIES AND VOLUNTEERS. WE THANK THE
US-JAPAN COUNCIL AND THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF JAPAN-AMERICA
SOCIETIES FOR COLLABORATING ON THE TOMODACHI-NAJAS GRASSROOTS EXCHANGE
PROGRAM AND ITS SUPPORT FOR THE FUKUSHIMA YOUTH CULTURAL EXCHANGE
PROGRAM. SPECIAL THANKS IS ALSO EXTENDED TO DELTA AIR LINES FOR SERVING
AS THE OFFICIAL AIRLINE FOR THE EXCHANGE. WE ALSO THANK OUR PARTNERS,
LIVING DREAMS IN JAPAN AND THE LOS ANGELES-NAGOYA SISTER CITY
AFFILIATION, FOR THEIR SUPPORT. THE EXCESS NET REVENUE GENERATED WAS
DEFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING YEAR TO CONTINUE THIS PROGRAM.

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4D, OTHER PROGRAM SERVICES:

OTHER PROGRAM SERVICES INCLUDE:

Name of the organization	JAPAN AMERICA SOCIETY OF SO. CALIFORNIA	Employer identification number	95-2021853
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2011 JAPAN RELIEF FUND

THE 2011 JAPAN RELIEF FUND (2011 JRF), IS A DISASTER RELIEF AND RECOVERY FUND DEDICATED TO AID VICTIMS OF THE GREAT EAST JAPAN EARTHQUAKE, TSUNAMI AND NUCLEAR DIASTER.

THE 2011 JRF WAS CREATED BY THE JAPAN AMERICA SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (JASSC) ON MARCH 11, 2011. JASSC ALSO ESTABLISHED A 2011 JRF COMMITTEE, WHICH IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FUND'S ADMINISTRATION AND THE VETTING OF POTENTIAL DONOR RECIPEINTS.

SINCE THE INCEPTION OF THE 2011 JRF, JASSC HAS HELD 22 SEPARATE EVENTS TO RAISE AWARENESS AND CONTRIBUTIONS.

100% OF ALL DONATIONS RECEIVED BY 2011 JRF GO DIRECTLY TO RECOGNIZED NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS IN JAPAN. THESE JAPANESE NONPROFITS ALL HAVE PROVEN TRACK RECORDS AND EXPERIENCE WITH HUMANITARIAN RELIEF AND LONG TERM RECOVERY OF DESTROYED AREAS.

JASSC ABSORBS ALL THE ADMINISTRATIVE AND OVERHEAD COSTS OF THE 2011 JRF, AS WELL AS THE PROCESSING AND DOCUMENTATION OF ALL DONATIONS. THROUGH 2015, JASSC SENT \$1,308,750 IN TRANCHES TO NONPROFIT RELIEF AND RECOVERY ORGANIZATIONS IN JAPAN.

OTHER JASSC PROGRAMS IN THIS CATEGORY INCLUDE SEMINARS AND SPEAKER PROGRAMS, PROGRAMS BENEFITING CHILDREN AND STUDENTS, BUSINESS NETWORKING MIXERS, WEEKEND FAMILY EVENTS, AND PROGRAMS THAT HIGHLIGHT CULTURE, ART, BUSINESS AND ECONOMY, SPORTS, AND POLITICS.

JAPAN BOWL OF CALIFORNIA

NEARLY ONE-HALF OF ALL U.S. HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS STUDYING JAPANESE LIVE IN CALIFORNIA.

TO THANK AND ENCOURAGE THESE STUDENTS, JASSC CREATED ITS ANNUAL "JAPAN

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BOWL OF CALIFORNIA".

