

# Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

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

- ▶ Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds and controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990. All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$1,000,000 and total assets less than \$2,500,000 at the end of the year may use this form.
- ▶ The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

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**A For the 2008 calendar year, or tax year beginning** 01/01, 2008, and ending 12/31, 20 08

<b>B</b> Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Termination <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.	<b>C Name of organization</b> <b>GREATER WASHINGTON FRIENDS OF SIERRA LEONE</b> Number and street (or P.O. box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite <b>PO Box 15875</b> City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 <b>Washington, DC 20003-0875</b>	<b>D Employer identification number</b> <b>52 1732179</b> <b>E Telephone number</b> ( ) <b>F Group Exemption Number</b> . . . ▶
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• Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).

**G Accounting method:**  Cash  Accrual  
Other (specify) ▶

**I Website:** ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

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

**J Organization type** (check only one) —  501(c) ( **3** ) ◀ (insert no.)  4947(a)(1) or  527

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

**L Add lines 5b, 6b, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts; if \$1,000,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ** ▶ \$ **28,313**

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

<b>Revenue</b>	<b>1</b> Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received . . . . .	<b>1</b>	<b>25,383</b>
	<b>2</b> Program service revenue including government fees and contracts . . . . .	<b>2</b>	<b>93</b>
	<b>3</b> Membership dues and assessments . . . . .	<b>3</b>	
	<b>4</b> Investment income . . . . .	<b>4</b>	<b>48</b>
	<b>5a</b> Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory . . . . .	<b>5a</b>	
	<b>b</b> Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses . . . . .	<b>5b</b>	
	<b>c</b> Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a) (attach schedule) . . . . .	<b>5c</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>6</b> Special events and activities (complete applicable parts of Schedule G). If any amount is from gaming, check here <input type="checkbox"/>		<b>None</b>
	<b>a</b> Gross revenue (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1) . . . . .	<b>6a</b>	
	<b>b</b> Less: direct expenses other than fundraising expenses . . . . .	<b>6b</b>	
<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (Subtract line 6b from line 6a) . . . . .	<b>6c</b>	<b>0</b>	
<b>7a</b> Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances . . . . .	<b>7a</b>	<b>2,229</b>	
<b>b</b> Less: cost of goods sold . . . . .	<b>7b</b>	<b>1,153</b>	
<b>c</b> Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a) . . . . .	<b>7c</b>	<b>1,076</b>	
<b>8</b> Other revenue (describe ▶ <b>See Statement 1</b> ) . . . . .	<b>8</b>	<b>560</b>	
<b>9 Total revenue.</b> Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8. . . . .	<b>9</b>	<b>27,160</b>	
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>10</b> Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule) <b>See Statement 2</b> . . . . .	<b>10</b>	<b>21,220</b>
	<b>11</b> Benefits paid to or for members . . . . .	<b>11</b>	
	<b>12</b> Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits . . . . .	<b>12</b>	
	<b>13</b> Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors . . . . .	<b>13</b>	
	<b>14</b> Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance . . . . .	<b>14</b>	<b>128</b>
	<b>15</b> Printing, publications, postage, and shipping . . . . .	<b>15</b>	<b>1,789</b>
	<b>16</b> Other expenses (describe ▶ <b>See Statement 3</b> ) . . . . .	<b>16</b>	<b>7,315</b>
	<b>17 Total expenses.</b> Add lines 10 through 16 . . . . .	<b>17</b>	<b>30,452</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>18</b> Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9) . . . . .	<b>18</b>	<b>-3,292</b>
	<b>19</b> Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return) . . . . .	<b>19</b>	<b>24,873</b>
	<b>20</b> Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation) . . . . .	<b>20</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>21</b> Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20 . . . . .	<b>21</b>	<b>21,581</b>

**Part II Balance Sheets.** If Total assets on line 25, column (B) are \$2,500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ.

(See the instructions for Part II.)

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
<b>22</b> Cash, savings, and investments . . . . .		<b>24,873</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>21,581</b>
<b>23</b> Land and buildings . . . . .			<b>23</b>	
<b>24</b> Other assets (describe ▶ _____) . . . . .		<b>0</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>25 Total assets</b> . . . . .		<b>24,873</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>21,581</b>
<b>26 Total liabilities</b> (describe ▶ _____) . . . . .		<b>0</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>27 Net assets or fund balances</b> (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21) . . . . .		<b>24,873</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>21,581</b>



