

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

2009

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

Open to Public Inspection

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

A For the 2009 calendar year, or tax year beginning , 2009, and ending , 20

B Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.	C Name of organization <u>Indego Africa Project</u>		D Employer identification number 20 : 5874831
		Doing Business As		E Telephone number (713) 568-1642
		Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite <u>507 Archwood Trail</u>	G Gross receipts \$ 111,829	
F Name and address of principal officer: <u>Matthew Mitro</u>				H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No H(b) Are all affiliates 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) (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527				
J Website: ▶ <u>www.indegoafrica.org</u>				
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: 2006 M State of legal domicile: TX	

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <u>Indego Africa Project is a partnership between African communities and volunteers committed to alleviating poverty and chronic unemployment in Africa by providing reliable income, developing job skills, and affording access to export markets, with the goal of creating and supporting businesses.</u>		
	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	6
	4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	4
	5	Total number of employees (Part V, line 2a)	5	1
	6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	120
	7a	Total gross unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0
7b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	0	
Revenue	8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year	Current Year
	9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	55,648	73,406
	10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	0	0
	11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	476	450
	12	Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	31,586	17,827
Expenses	13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	87,710	91,683
	14	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	2,908	3,369
	15	Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)	0	0
	16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	22,607	38,754
	b	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶	0	0
	17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24f)	17,392	31,140
	18	Total expenses. Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	42,907	73,263
19	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	44,803	18,420	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
	21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	67,277	84,468
	22	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	2,153	923
			65,125	83,545

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 ▶ Thomas M. Mitro Signature of officer | Date 04-29-2010
 ▶ Thomas M. Mitro Treasurer Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer's Use Only	Preparer's signature ▶	Date	Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/>	Preparer's identifying number (see instructions)
	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4 ▶	EIN ▶	Phone no. ▶ ()	

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

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:
Indego Africa Project is a partnership between African communities and volunteers committed to alleviating poverty and chronic unemployment in Africa by providing reliable income, developing job skills, and affording access to export markets, with the goal of creating and supporting businesses.

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? Yes No
If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? Yes No
If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.

4 Describe the exempt purpose achievements for each of the organization's three largest program services by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts 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: NA) (Expenses \$ 3,369 including grants of \$ 3,369) (Revenue \$ _____)
Rwandan Hand-Up Program: Indego Africa ensures the long-term success of its partners by helping them achieve economic self-sufficiency and enhance their earning capacity. Education and skills-building are the core components of the Hand-Up program, which is supported by 100% of profits on handicraft sales, individual donations, fundraisers and foundation grants. These funds help Indego Africa partner cooperatives to: (a) stabilize commercial opportunities for their members, (b) conduct regular skills training programs, (c) improve organizational management, and (d) focus on sustainability through securing a capital equipment base. Hand-Up provides training to more than 150 women in Rwanda, who have acquired basic management, bookkeeping, computer, entrepreneur and literacy skills. The Hand-Up program provides internship and teaching instruction opportunities to 7-8 college students per semester through a partnership with U.S. NGO Orphans of Rwanda. As part of the program Indego Africa also makes grants to partner cooperatives intended to cover cost of equipment, facilities and capital needs. (Note: The \$3,369 above is only direct assistance and excludes the \$55,395 referenced in Part III, Line 4b that also relates to Hand-Up).

4b (Code: N/A) (Expenses \$ 55,395 including grants of \$ 0) (Revenue \$ 26,320)
Rwandan Handicraft Program: Indego Africa purchases and markets Rwandan handicrafts in the U.S. in order to increase revenue to local coops of artisans. Approximately 200 women have been served by this program and have contributed products for sale in the U.S., both on the internet and in 20+ retail stores. The artisans receive five times more income than they had earned before the intervention of Indego Africa, in accordance with the organization's fair trade practices policy. (Note: The gross revenue of \$26,320 is before considering costs of purchasing products from the women and other related costs such as shipping and materials. Reported Cost of Goods Sold amounted to \$20,146 on an accrual basis in 2009. Actual cash payments to partner co-ops in Rwanda during 2009 amounted to \$5,991 primarily reflected in inventory purchases as reflected in changes in Part X Lines 8).
NOTE: The above total of \$55,396 includes costs of supporting both the Rwandan Hand-Up and the Rwandan Handicraft Program, and excludes COGS (i.e. actual cash payments to women for purposes of this section) and amounts paid as direct assistance (noted in Part III, Line 4a above).

