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Form **990**

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No 1545-0047

2006

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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

Open to Public Inspection

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

A For the 2006 calendar year, or tax year beginning _____ **and ending** _____

B Check if applicable:
 Address change
 Name change
 Initial return
 Final return
 Amended return
 Application pending

C Name of organization
MEDIA MATTERS FOR AMERICA
 Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
1625 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, NW 300
 City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4
WASHINGTON, DC 20036

D Employer identification number
47-0928008

E Telephone number
202-756-4100

F Accounting method Cash Accrual
 Other (specify) _____

G Website: **MEDIAMATTERS.ORG**

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

K Check here if the organization is not a 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 Gross receipts: Add lines 6b, 8b, 9b, and 10b to line 12 **5,200,881.**

H and I are not applicable to section 527 organizations.
H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates? Yes No
H(b) If "Yes," enter number of affiliates **N/A**
H(c) Are all affiliates included? **N/A** Yes No (If "No," attach a list.)
H(d) Is this a separate return filed by an organization covered by a group ruling? Yes No
I Group Exemption Number **N/A**

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

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances			
Revenue	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received:		
	a Contributions to donor advised funds	1a	
	b Direct public support (not included on line 1a)	1b	4,994,896.
	c Indirect public support (not included on line 1a)	1c	
	d Government contributions (grants) (not included on line 1a)	1d	
	e Total (add lines 1a through 1d) (cash \$ 4,092,553. noncash \$ 902,343.)	1e	4,994,896.
	2 Program service revenue including government fees and contracts (from Part VII, line 93)	2	
	3 Membership dues and assessments	3	
	4 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	4	205,985.
	5 Dividends and interest from securities	5	
	6 a Gross rents	6a	
	b Less: rental expenses	6b	
c Net rental income or (loss). Subtract line 6b from line 6a	6c		
7 Other investment income (describe _____)	7		
	8 a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(A) Securities	(B) Other
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	8a	
	c Gain or (loss) (attach schedule)	8b	
	d Net gain or (loss). Combine line 8c, columns (A) and (B)	8c	
	8d		
	9 Special events and activities (attach schedule). If any amount is from gaming, check here <input type="checkbox"/>		
	a Gross revenue (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1b)	9a	
	b Less: direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	9b	
	c Net income or (loss) from special events. Subtract line 9b from line 9a	9c	
	10 a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	10a	
b Less: cost of goods sold	10b		
c Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (attach schedule). Subtract line 10b from line 10a	10c		
11 Other revenue (from Part VII, line 103)	11		
12 Total revenue. Add lines 1a, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6c, 7, 8d, 9c, 10c, and 11	12	5,200,881.	
Expenses	13 Program services (from line 44, column (B))	13	5,185,123.
	14 Management and general (from line 44, column (C))	14	438,981.
	15 Fundraising (from line 44, column (D))	15	236,516.
	16 Payments to affiliates (attach schedule)	16	
	17 Total expenses. Add lines 16 and 44, column (A)	17	5,860,620.
Net Assets	18 Excess or (deficit) for the year. Subtract line 17 from line 12	18	<659,739.>
	19 Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 73, column (A))	19	6,212,090.
	20 Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)	20	0.
	21 Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18, 19, and 20	21	5,552,351.

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Part II Statement of Functional Expenses

All organizations must complete column (A). Columns (B), (C), and (D) are required for section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts but optional for others.