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

		Yes	No
33	Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity		✓
34	Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents but not reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes		✓
35	If the organization had income from business activities, such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a (among others), but not reported on Form 990-T, attach a statement explaining your reason for not reporting the income on Form 990-T.		
a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more or section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements?		✓
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?		
36	Was there a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N		✓
37a	Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions. ▶ 37a 0		
b	Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?		✓
38a	Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still unpaid at the start of the period covered by this return?		✓
b	If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved		
39	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9	39a	
b	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities	39b	
40a	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 ▶ 0 ; section 4912 ▶ 0 ; section 4955 ▶ 0		
b	Section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or did it become aware of an excess benefit transaction from a prior year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		✓
c	Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 ▶ 0		
d	Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization ▶ 0		
e	All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T.		✓
41	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed. ▶		
42a	The books are in care of ▶ Mark A Hager Telephone no. ▶ ( 602 ) 327-4393 Located at ▶ 317 E Elm St, Phoenix, AZ 85012 ZIP + 4 ▶ 85012		
b	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ None See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.	Yes No	✓
c	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U.S.? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ None	Yes No	✓
43	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041—Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ▶ 43		<input type="checkbox"/>
44	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	Yes No	✓
45	Is any related organization a controlled entity of the organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	Yes No	✓

**Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations only.** All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 46–49 and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

- |  | Yes | No |
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| <b>46</b> Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I . . . . . |     | ✓  |
| <b>47</b> Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II . . . . .   | ✓   |    |
| <b>48</b> Is the organization operating a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E . . . . .   |     | ✓  |
| <b>49a</b> Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? . . . . .   |     | ✓  |
| <b>49b</b> If "Yes," was the related organization(s) a section 527 organization? . . . . .   |     |    |
- 50** Complete this table for the five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

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

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

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
<b>None</b>		
Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000 . . . ►		

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

**Sign Here**

► Signature of officer \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

► **Mark Hager, Treasurer**  
Type or print name and title.

**Paid Preparer's Use Only**

Preparer's signature ► \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Check if self-employed ►

Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4 ► \_\_\_\_\_ Preparer's Identifying Number (See instructions) \_\_\_\_\_

EIN ► \_\_\_\_\_ Phone no. ► ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Public Charity Status and Public Support**  
To be completed by all section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts.

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

OMB No. 1545-0047

**2008**

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<b>Name of the organization</b> <b>GREATER WASHINGTON FRIENDS OF SIERRA LEONE</b>	<b>Employer identification number</b> <b>52   1732179</b>
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**Part I Reason for Public Charity Status** (All organizations must complete this part.) (see instructions)

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (Please check only **one** organization.)

- 1  A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.
- 2  A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)**. (Attach Schedule E.)
- 3  A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. (Attach Schedule H.)
- 4  A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: None
- 5  An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 6  A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v)**.
- 7  An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 8  A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 9  An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33 1/3 % of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3 % of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2)**. (Complete Part III.)
- 10  An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4)**. (see instructions)
- 11  An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2). See **section 509(a)(3)**. Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h.
  - a  Type I      b  Type II      c  Type III—Functionally integrated      d  Type III—Other
  - e  By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2).
  - f If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, or Type III supporting organization, check this box
  - g Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons?
    - (i) A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (ii) and (iii) below, the governing body of the supported organization?
    - (ii) A family member of a person described in (i) above?
    - (iii) A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above?
  - h Provide the following information about the organizations the organization supports.

	Yes	No
<b>11g(i)</b>		
<b>11g(ii)</b>		
<b>11g(iii)</b>		

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1–9 above or IRC section (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization in col. (i) listed in your governing document?		(v) Did you notify the organization in col. (i) of your support?		(vi) Is the organization in col. (i) organized in the U.S.?		(vii) Amount of support
			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
None									
<b>Total</b>									

**Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**  
 (Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.") . . . . .						
<b>2</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf . . . . .						
<b>3</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge . . . . .						
<b>4 Total.</b> Add lines 1-3 . . . . .						
<b>5</b> The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f) . . . . .						
<b>6 Public support.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4.						

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
<b>7</b> Amounts from line 4 . . . . .						
<b>8</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources . . . . .						
<b>9</b> Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on . . . . .						
<b>10</b> Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.) . . . . .						
<b>11 Total support.</b> Add lines 7 through 10 . . . . .						
<b>12</b> Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions) . . . . .					<b>12</b>	
<b>13 First five years.</b> If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and <b>stop here</b> . . . . . ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>						

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

<b>14</b> Public support percentage for 2008 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f)) . . . . .	<b>14</b>	%
<b>15</b> Public support percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 26f . . . . .	<b>15</b>	%
<b>16a 33 1/3 % support test—2008.</b> If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3 % or more, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . . ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>b 33 1/3 % support test—2007.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3 % or more, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . . ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2008.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . . ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2007.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . . ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>18 Private foundation.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		