THE 2015 EVENT TOOK PLACE ON MARCH 7, 2015 AT LOYOLA MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY IN LOS ANGELES. THE LEVEL III AND LEVEL IV WINNING TEAMS RECEIVED A GRAND PRIZE OF AIRFARE, ACCOMMODATIONS AND ENTRY FEES TO COMPETE IN THE "NATIONAL JAPAN BOWL", HELD EVERY APRIL IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

JAPAN BOWL IS AN ACADEMIC COMPETITION THAT TESTS THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO ARE STUDYING THE JAPANESE LANGUAGE. IT ALSO TESTS THEIR KNOWLEDGE OF "JAPAN, THE COUNTRY." THE COMPETITION FORMAT IS MODELED ON POPULAR QUIZ SHOWS, SUCH AS "IT'S ACADEMIC." TEAMS OF HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS COMPETE AT TWO DIFFERENT LEVELS, DEPENDING ON HOW LONG THEY HAVE STUDIED JAPANESE. IT IS A WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY FOR THE STUDENTS TO DEMONSTRATE THEIR JAPANESE LANGUAGE SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE, AS WELL AS MEET AND MAKE FRIENDS WITH OTHER STUDENTS WHO SHARE THE SAME INTERESTS.

IN ADDITION TO THE ACADEMIC COMPETITION, TRADITIONAL AND MODERN JAPANESE CULTURAL ACTIVITIES AND GAMES ARE SHOWCASED.

WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP COUNTS INITIATIVE

THE JAPAN AMERICA SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THE LAUNCH OF THE "WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP COUNTS" INITIATIVE (WLCI). THIS FIRST-OF-ITS-KIND INITIATIVE PROVIDES A PLATFORM FOR WOMEN IN BUSINESS ON BOTH SIDES OF THE PACIFIC TO ENGAGE IN PROFESSIONAL AND LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT.

TOGETHER WITH OUR PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS, BUSINESS EXECUTIVES AND COMMUNITY LEADERS, THE WLCI CREATES A NETWORK THAT INSPIRES ACTION AND MOVES THE NEEDLE ON WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP. IT ALSO PROVIDES UNPARALLELED OPPORTUNITIES TO CONNECT WITH CURRENT AND FUTURE LEADERS.

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THE WLCI CONFERENCE TOOK PLACE ON NOVEMBER 3, 2015 AT THE
INTERCONTINENTAL LA CENTURY CITY AT BEVERLY HILLS.

THE WLCI IS MADE POSSIBLE IN PART BY A GENEROUS "2012 JAS INITIATIVE
GRANT" FROM THE JAPAN FOUNDATION / CENTER FOR GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP.

JAPAN AMERICA KITE FESTIVAL

THE "JAPAN AMERICA KITE FESTIVAL" IS AN ANNUAL EVENT HELD IN EARLY
FALL, ON THE BEACH ADJACENT TO THE SEAL BEACH PIER, IN SEAL BEACH,
CALIFORNIA. IT IS THE LARGEST SINGLE-DAY KITING EVENT IN NORTH
AMERICA, AND ONE OF THE MOST "FAMILY FRIENDLY" KITE FESTIVALS
WORLDWIDE. IT IS ALSO THE LARGEST "JAPANESE-THEMED" KITE FESTIVAL
OUTSIDE OF JAPAN.

INITIATED IN 1996 BY UP, UP & AWAY KITES RETAIL SHOP AND UP, UP & AWAY
KITE CLUB IN SEAL BEACH, THE FESTIVAL WAS JOINED BY THE JAPAN AMERICA
SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA IN 2000, WHEN THE FESTIVAL ALSO TOOK ON
ITS CURRENT, TRADEMARKED NAME. IN 2016, THE FESTIVAL WAS MOVED TO
SANTA MONICA.

TODAY, THE JAPAN AMERICA KITE FESTIVAL ATTRACTS MORE THAN 15,000
VISITORS AND IT IS DEDICATED TO EDUCATING THE GENERAL PUBLIC ABOUT THE
JOY OF KITE FLYING, THE VARIETY AND STYLES OF KITES, AND A FOCUS ON
JAPANESE KITES AND TRADITIONAL JAPANESE KITE-MAKING.

THE FESTIVAL INCLUDES JAPANESE AND INTERNATIONAL KITES OF ALL SIZES AND
TYPES, AS WELL AS KITE WORKSHOP AND GAMES FOR CHILDREN, JAPANESE FOOD
AND CULTURAL BOOTHS, GIANT SHOW KITES, TAIKO DRUM PERFORMANCES, KITE
CANDY DROPS FOR KIDS AND STUNT AND SPORT KITE DEMONSTRATIONS.