Do not include amounts reported on line 6b, 8b, 9b, 10b, or 16 of Part I	(A) Total	(B) Program services	(C) Management and general	(D) Fundraising
22a Grants paid from donor advised funds (attach schedule) (cash \$ 0, noncash \$ 0) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	22a			
22b Other grants and allocations (attach schedule) (cash \$ 0, noncash \$ 0) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	22b			
23 Specific assistance to individuals (attach schedule)	23			
24 Benefits paid to or for members (attach schedule)	24			
25a Compensation of current officers, directors, key employees, etc. listed in Part V-A STMT 2	25a	360,608.	197,249.	145,329.
b Compensation of former officers, directors, key employees, etc. listed in Part V-B	25b	0.	0.	0.
c Compensation and other distributions, not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	25c			
26 Salaries and wages of employees not included on lines 25a, b, and c	26	2,764,295.	2,625,921.	126,621.
27 Pension plan contributions not included on lines 25a, b, and c	27	32,385.	30,484.	1,599.
28 Employee benefits not included on lines 25a - 27	28	179,484.	165,389.	11,841.
29 Payroll taxes	29	234,480.	211,700.	19,469.
30 Professional fundraising fees	30	165,970.		165,970.
31 Accounting fees	31			
32 Legal fees	32			
33 Supplies	33	66,909.	63,235.	3,023.
34 Telephone	34	151,360.	144,183.	5,535.
35 Postage and shipping	35	9,963.	8,886.	609.
36 Occupancy	36	470,146.	427,799.	37,914.
37 Equipment rental and maintenance	37			
38 Printing and publications	38	47,702.	44,425.	2,600.
39 Travel	39	265,479.	247,327.	7,684.
40 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	40			
41 Interest	41			
42 Depreciation, depletion, etc (attach schedule)	42	144,659.	130,866.	12,349.
43 Other expenses not covered above (itemize).				
a _____	43a			
b _____	43b			
c _____	43c			
d _____	43d			
e _____	43e			
f _____	43f			
g SEE STATEMENT 1	43g	967,180.	887,659.	64,408.
44 Total functional expenses. Add lines 22a through 43g. (Organizations completing columns (B)-(D), carry these totals to lines 13-15)	44	5,860,620.	5,185,123.	438,981.
				236,516.

Joint Costs. Check if you are following SOP 98-2

Are any joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation reported in (B) Program services? Yes No
 If "Yes," enter (i) the aggregate amount of these joint costs \$ N/A; (ii) the amount allocated to Program services \$ N/A; (iii) the amount allocated to Management and general \$ N/A, and (iv) the amount allocated to Fundraising \$ N/A

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (See the instructions)

Form 990 is available for public inspection and, for some people, serves as the primary or sole source of information about a particular organization. How the public perceives an organization in such cases may be determined by the information presented on its return. Therefore, please make sure the return is complete and accurate and fully describes, in Part III, the organization's programs and accomplishments.

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? ► <u>SEE STATEMENT 3</u>	Program Service Expenses (Required for 501(c)(3) and (4) orgs., and 4947(a)(1) trusts; but optional for others.)
All organizations must describe their exempt purpose achievements in a clear and concise manner. State the number of clients served, publications issued, etc. Discuss achievements that are not measurable (Section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must also enter the amount of grants and allocations to others.)	
a <u>MEDIA MATTERS FOR AMERICA WORKS TO NOTIFY ACTIVISTS, JOURNALISTS, PUNDITS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC ABOUT INSTANCES OF MISINFORMATION, PROVIDING THEM WITH THE RESOURCES TO REBUT FALSE CLAIMS AND TAKE DIRECT ACTION AGAINST OFFENDING MEDIA INSTITUTIONS.</u>	
(Grants and allocations \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ► <input type="checkbox"/>	5,185,123.
b	
(Grants and allocations \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ► <input type="checkbox"/>	
c	
(Grants and allocations \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ► <input type="checkbox"/>	
d	
(Grants and allocations \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ► <input type="checkbox"/>	
e Other program services (attach schedule)	
(Grants and allocations \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ► <input type="checkbox"/>	
f Total of Program Service Expenses (should equal line 44, column (B), Program services) ►	5,185,123.

Part IV Balance Sheets (See the instructions)