4c (Code: _____) (Expenses \$ _____ including grants of \$ _____) (Revenue \$ _____)

4d Other program services. (Describe in Schedule O.)
(Expenses \$ 55,800 including grants of \$ 3,369) (Revenue \$ 26,320)

4e Total program service expenses 59,169

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>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2	Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5	Section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), and 501(c)(6) organizations. Is the organization subject to the section 6033(e) notice and reporting requirement and proxy tax? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts where 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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
9	Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21; 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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
10	Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in term, permanent, or quasi-endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11	Is the organization's answer to any of the following questions "Yes"? <i>If so, complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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> • 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> • 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> • 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> • Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X.</i> • 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X.</i> 		
12	Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
12A	Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," completing Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII is optional.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
14a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14b	Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, and program service activities outside the United States? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part I</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or assistance to any organization or entity located outside the United States? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part II</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
16	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or assistance to individuals located outside the United States? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part III</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
20	Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules *(continued)*

	Yes	No
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II.</i>		✓
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III.</i>		✓
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>		✓
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 25.</i>		✓
24b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		✓
24c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		✓
24d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		✓
25a Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) 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>		✓
25b Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I.</i>		✓
26 Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highly compensated employee, or disqualified person outstanding as of the end of the organization's tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II.</i>		✓
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor, or a grant selection committee member, or to a person related to such an individual? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III.</i>		✓
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):		
28a A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>		✓
28b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>		✓
28c An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee of the organization (or a family member) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>		✓
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M.</i>		✓
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>		✓
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I.</i>		✓
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>		✓
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>		✓
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1.</i>		✓
35 Is any related organization 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>		✓
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>		✓
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11 and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O.		✓

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096, Annual Summary and Transmittal of U.S. Information Returns. Enter -0- if not applicable		
	1a 0		
b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable		
	1b 0		
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	✓	
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return		
	2a 1		
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file this return. (see instructions)		
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year covered by this return?		✓
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O		
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?	✓	
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ► <u>Rwanda</u> See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.		
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?		✓
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		✓
c	If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T, Disclosure by Tax-Exempt Entity Regarding Prohibited Tax Shelter Transaction?		✓
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible?		✓
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?		✓
7 Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).			
a	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?	✓	
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	✓	
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?		✓
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year		
	7d		
e	Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?		✓
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?		✓
g	For all contributions of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	✓	
h	For contributions of cars, boats, airplanes, and other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C as required?	✓	
8 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations.	Did the supporting organization, or a donor advised fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year?		✓
9 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.			
a	Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		✓
b	Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		✓
10 Section 501(c)(7) organizations.	Enter:		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a	
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b	
11 Section 501(c)(12) organizations.	Enter:		
a	Gross income from members or shareholders	11a	
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	11b	
12a Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts.	Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12a	✓
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b	

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.

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body		6
b	Enter the number of voting members that are independent		4
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?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
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?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its organizational documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a material diversion of the organization's assets?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6	Does the organization have members or stockholders?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7a	Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b	Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
a	The governing body?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

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

		Yes	No
10a	Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
b	If "Yes," does the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with those of the organization?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
11	Has the organization provided a copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
11A	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.		
12a	Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
b	Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
c	Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this is done	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
13	Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
14	Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
b	Other officers or key employees of the organization	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	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?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b	If "Yes," has the organization adopted a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and taken 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 ►
- 18** Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you make these available. Check all that apply.
 Own website Another's website Upon request
- 19** Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how), the organization makes its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public.
- 20** State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization: ► **Thomas Mitro, 507 Archwood Trail, Houston, TX 713-568-1842 Ext 2**

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

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. Use Schedule J-2 if additional space is needed.