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

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.") . . . . .	7,590	19,137	9,353	44,800	25,383	106,263
<b>2</b> Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose . . . . .	318	12,045	0	3,984	2,769	19,116
<b>3</b> Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513 . . . . .	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>4</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf . . . . .	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>5</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge . . . . .	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>6 Total.</b> Add lines 1-5 . . . . .	7,908	31,182	9,353	48,784	28,152	125,379
<b>7a</b> Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons . . . . .	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>b</b> Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of 1% of the total of lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12 for the year or \$5,000 . . . . .	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>c</b> Add lines 7a and 7b . . . . .	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>8 Public support</b> (Subtract line 7c from line 6.) . . . . .						125,379

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
<b>9</b> Amounts from line 6 . . . . .	7,908	31,182	9,353	48,784	28,152	125,379
<b>10a</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources . . . . .	98	80	122	111	48	459
<b>b</b> Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975 . . . . .	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>c</b> Add lines 10a and 10b . . . . .	98	80	122	111	48	459
<b>11</b> Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on . . . . .	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>12</b> Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.) . . . . .	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>13 Total support.</b> (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.) . . . . .						125,838

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

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

<b>15</b> Public support percentage for 2008 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) . . . . .	15	99.64 %
<b>16</b> Public support percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27g . . . . .	16	99 %

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

<b>17</b> Investment income percentage for <b>2008</b> (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) . . . . .	17	0.36 %
<b>18</b> Investment income percentage from <b>2007</b> Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27h . . . . .	18	1 %

**19a 33 1/3 % support tests—2008.** 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—2007.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3 %, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3 %, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶

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



**Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities**

**2008**

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

▶ **To be completed by organizations described below.**  
▶ **Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.**

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Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

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

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

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

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

Name of organization <b>GREATER WASHINGTON FRIENDS OF SIERRA LEONE</b>	Employer identification number <b>52 1732179</b>
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**Part I-A To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c) and section 527 organizations.**  
See the instructions for Schedule C for details.

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

**Part I-B To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3).**  
See the instructions for Schedule C for details.

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

**Part I-C To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).**  
See the instructions for Schedule C for details.

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

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

**Part II-A To be completed by organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3) that filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).** See the instructions for Schedule C for details.

- A** Check  if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group.  
**B** Check  if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply.

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

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

<b>Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period</b>					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) Total
<b>2a</b> Lobbying non-taxable amount					
<b>b</b> Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					
<b>c</b> Total lobbying expenditures					
<b>d</b> Grassroots non-taxable amount					
<b>e</b> Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					
<b>f</b> Grassroots lobbying expenditures					

**Part II-B To be completed by organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3) that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).** See the instructions for Schedule C for details.

	(a)		(b)
	Yes	No	Amount
<b>1</b> During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of:			
<b>a</b> Volunteers?	✓		
<b>b</b> Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?			
<b>c</b> Media advertisements?			
<b>d</b> Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?			
<b>e</b> Publications, or published or broadcast statements?	✓		<b>10</b>
<b>f</b> Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?			
<b>g</b> Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?			
<b>h</b> Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any other means?			
<b>i</b> Other activities? If "Yes," describe in Part IV			
<b>j</b> Total lines 1c through 1i			<b>10</b>
<b>2a</b> Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?			
<b>b</b> If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
<b>c</b> If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
<b>d</b> If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

**Part III-A To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).** See the instructions for Schedule C for details.

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

**Part III-B To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) if BOTH Part III-A, questions 1 and 2 are answered "No" OR if Part III-A, question 3 is answered "Yes."** See Schedule C instructions for details.

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

**Part IV Supplemental Information**

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

**See Statement 6**

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**Statement 1 : Other Revenue Schedule**

**Statement 2 : Grants and Similar Amounts Paid**

**Statement 3 : Other Expenses Schedule**

**Statement 4 : Program Service Accomplishments**

**Statement 5 : Officers, Directors, Trustees and Key Employees Compensation**

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**Statement 1**

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OtherRevenuesSchedule2

**GREATER WASHINGTON FRIENDS OF SIERRA LEONE**

**52-1732179**

**Other Revenue Schedule**

<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Dues collected for and passed to National Peace Corps Association	\$560
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$560</b>

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GrantsAndSimilarAmountsPaidSchedule