Note: Where required, attached schedules and amounts within the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	45 Cash - non-interest-bearing	917,555.	45	569,437.
	46 Savings and temporary cash investments	4,572,523.	46	4,380,284.
	47 a Accounts receivable	47a		
	b Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	47b	47c	
	48 a Pledges receivable	48a 255,000.		
	b Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	48b	48c	255,000.
	49 Grants receivable		49	
	50 a Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, and key employees		50a	
	b Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)		50b	
	51 a Other notes and loans receivable	51a		
	b Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	51b	51c	
	52 Inventories for sale or use		52	
	53 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	82,132.	53	14,770.
	54 a Investments - publicly-traded securities <input type="checkbox"/> Cost <input type="checkbox"/> FMV		54a	
	b Investments - other securities <input type="checkbox"/> Cost <input type="checkbox"/> FMV		54b	
55 a Investments - land, buildings, and equipment - basis	55a			
b Less accumulated depreciation	55b	55c		
56 Investments - other		56		
57 a Land, buildings, and equipment - basis	57a 825,761.			
b Less: accumulated depreciation	57b 258,648.	57c	567,113.	
58 Other assets, including program-related investments (describe <input type="checkbox"/> SEE STATEMENT 4)	64,848.	58	87,642.	
59 Total assets (must equal line 74) Add lines 45 through 58	6,344,165.	59	5,874,246.	
Liabilities	60 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	58,839.	60	263,691.
	61 Grants payable		61	
	62 Deferred revenue		62	
	63 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and key employees		63	
	64 a Tax-exempt bond liabilities		64a	
	b Mortgages and other notes payable		64b	
	65 Other liabilities (describe <input type="checkbox"/> DEFERRED RENT)	73,236.	65	58,204.
66 Total liabilities. Add lines 60 through 65	132,075.	66	321,895.	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 67 through 69 and lines 73 and 74			
	67 Unrestricted	5,747,090.	67	5,297,351.
	68 Temporarily restricted	465,000.	68	255,000.
	69 Permanently restricted		69	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 70 through 74.			
	70 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds		70	
	71 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, and equipment fund		71	
	72 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		72	
	73 Total net assets or fund balances. Add lines 67 through 69 or lines 70 through 72. (Column (A) must equal line 19 and column (B) must equal line 21)	6,212,090.	73	5,552,351.
	74 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances. Add lines 66 and 73	6,344,165.	74	5,874,246.

Part IV-A Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return (See the instructions)

a	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements		a	5,200,881.
b	Amounts included on line a but not on Part I, line 12:			
1	Net unrealized gains on investments	b1		
2	Donated services and use of facilities	b2		
3	Recoveries of prior year grants	b3		
4	Other (specify) _____	b4		
	Add lines b1 through b4		b	0.
c	Subtract line b from line a		c	5,200,881.
d	Amounts included on Part I, line 12, but not on line a:			
1	Investment expenses not included on Part I, line 6b	d1		
2	Other (specify) _____	d2		
	Add lines d1 and d2		d	0.
e	Total revenue (Part I, line 12). Add lines c and d		e	5,200,881.

Part IV-B Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return

a	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements		a	5,860,620.
b	Amounts included on line a but not on Part I, line 17:			
1	Donated services and use of facilities	b1		
2	Prior year adjustments reported on Part I, line 20	b2		
3	Losses reported on Part I, line 20	b3		
4	Other (specify) _____	b4		
	Add lines b1 through b4		b	0.
c	Subtract line b from line a		c	5,860,620.
d	Amounts included on Part I, line 17, but not on line a:			
1	Investment expenses not included on Part I, line 6b	d1		
2	Other (specify) _____	d2		
	Add lines d1 and d2		d	0.
e	Total expenses (Part I, line 17). Add lines c and d		e	5,860,620.

Part V-A Current Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (List each person who was an officer, director, trustee, or key employee at any time during the year even if they were not compensated) (See the instructions)

(A) Name and address	(B) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(C) Compensation (if not paid, enter -0-)	(D) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation plans	(E) Expense account and other allowances
DAVID BROCK 1625 MASSACHUSETTS AVE, NW, STE 300 WASHINGTON, DC 20036	PRESIDENT / CEO 40.00	230,611.	7,382.	0.
DARRIN BODNER 1625 MASSACHUSETTS AVE, NW, STE 300 WASHINGTON, DC 20036	COO 40.00	117,883.	4,732.	0.
WILL LIPPINCOTT 1625 MASSACHUSETTS AVE, NW, STE 300 WASHINGTON, DC 20036	SECRETARY 1.00	0.	0.	0.
RACHEL PRITZKER HUNTER 1625 MASSACHUSETTS AVE, NW, STE 300 WASHINGTON, DC 20036	TREASURER 1.00	0.	0.	0.
JONATHAN LEWIS 1625 MASSACHUSETTS AVE, NW, STE 300 WASHINGTON, DC 20036	DIRECTOR 1.00	0.	0.	0.
JEFF AMESTOY 1625 MASSACHUSETTS AVE, NW, STE 300 WASHINGTON, DC 20036	DIRECTOR 1.00	0.	0.	0.