JAPAN AMERICA SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ALSO WORKS WITH LA'S BEST
AFTERSCHOOL ENRICHMENT PROGRAM TO INCREASE ITS OUTREACH.

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HITACHI JAPANESE KITE WORKSHOPS

SINCE ITS INCEPTION IN 2001, EVERY FALL SEMESTER, THE JAPAN AMERICA SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (JASSC) ORGANIZES AND COORDINATES ITS "HITACHI JAPANESE KITE WORKSHOPS" FOR UNDERSERVED SCHOOLCHILDREN IN THE GREATER LOS ANGELES REGION.

JASSC DEEPLY APPRECIATES THE ONGOING, STRONG SUPPORT FROM HITACHI, LTD., THE PRESENTING SPONSOR OF THE HITACHI JAPANESE KITE WORKSHOPS. THE WORKSHOPS ARE CONDUCTED BY JAPANESE KITE MASTER MIKIO TOKI. THESE ARE "HANDS-ON," IN-CLASSROOM EXPERIENCES THAT INTRODUCE JAPAN AND JAPANESE CULTURE THROUGH THE BUILDING OF A SMALL, TRADITIONAL JAPANESE KITE MADE OF BAMBOO AND WASHI (JAPANESE PAPER).

IN 2015, MORE THAN 1,400 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS BENEFITED FROM WORKSHOPS. THE STUDENTS ALL ATTEND "TITLE I" SCHOOLS (SCHOOLS DESIGNATED AS SERVING LOW-TO-MODERATE REGIONS). TO DATE, MORE THAN 15,000 UNDERSERVED STUDENTS HAVE BENEFITED FROM THIS PROGRAM.

THROUGH THE HITACHI JAPANESE KITE WORKSHOPS, SCHOOLCHILDREN WITH THE GREATEST NEED ARE PROVIDED A POSITIVE INTRODUCTION TO JAPANESE CULTURE.

THE WORKSHOPS ALSO HELP DEVELOP EACH CHILD'S CREATIVITY AND PROMOTE AN "I CAN DO IT!" ATTITUDE AFTER THEY SUCCESSFULLY BUILD AND FLY THEIR FIRST KITE. FURTHERMORE, THE WORKSHOPS HAVE A PROFOUND AND LASTING INFLUENCE; TEACHERS REPORT THAT DURING END-OF-SCHOOL-YEAR REVIEWS, A MAJORITY OF STUDENTS CITE THE HITACHI JAPANESE KITE WORKSHOP AS THEIR FAVORITE EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE OF THE YEAR!

EXPENSES \$ 510,231. INCLUDING GRANTS OF \$ 71,166. REVENUE \$ 35,520.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11:

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAS DELEGATED THE REVIEW OF THE FORM 990 TO THE AUDIT COMMITTEE. JAPAN AMERICA SOCIETY'S OFFICE MANAGER WORKS CLOSELY WITH

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THE OUTSIDE ACCOUNTING FIRM WHICH PREPARES THE RETURN. THE DRAFT IS PROVIDED TO THE AUDIT COMMITTEE FOR CAREFUL REVIEW. THE CHAIR OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORTS BACK TO THE BOARD, ON BEHALF OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE, REGARDING ITS OVERSIGHT OF THE FORM 990 AND THE FINAL DRAFT IS PROVIDED TO THE ENTIRE VOTING BOARD FOR THEIR REVIEW. AFTER REVIEW, THE PRESIDENT OF THE ORGANIZATION SIGNS THE RETURN AND THEN IT IS FILED WITH THE IRS.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C:

THE AUDIT COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD IS CHARGED WITH MONITORING PROPOSED OR ONGOING TRANSACTIONS FOR CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND ADDRESSING ANY POTENTIAL OR ACTUAL CONFLICTS.