- 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. 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 the organization did not compensate any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(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			
Matthew Mitro President & Director (Chairman)	40	✓		✓	✓	✓		36,000	0	0
Benjamin Stone Senior VP & General Counsel	40			✓				0	0	0
Thomas Mitro VP Finance & Director	30	✓		✓				0	0	0
Victoria Burr Assistant General Counsel	40		✓		✓			0	0	0
Byron Townsend Director	5	✓						0	0	0
Vadim Brusser Secretary	2			✓				0	0	0
Karol Boudreaux Director	5	✓						0	0	0
Lyse Hunger Director	2	✓						0	0	0
Carsten Reichel Director	2	✓						0	0	0
Nick Grandy VP Information Technology	5			✓				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	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(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			
1b Total							36,000	0	0	

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 in reportable compensation from the organization **0**

	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>		✓
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>		✓
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>		✓

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.

(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 in compensation from the organization **0**

Part VIII Statement of Revenue				(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512, 513, or 514	
Contributions, gifts, grants and other similar amounts	1a Federated campaigns	1a						
	b Membership dues	1b						
	c Fundraising events	1c	21,110					
	d Related organizations	1d						
	e Government grants (contributions).	1e						
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	52,296					
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$							
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f ▶		73,406					
Program Service Revenue			Business Code					
	2a							
	b							
	c							
	d							
	e							
	f All other program service revenue							
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f ▶		0					
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts) ▶			450	450	0	0	
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds ▶			0	0	0	0	
	5 Royalties ▶			0	0	0	0	
	6a Gross Rents	(i) Real	(ii) Personal					
		b Less: rental expenses						
		c Rental income or (loss)						
		d Net rental income or (loss) ▶			0	0	0	0
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other					
		b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses						
		c Gain or (loss)						
		d Net gain or (loss) ▶			0	0	0	0
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ <u>21,110</u> of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	a		26,345				
		b Less: direct expenses	b	14,691				
		c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events ▶		11,653	0	0	11,653	
	9a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	a		0				
		b Less: direct expenses.	b	0				
		c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities ▶		0	0	0	0	
	10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a		26,320				
b Less: cost of goods sold		b	20,146					
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory ▶			6,174	6,174	0	0		
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code						
11a								
b								
c								
d All other revenue								
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d ▶			0					
12 Total revenue. See instructions. ▶			91,683	6,624	0	11,653		

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) but are not required to complete columns (B), (C), and (D).

<i>Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.</i>	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the U.S. See Part IV, line 21	0	0		
2 Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U.S. See Part IV, line 22	0	0		
3 Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the U.S. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16	3,369	3,369		
4 Benefits paid to or for members	0	0		
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	36,000	27,136	3,388	5,476
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	0	0	0	0
7 Other salaries and wages	0	0	0	0
8 Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)	0	0	0	0
9 Other employee benefits	0	0	0	0
10 Payroll taxes	2,754	2,076	259	419
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management	0	0	0	0
b Legal	0	0	0	0
c Accounting	3,879	0	3,879	0
d Lobbying	0	0	0	0
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17	0			0
f Investment management fees	0	0	0	0
g Other	22,647	22,647	0	0
12 Advertising and promotion	0	0	0	0
13 Office expenses	1,543	891	578	74
14 Information technology	501	133	368	0
15 Royalties	0	0	0	0
16 Occupancy	332	289	43	0
17 Travel	1,809	1,809	0	0
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials	0	0	0	0
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	0	0	0	0
20 Interest	0	0	0	0
21 Payments to affiliates	0	0	0	0
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	0	0	0	0
23 Insurance	0	0	0	0
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (Expenses grouped together and labeled miscellaneous may not exceed 5% of total expenses shown on line 25 below.)				
a Currency Exchange Losses	261	261	0	0
b Licenses and Permits	168	153	0	15
c				
d				
e				
f All other expenses				
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f	73,263	58,764	8,515	5,984
26 Joint costs. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation				