Part VI Other Information (continued)		Yes	No
82 a	Did the organization receive donated services or the use of materials, equipment, or facilities at no charge or at substantially less than fair rental value?		X
b	If "Yes," you may indicate the value of these items here. Do not include this amount as revenue in Part I or as an expense in Part II. (See instructions in Part III)		
	82b N/A		
83 a	Did the organization comply with the public inspection requirements for returns and exemption applications?	X	
b	Did the organization comply with the disclosure requirements relating to quid pro quo contributions?		
	83b N/A		
84 a	Did the organization solicit any contributions or gifts that were not tax deductible?		X
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?		
	84b N/A		
85	501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations. a Were substantially all dues nondeductible by members?		
b	Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less? If "Yes" was answered to either 85a or 85b, do not complete 85c through 85h below unless the organization received a waiver for proxy tax owed for the prior year		
	85a N/A		
c	Dues, assessments, and similar amounts from members		
	85c N/A		
d	Section 162(e) lobbying and political expenditures		
	85d N/A		
e	Aggregate nondeductible amount of section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices		
	85e N/A		
f	Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (line 85d less 85e)		
	85f N/A		
g	Does the organization elect to pay the section 6033(e) tax on the amount on line 85f?		
	85g N/A		
h	If section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices were sent, does the organization agree to add the amount on line 85f to its reasonable estimate of dues allocable to nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures for the following tax year?		
	85h N/A		
86	501(c)(7) organizations. Enter: a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 12		
	86a N/A		
b	Gross receipts, included on line 12, for public use of club facilities		
	86b N/A		
87	501(c)(12) organizations. Enter: a Gross income from members or shareholders		
	87a N/A		
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them)		
	87b N/A		
88 a	At any time during the year, did the organization own a 50% or greater interest in a taxable corporation or partnership, or an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? If "Yes," complete Part IX		X
b	At any time during the year, did the organization, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," complete Part XI		X
89 a	501(c)(3) organizations. Enter: Amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 <u>0.</u> ; section 4912 <u>0.</u> ; section 4955 <u>0.</u>		
b	501(c)(3) and 501(c)(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," attach a statement explaining each transaction		X
c	Enter: Amount of tax imposed on the organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 <u>0.</u>		
d	Enter: Amount of tax on line 89c, above, reimbursed by the organization <u>0.</u>		
e	All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		X
f	All organizations. Did the organization acquire a direct or indirect interest in any applicable insurance contract?		X
g	For supporting organizations and sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did the supporting organization, or a fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year?		X
89g			
90 a	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed <u>DC</u>		
b	Number of employees employed in the pay period that includes March 12, 2006	90b	40
91 a	The books are in care of <u>MEDIA MATTERS FOR AMERICA</u> Telephone no. <u>202-756-4100</u> Located at <u>1625 MASS. AVE, NW, STE 300, WASHINGTON, DC</u> ZIP + 4 <u>20036</u>		
b	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country <u>N/A</u> See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts	91b	X

Part VI Other Information (continued) Yes No

c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the United States? 91c Yes No
 If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶ N/A

92 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041- Check here ▶
 and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ▶ 92 Yes No

Part VII Analysis of Income-Producing Activities (See the instructions)

Note: Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated

	Unrelated business income		Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514		(E) Related or exempt function income
	(A) Business code	(B) Amount	(C) Exclu- sion code	(D) Amount	
93 Program service revenue					
a _____					
b _____					
c _____					
d _____					
e _____					
f Medicare/Medicaid payments					
g Fees and contracts from government agencies					
94 Membership dues and assessments					
95 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments			14	205,985.	
96 Dividends and interest from securities					
97 Net rental income or (loss) from real estate:					
a debt-financed property					
b not debt-financed property					
98 Net rental income or (loss) from personal property					
99 Other investment income					
100 Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory					
101 Net income or (loss) from special events					
102 Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory					
103 Other revenue:					
a _____					
b _____					
c _____					
d _____					
e _____					
104 Subtotal (add columns (B), (D), and (E))		0.		205,985.	0.
105 Total (add line 104, columns (B), (D), and (E))					▶ 205,985.

Note: Line 105 plus line 1e, Part I, should equal the amount on line 12, Part I.

Part VIII Relationship of Activities to the Accomplishment of Exempt Purposes (See the instructions)

Line No.	Explain how each activity for which income is reported in column (E) of Part VII contributed importantly to the accomplishment of the organization's exempt purposes (other than by providing funds for such purposes).
▼	

Part IX Information Regarding Taxable Subsidiaries and Disregarded Entities (See the instructions)

(A) Name, address, and EIN of corporation, partnership, or disregarded entity	(B) Percentage of ownership interest	(C) Nature of activities	(D) Total income	(E) End-of-year assets
N/A	%			
	%			
	%			
	%			

Part X Information Regarding Transfers Associated with Personal Benefit Contracts (See the instructions.)