Grants and Similar Amounts Paid

	Book Value	FMV Amount
<b>Type of Activity:</b> Education <b>Donee's name and address:</b> Bunce Island Project Joseph Opala under auspices of Friends of Sierra Leone <b>Purpose of payment to affiliate:</b> Project expenses <b>Relationship:</b> <b>Description:</b> <b>How Book Value Determined:</b> <b>How FMV Determined:</b> <b>Date of Gift:</b>		\$5,980
<b>Type of Activity:</b> International <b>Donee's name and address:</b> Women for Women in Sierra Leone Sierra Leone , SL <b>Purpose of payment to affiliate:</b> Classroom construction <b>Relationship:</b> <b>Description:</b> <b>How Book Value Determined:</b> <b>How FMV Determined:</b> <b>Date of Gift:</b>		\$3,000
<b>Type of Activity:</b> International <b>Donee's name and address:</b> School for the Blind Sierra Leone , SL <b>Purpose of payment to affiliate:</b> Improvement project expenses <b>Relationship:</b> <b>Description:</b> <b>How Book Value Determined:</b> <b>How FMV Determined:</b> <b>Date of Gift:</b>		\$2,200
<b>Type of Activity:</b> International <b>Donee's name and address:</b> Pan-African Development Initiatives Sierra Leone , SL <b>Purpose of payment to affiliate:</b> Elementary school project		\$2,970

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Relationship:

Description:

How Book Value

Determined:

How FMV

Determined:

Date of Gift:

Type of Activity: International \$1,070

Donee's name and address: Cheshire House - Bo

Sierra Leone

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SL

Purpose of payment to affiliate: Pass-thru contribution from Baltimore school

Relationship:

Description:

How Book Value

Determined:

How FMV

Determined:

Date of Gift:

Type of Activity: International \$3,000

Donee's name and address: Peaceful Schools International

Sierra Leone

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SL

Purpose of payment to affiliate: School project in Mapaki

Relationship:

Description:

How Book Value

Determined:

How FMV

Determined:

Date of Gift:

Type of Activity: International \$3,000

Donee's name and address: CITA International

Sierra Leone

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SL

Purpose of payment to affiliate: Women's Agriculture and Income Generation Project

Relationship:

Description:

How Book Value

Determined:

How FMV

Determined:

Date of Gift:

**Total:** **\$0** **\$21,220**

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OtherExpensesSchedule2

**GREATER WASHINGTON FRIENDS OF SIERRA LEONE**

**52-1732179**

**Other Expenses Schedule**

<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Annual meetings	\$5,120
Equipment and Supplies	\$503
Board meetings and travel	\$1,017
Dues collected and passed to National Peace Corps Association	\$560
NPCA affiliate membership fee	\$90
Seed new Solar Electric Initiative account	\$25
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$7,315</b>

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ProgramServiceAccomplishmentStatement

Program Service Accomplishments

Achievement	Grants And Allocations	includes Foreign Grants	Program Service Expenses
Through its newsletter and other mailings, Friends of Sierra Leone helped to keep members up to date on events in Sierra Leone and the organization's efforts to provide assistance in the country. (300 members)	\$0		\$1,889
Friends of Sierra Leone provided small grants to organizations that are providing direct humanitarian aid or community development in Sierra Leone. (500 people)	\$15,240		\$0
Through its annual meeting and other events, Friends of Sierra Leone helped to educate its members and the general public concerning the history, culture, and current events in Sierra Leone. (50 members)	\$0		\$5,119
<b>Total:</b>			<b>\$7,008</b>

Statement 5

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Line Number: Part IV

OfficersDirectorsEtcStatement

Officers, Directors, Trustees and Key Employees Compensation

Name	Title and Hrs	Compensation	Benefits	Expense
P Murrah c/o Friends of Sierra Leone PO Box 15875 Washington, DC 20003	President 10	\$0		
A Fanday c/o Friends of Sierra Leone PO Box 15875 Washington, DC 20003	Vice President 5	\$0		
M Hager c/o Friends of Sierra Leone PO Box 15875 Washington, DC 20003	Treasurer 5	\$0		
<b>Total:</b>		<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

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**Supplemental Information**

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**Explanation:**

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**Reference:** Schedule C, Part II-B, Line 1 Friends of Sierra Leone encourages its membership to contact its legislators on behalf of issues that are important to Sierra Leone or Sierra Leoneans living in the United States. In 2008, Friends of Sierra Leone was active in contacting government employees and legislators regarding the potential for re-establishing a Peace Corps program in Sierra Leone. Lobbying is voluntary, and unreimbursed. The \$10 in lobbying expenditures is an estimated allocation of internet expenses, since member communication transpires primarily through listservs, personal email, and information posted to the Friends of Sierra Leone website.

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