PURSUANT TO THE CONFLICTS OF INTEREST POLICY, EACH YEAR, EVERY MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND EACH OF THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES IS REQUIRED TO DISCLOSE, AMONG OTHER THINGS, ANY KNOWN CONFLICT, AND TO SIGN AN ACKNOWLEDGMENT THAT HE OR SHE UNDERSTANDS THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY. THE COMPLETED QUESTIONNAIRES ARE REVIEWED BY THE AUDIT COMMITTEE AND ANY PERSONS WITH ACTUAL OR POTENTIAL CONFLICTS ARE INFORMED VIA WRITTEN COMMUNICATION. IF A POTENTIAL CONFLICT DOES ARISE:

1. THE AUDIT COMMITTEE INVESTIGATES AND DETERMINES IF THERE IS A CONFLICT.
2. IN THE EVENT OF A FINDING OF A CONFLICT BY THE AUDIT COMMITTEE, THE AUDIT COMMITTEE SHALL INVESTIGATE ALTERNATIVES TO THE CONFLICT TRANSACTION, AND REPORT ITS RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE ORGANIZATION'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
3. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS SHALL DETERMINE, AFTER REASONABLE INVESTIGATION OF THE MATERIAL FACTS AND WITHOUT THE VOTE OF APPLICABLE PERSON INVOLVED IN THE CONFLICT, WHETHER, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE CONFLICT TRANSACTION IS FAIR AND REASONABLE AS TO THE ORGANIZATION, CONSIDERING POSSIBLE ALTERNATIVES. THE APPLICABLE PERSON INVOLVED IN THE CONFLICT WILL BE ENTITLED TO MAKE A PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, BUT CANNOT BE PRESENT AT THE

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DELIBERATIONS OR VOTE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. ONLY UPON A FAVORABLE DETERMINATION BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS SHALL THE CONFLICT TRANSACTION BE DEEMED APPROVED.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15A:

THE JAPAN AMERICA SOCIETY'S FINANCE COMMITTEE, ACTING AS THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE, IS COMPRISED SOLELY OF INDEPENDENT, UNCOMPENSATED DIRECTORS, NONE OF WHOM HAS A CONFLICT OF INTEREST WITH RESPECT TO THE COMPENSATION ARRANGEMENTS FOR WHICH IT HAS OVERSIGHT, HAS BEEN DELEGATED AUTHORITY BY THE BOARD TO PROPOSE REASONABLE COMPENSATION PACKAGES FOR THE PRESIDENT. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE DEVELOPS, CONSISTENT WITH THE ORGANIZATION'S PHILOSOPHY AND PRINCIPLES, THE ANNUAL PERFORMANCE GOALS AND CRITERIA TO BE USED IN DETERMINING MERIT INCREASES AND VARIABLE COMPENSATION CRITERIA. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE ALSO REVIEWS, ANALYZES AND PROVIDES BENCHMARKING DATA FOR THE TOTAL COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS PACKAGES OF OTHER EMPLOYEES. APPROPRIATE COMPARABILITY DATA IS OBTAINED FOR TOTAL ECONOMIC BENEFITS PAID BY SIMILARLY SITUATED NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS FOR SIMILAR RESPONSIBILITIES. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORTS ITS RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL. KEY DELIBERATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE ARE CONTEMPORANEOUSLY DOCUMENTED IN MINUTES. DOCUMENTAION INCLUDES: THE TERMS OF THE DELIBERATIONS, MEMBERS PRESENT AND THOSE WHO VOTED ON IT, A DESCRIPTION OF THE COMPARABILITY DATA RELIED UPON AND HOW IT WAS OBTAINED AND DATE APPROVED.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19:

WHILE FEDERAL TAX LAWS DO NOT MANDATE THAT THE JAPAN AMERICA SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA'S (JASSC) GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTIONS,

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THE JASSC MAKES ITS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AVAILABLE EACH YEAR AT ITS ANNUAL MEMBERS MEETING AND UPON REQUEST.

FORM 990, PART XI, LINE 9, CHANGES IN NET ASSETS:

OTHER -3,831.