(a) Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? Yes No

(b) Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? Yes No

Note: If "Yes" to (b), file Form 8870 and Form 4720 (see instructions)

Part XI Information Regarding Transfers To and From Controlled Entities. Complete only if the organization is a controlling organization as defined in section 512(b)(13). **N/A**

106 Did the reporting organization make any transfers to a controlled entity as defined in section 512(b)(13) of the Code? If "Yes," complete the schedule below for each controlled entity.

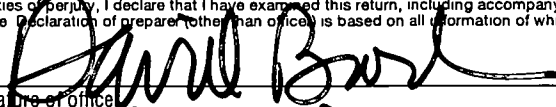
				Yes	No
(A) Name, address, of each controlled entity	(B) Employer Identification Number	(C) Description of transfer	(D) Amount of transfer		
a					
b					
c					
Totals					

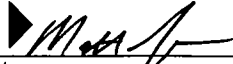
107 Did the reporting organization receive any transfers from a controlled entity as defined in section 512(b)(13) of the Code? If "Yes," complete the schedule below for each controlled entity.

				Yes	No
(A) Name, address, of each controlled entity	(B) Employer Identification Number	(C) Description of transfer	(D) Amount of transfer		
a					
b					
c					
Totals					

108 Did the organization have a binding written contract in effect on August 17, 2006, covering the interest, rents, royalties, and annuities described in question 107 above?

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.

Please Sign Here:  Date: 7/25/07
 Signature of officer: _____ Date: _____
 Type or print name and title: David Brock, President + CEO

Paid Preparer's Use Only: Preparer's signature:  Date: 7-25-07 Check if self-employed: Preparer's SSN or PTIN (See Gen. Inst. X): _____
 Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4: DROLET & ASSOCIATES, P.L.L.C
1140 CONNECTICUT AVE, NW #1000
WASHINGTON, DC 20036 EIN: _____
 Phone no.: 202-822-0717

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Organization Exempt Under Section 501(c)(3)

OMB No 1545-0047

(Except Private Foundation) and Section 501(e), 501(f), 501(k),
501(n), or 4947(a)(1) Nonexempt Charitable Trust

2006

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplementary Information-(See separate instructions.)

▶ **MUST be completed by the above organizations and attached to their Form 990 or 990-EZ**

Name of the organization

MEDIA MATTERS FOR AMERICA

Employer identification number

47 0928008

Part I Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Employees Other Than Officers, Directors, and Trustees

(See page 2 of the instructions. List each one. If there are none, enter "None.")

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	(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
<u>MARCIA B. KUNTZ</u> 1625 MASS. AVE, NW, STE 300, WASHINGT	EDITORIAL DIR. 40.00	120,410.	5,875.	
<u>JAMISON W. FOSER</u> 1625 MASS. AVE, NW, STE 300, WASHINGT	MANAGING DIRECTOR 40.00	128,700.	5,952.	
<u>DENNIS N. YEDWAB</u> 1625 MASS. AVE, NW, STE 300, WASHINGT	SENIOR ADVISOR 40.00	106,580.	5,527.	
<u>PAUL WALDMAN</u> 1625 MASS. AVE, NW, STE 300, WASHINGT	SENIOR FELLOW 40.00	85,010.	8,308.	
<u>WOOTERS III, CHARLES R.</u> 1625 MASS. AVE, NW, STE 300, WASHINGT	SENIOR ADVISOR 40.00	99,091.		
Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000 ▶	13			

Part II-A Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Independent Contractors for Professional Services

(See page 2 of the instructions. List each one (whether individuals or firms). If there are none, enter "None.")

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
<u>BONNER GROUP, INC.</u> 729 15TH ST, NW, 3RD FLR, WASHINGTON, DC 20005	FUNDRAISING	167,326.
<u>GRIFFIN WILLIAMS</u> 1300 CONNECTICUT AVENUE, NW STE 600, WASHINGTON,	ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT	151,209.
<u>ESCRPTIONIST.COM</u> 1158 26TH ST, #723, SANTA MONICA, CA 90403	TRANSCRIPTION SERVICE	103,844.
<u>BENNAHUM, DAVID</u> 2040 S ST, NW, WASHINGTON, DC 20009	RESEARCH FELLOW	58,333.
<u>BLACK, DUNCAN</u> 511 S. 17TH ST #203, PHILADELPHIA, PA 19146	RESEARCH FELLOW	52,000.
Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services ▶	0	

Part II-B Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Independent Contractors for Other Services

(List each contractor who performed services other than professional services, whether individuals or firms. If there are none, enter "None." See page 2 of the instructions.)