Part X Balance Sheet

		(A)		(B)
		Beginning of year		End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	11,236	1	22,398
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	40,576	2	49,526
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	0	3	0
	4 Accounts receivable, net	116	4	3
	5 Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L	0	5	0
	6 Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B). Complete Part II of Schedule L	0	6	0
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net	0	7	0
	8 Inventories for sale or use	14,423	8	12,541
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	926	9	0
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b		10c
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities		11	
	12 Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11		12	
	13 Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11		15	
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	67,277	16	84,468	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	2,152	17	923
	18 Grants payable	0	18	0
	19 Deferred revenue	0	19	0
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities	0	20	0
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D	0	21	0
	22 Payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L	0	22	0
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties	0	23	0
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties	0	24	0
25 Other liabilities. Complete Part X of Schedule D	0	25	0	
26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	2,152	26	923	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	65,125	27	83,545
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets		28	
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, 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	65,125	33	83,545	
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	67,277	34	84,468	

Part XI Financial Statements and Reporting

- 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? . . .
- b** Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?
- 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.
- d** If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were issued on a consolidated basis, separate basis, or both:
 Separate basis Consolidated basis Both consolidated and separate basis
- 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	✓	
2b		✓
2c	✓	
3a		✓
3b		

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support
Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.

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

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

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

- 1 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.
- 2 A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)**. (Attach Schedule E.)
- 3 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**.
- 4 A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: _____
- 5 An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 6 A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v)**.
- 7 An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 8 A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 9 An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33 1/3 % of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3 % of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2)**. (Complete Part III.)
- 10 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4)**.
- 11 An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2). See **section 509(a)(3)**. Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h.
 - a Type I b Type II c Type III—Functionally integrated d Type III—Other
- e By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2).
- f If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, or Type III supporting organization, check this box
- g Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons?
 - (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?

	Yes	No
11g(i)		
11g(ii)		
11g(iii)		

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

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

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")			23,043	55,648	73,406	152,097
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf			0	0	0	0
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge			0	0	0	0
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3			23,043	55,648	73,406	152,097
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)						60,070
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						92,070

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4			23,043	55,648	73,406	152,907
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources			0	476	450	926
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on			0	0	0	0
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)			3,877	31,586	17,827	53,290
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						207,123
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	0
13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here						<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

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

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

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public support (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						

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

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

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

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

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

19a 33 1/3 % support tests—2009. If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3 %, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3 %, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ►

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

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

Part IV Supplemental Information. Complete this part to provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; and Part III, line 12. Provide any other additional information. See instructions.

Part II, Line 10: Handicraft Program - Indego Africa purchases and markets Rwandan handicrafts in the U.S. in order to increase revenue to local coops of artisans. Approximately 200 women have been served by this program and have contributed products for sale in the U.S., both on the internet and in 20 retail stores. The artisans receive two to three times more income than they had earned before the intervention of Indego Africa, in accordance with the organization's fair trade practices policy. The handicraft generated net income of \$6,174 on an accrual basis in 2009 (as reported on Line 10c in Part VIII).

Part II, Line 10: Fundraisers - Indego Africa held numerous fundraisers in the United States in 2009 that were open to the public. These fundraisers generated net income of \$11,653 in 2009 (as reported on Line 8c in Part VIII).

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

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Schedule of Contributors

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

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Name of the organization

Indego Africa Project

Employer identification number

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Organization type (check one):

Filers of:

Section:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

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

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

527 political organization

Form 990-PF

501(c)(3) exempt private foundation

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

501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

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

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

General Rule

For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II.

Special Rules

For a section 501(c)(3) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33⅓% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), and received from any one contributor, during the year, a contribution of the greater of **(1)** \$5,000 or **(2)** 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.

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

For a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but these contributions did not aggregate to more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Do not complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received nonexclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$5,000 or more during the year ▶ \$

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

Statement of Activities Outside the United States

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 14b, 15, or 16.

▶ Attach to Form 990. ▶ See separate instructions.

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Part I **General Information on Activities Outside the United States.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 14b.