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
<u>AT & T ENTERPRISE HOSTING</u> PO BOX 13128, NEWARK, NJ 07101	BROADBAND & INTERNET	73,488.

Total number of other contractors receiving over \$50,000 for other services ▶	0	

Part III Statements About Activities (See page 2 of the instructions.)

		Yes	No
1	During the year, has the organization attempted to influence national, state, or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum? If "Yes," enter the total expenses paid or incurred in connection with the lobbying activities ► \$ _____ \$ _____ (Must equal amounts on line 38, Part VI-A, or line i of Part VI-B.) Organizations that made an election under section 501(h) by filing Form 5768 must complete Part VI-A. Other organizations checking "Yes" must complete Part VI-B AND attach a statement giving a detailed description of the lobbying activities.	X	
2	During the year, has the organization, either directly or indirectly, engaged in any of the following acts with any substantial contributors, trustees, directors, officers, creators, key employees, or members of their families, or with any taxable organization with which any such person is affiliated as an officer, director, trustee, majority owner, or principal beneficiary? (If the answer to any question is "Yes," attach a detailed statement explaining the transactions.)		
a	Sale, exchange, or leasing of property?		X
b	Lending of money or other extension of credit?		X
c	Furnishing of goods, services, or facilities?		X
d	Payment of compensation (or payment or reimbursement of expenses if more than \$1,000)? SEE PART V-A, FORM 990	X	
e	Transfer of any part of its income or assets?		X
3 a	Did the organization make grants for scholarships, fellowships, student loans, etc.? (If "Yes," attach an explanation of how the organization determines that recipients qualify to receive payments.)		X
b	Did the organization have a section 403(b) annuity plan for its employees?		X
c	Did the organization receive or hold an easement for conservation purposes, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas or historic structures? If "Yes," attach a detailed statement		X
d	Did the organization provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services?		X
4 a	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If "Yes," complete lines 4b through 4g. If "No," complete lines 4f and 4g		X
b	Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		X
c	Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		X
d	Enter the total number of donor advised funds owned at the end of the tax year ►		0
e	Enter the aggregate value of assets held in all donor advised funds owned at the end of the tax year ►		0.
f	Enter the total number of separate funds or accounts owned at the end of the year (excluding donor advised funds included on line 4d) where donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts ►		0.
g	Enter the aggregate value of assets in all funds or accounts included on line 4f at the end of the tax year ►		0.

Part IV Reason for Non-Private Foundation Status (See pages 4 through 7 of the instructions.)

I certify that the organization is not a private foundation because it is: (Please check only **ONE** applicable box.)

- 5 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).
- 6 A school. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii). (Also complete Part V.)
- 7 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).
- 8 A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).
- 9 A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii). Enter the hospital's name, city, and state **▶** _____
- 10 An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)
- 11a An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)
- 11b A community trust. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)
- 12 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 charitable, etc., 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). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)
- 13 An organization that is not controlled by any disqualified persons (other than foundation managers) and otherwise meets the requirements of section 509(a)(3). Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization:
 Type I Type II Type III-Functionally Integrated Type III-Other

Provide the following information about the supported organizations. (See page 7 of the instructions.)

(a) Name(s) of supported organization(s)	(b) Employer identification number (EIN)	(c) Type of organization (described in lines 5 through 12 above or IRC section)	(d) Is the supported organization listed in the supporting organization's governing documents?		(e) Amount of support
			Yes	No	
Total					▶

- 14 An organization organized and operated to test for public safety. Section 509(a)(4) (See page 7 of the instructions.)

Part IV-A Support Schedule (Complete only if you checked a box on line 10, 11, or 12) Use cash method of accounting.
 Note: You may use the worksheet in the instructions for converting from the accrual to the cash method of accounting.