1 For grantmakers. Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? Yes No

2 For grantmakers. Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds outside the United States.

3 Activities per Region. (Use Schedule F-1 (Form 990) if additional space is needed.)

(a) Region	(b) Number of offices in the region	(c) Number of employees or agents in region	(d) Activities conducted in region (by type) (i.e., fundraising, program services, grants to recipients located in the region)	(e) If activity listed in (d) is a program service, describe specific type of service(s) in region	(f) Total expenditures for region
Rwanda	1	3	Program services	training, handicrafts	58,764
Totals ▶	1	3			58,764

Part II

Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations or Entities Outside the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 15, for any recipient who received more than \$5,000. Check this box if no one recipient received more than \$5,000 Use Schedule F-1 (Form 990) 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)

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 Enter total number of other organizations or entities

Part IV **Supplemental Information**

Complete this part to provide the information required in Part I, line 2, and any additional information.

Part I, Line 2: Selection of partner coops and grantees is conducted pursuant to our Donation Recipient Policy, available at: www.indegoafrica.org/images/indego/docs/Board-Policies-PDF/Donation.Recipient.Policy-Indego.Africa-Apr.25.07.pdf

Dotted lines for supplemental information.

SCHEDULE G
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

**Supplemental Information Regarding
Fundraising or Gaming Activities**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, lines 17, 18, or 19, or if the organization entered more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.
▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ See separate instructions.

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Employer identification number

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Part I

Fundraising Activities. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 17. Form 990-EZ filers are not required to complete this part.

1 Indicate whether the organization raised funds through any of the following activities. Check all that apply.

- a Mail solicitations
- b Internet and email solicitations
- c Phone solicitations
- d In-person solicitations
- e Solicitation of non-government grants
- f Solicitation of government grants
- g Special fundraising events

2a Did the organization have a written or oral agreement with any individual (including officers, directors, trustees or key employees listed in Form 990, Part VII) or entity in connection with professional fundraising services? Yes No

b If "Yes," list the ten highest paid individuals or entities (fundraisers) pursuant to agreements under which the fundraiser is to be compensated at least \$5,000 by the organization.

(i) Name of individual or entity (fundraiser)	(ii) Activity	(iii) Did fundraiser have custody or control of contributions?		(iv) Gross receipts from activity	(v) Amount paid to (or retained by) fundraiser listed in col. (i)	(vi) Amount paid to (or retained by) organization
		Yes	No			
Total						

3 List all states in which the organization is registered or licensed to solicit funds or has been notified it is exempt from registration or licensing.

Part II Fundraising Events. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 18, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a. List events with gross receipts greater than \$5,000.

		(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other events	(d) Total events
		Chicago event (event type)	DC event (event type)	NY event (total number)	(add col. (a) through col. (c))
Revenue	1 Gross receipts	10,125	20,856	9,245	40,226
	2 Less: Charitable contributions	2,080	10,281	3,605	15,966
	3 Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)	8,045	10,575	5,640	24,260
Direct Expenses	4 Cash prizes	170	3,000	0	3,170
	5 Noncash prizes	0	0	0	0
	6 Rent/facility costs	750	1,352	1,510	3,612
	7 Food and beverages	549	2,001	108	2,658
	8 Entertainment	150	500	0	650
	9 Other direct expenses	292	1,752	0	2,044
	10 Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d) ▶				(12,134)
11 Net income summary. Combine line 3, column (d), and line 10 ▶				12,126	

Part III Gaming. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to 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))
Revenue	1 Gross revenue				
Direct Expenses	2 Cash prizes				
	3 Noncash prizes				
	4 Rent/facility costs				
	5 Other direct expenses				
	6 Volunteer labor	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____% <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____% <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____% <input type="checkbox"/> No	
7 Direct expense summary. Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d) ▶				()	
8 Net gaming income summary. Combine line 1, column d, and line 7 ▶					

	Yes	No
9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization operates gaming activities: _____		
a Is the organization licensed to operate gaming activities in each of these states?	9a	
b If "No," explain: _____		
10a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended or terminated during the tax year?	10a	
b If "Yes," explain: _____		
11 Does the organization operate gaming activities with nonmembers?	11	
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?	12	

			Yes	No
13	Indicate the percentage of gaming activity operated 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 ▶			
	Address ▶			
15a	Does the organization have a contract with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue?	15a		
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 ▶			
	Gaming manager compensation ▶ \$			
	Description of services provided ▶			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Director/officer <input type="checkbox"/> Employee <input type="checkbox"/> 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?	17a		
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 ▶ \$			

**SCHEDULE O
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Supplemental Information to Form 990
Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
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Form 990, Part VI, Line 2: Matt Mitro, chief executive officer and member of the Board, is the son of Thomas Mitro, treasurer and member of the Board. In both their roles as officers and directors, Matt Mitro and Thomas Mitro were elected by a vote of the fully-independent members of the Board of Directors.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 9: The following officers and directors are not located at Indego Africa's primary address:

Ben Stone, Officer, 405 East 82nd Street #4H, New York, NY 10028

Victoria Burr, Officer, 215 W. 84th Street #309, New York, NY 10024

J. Byron Townsend III, Officer and Director, 18013 Bryans Crossing, Baton Rouge, LA 70817

Vadim Brusser, Officer, 2209 12th Court North, Arlington, VA 22201

**Karol Boudreaux, Director, Mercatus Center, George Mason University, 3301 North Fairfax Drive, Suite 450
Arlington, VA 22201**

Lyse Hunger, Director, Calle de Peru 7, Miami Platja, Tarragona, Spain 43892

Carsten M. Reichel, Director, 2303 Seminary Road, Silver Spring, MD 20910

Nick Grandy, Officer, 10 Heron Street, San Francisco, CA 94103

Form 990, Part VI, Line 10: Indego Africa has Regional Boards located in Washington DC, New York City, Chicago, Los Angeles, and San Francisco. Each Regional Board is composed of professionals who support the mission of Indego Africa. Each Regional Board is independent of Indego Africa (thus technically an affiliate and not a branch or chapter) and has its own Charter, which mandates that its operations are consistent with Indego Africa's operations.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 11 & 11A: The draft version of the Form 990 is presented to both the full Board of Directors and the fully-independent Audit Committee of the Board of Directors prior to being filed with the IRS. The Audit Committee is charged with approving the underlying financial statements and any key programmatic accounting classifications. The Audit Committee is composed of members with a wide variety of experience in financial and legal matters, including: one certified public accountant, one member with a Master's of Business Administration in corporate accounting, and one attorney experienced in corporate compliance.

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Form 990, Part VI, Line 12c: Indego Africa has a written Conflict of Interest Policy. In accordance with this policy, all directors, officers and major volunteers are required to sign an annual Conflict of Interest Policy Acknowledgemnt Form, which indicates that they have read in full and agreed to follow the Conflict of Interest Policy. The officers elevate all decisions involving potential conflicts of interest to the fully-independent members of the Board of Directors.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 15b: The selection of Matt Mitro as a paid chief executive and the determination of his salary was carried out by a quorum of fully-independent members of the Board of Directors. In addition, a detailed study and analysis of compensation for chief executives of similar experience working for organizations with a similar size and mission was undertaken. This decision and the process underlying it was certified by a resolution of the fully-independent members of the Board of Directors, accompanied by minutes documenting the deliberation and discussion.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 19: All internal policies, governing documents, financial statements, and public filings of the organization are disclosed to the public on Indego Africa's website, available at: www.indegoafrica.org/transparency-and-ethics/

Form 990, Part VIII, Line 8b & Schedule G, Part II: Indego Africa makes its best efforts to reduce costs and solicit donated products, facility rentals, and services. For fundraising events in 2009, Indego Africa sought help from more than 120 volunteers in planning and execution of the events - from procuring donations and managing event logistics to graphic design and promotional communications. Indego Africa has partnered with the NGO One Brick, which provides volunteers for non-profit events, to staff the fundraisers in Washington DC and Chicago. This predominantly volunteer workforce has enabled Indego Africa to sponsor large, awareness-raising events on a limited budget. Indego Africa tracks total hours spent on planning fundraisers and estimates that approximately 1,132 planning hours (out of a total of 1,180 planning hours, roughly 96%) were spent by volunteers (unpaid manpower).