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2005	(b) 2004	(c) 2003	(d) 2002	(e) Total
15 Gifts, grants, and contributions received. (Do not include unusual grants. See line 28.)	8,470,957.	3,564,471.	155,100.		12,190,528.
16 Membership fees received					
17 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or furnishing of facilities in any activity that is related to the organization's charitable, etc., purpose					
18 Gross income from interest, dividends, amounts received from payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), rents, royalties, and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975	18,216.	6,344.	104.		24,664.
19 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 18					
20 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to it or expended on its behalf					
21 The value of services or facilities furnished to the organization by a governmental unit without charge. Do not include the value of services or facilities generally furnished to the public without charge					
22 Other income. Attach a schedule. Do not include gain or (loss) from sale of capital assets	2,398.		SEE STATEMENT 6		2,398.
23 Total of lines 15 through 22	8,491,571.	3,570,815.	155,204.	0.	12,217,590.
24 Line 23 minus line 17	8,491,571.	3,570,815.	155,204.		12,217,590.
25 Enter 1% of line 23	84,916.	35,708.	1,552.		
26 Organizations described on lines 10 or 11: a Enter 2% of amount in column (e), line 24				26a	244,352.
b Prepare a list for your records to show the name of and amount contributed by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) whose total gifts for 2002 through 2005 exceeded the amount shown in line 26a. Do not file this list with your return. Enter the total of all these excess amounts				26b	3,227,017.
c Total support for section 509(a)(1) test: Enter line 24, column (e)				26c	12,217,590.
d Add: Amounts from column (e) for lines: 18 <u>24,664.</u> 19 _____				26d	3,254,079.
22 <u>2,398.</u> 26b <u>3,227,017.</u>				26e	8,963,511.
e Public support (line 26c minus line 26d total)				26f	73.3656%
f Public support percentage (line 26e (numerator) divided by line 26c (denominator))					
27 Organizations described on line 12: a For amounts included in lines 15, 16, and 17 that were received from a "disqualified person," prepare a list for your records to show the name of, and total amounts received in each year from, each "disqualified person." Do not file this list with your return. Enter the sum of such amounts for each year: N/A					
(2005) (2004) (2003) (2002)					
b For any amount included in line 17 that was received from each person (other than "disqualified persons"), prepare a list for your records to show the name of, and amount received for each year, that was more than the larger of (1) the amount on line 25 for the year or (2) \$5,000. (Include in the list organizations described in lines 5 through 11b, as well as individuals.) Do not file this list with your return. After computing the difference between the amount received and the larger amount described in (1) or (2), enter the sum of these differences (the excess amounts) for each year: N/A					
(2005) (2004) (2003) (2002)					
c Add: Amounts from column (e) for lines: 15 _____ 16 _____				27c	N/A
17 _____ 20 _____ 21 _____				27d	N/A
d Add: Line 27a total _____ and line 27b total _____				27e	N/A
e Public support (line 27c total minus line 27d total)					
f Total support for section 509(a)(2) test: Enter amount on line 23, column (e) 27f N/A				27g	N/A %
g Public support percentage (line 27e (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator))				27h	N/A %
h Investment income percentage (line 18, column (e) (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator))					

28 Unusual Grants: For an organization described in line 10, 11, or 12 that received any unusual grants during 2002 through 2005, prepare a list for your records to show, for each year, the name of the contributor, the date and amount of the grant, and a brief description of the nature of the grant. Do not file this list with your return. Do not include these grants in line 15.

Part V Private School Questionnaire (See page 9 of the instructions.)

N/A

(To be completed ONLY by schools that checked the box on line 6 in Part IV)

		Yes	No
29	Does the organization have a racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students by statement in its charter, bylaws, other governing instrument, or in a resolution of its governing body?		
30	Does the organization include a statement of its racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students in all its brochures, catalogues, and other written communications with the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?		
31	Has the organization publicized its racially nondiscriminatory policy through newspaper or broadcast media during the period of solicitation for students, or during the registration period if it has no solicitation program, in a way that makes the policy known to all parts of the general community it serves? If "Yes," please describe; if "No," please explain. (If you need more space, attach a separate statement.)		

32	Does the organization maintain the following:		
a	Records indicating the racial composition of the student body, faculty, and administrative staff?	32a	
b	Records documenting that scholarships and other financial assistance are awarded on a racially nondiscriminatory basis?	32b	
c	Copies of all catalogues, brochures, announcements, and other written communications to the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?	32c	
d	Copies of all material used by the organization or on its behalf to solicit contributions? If you answered "No" to any of the above, please explain. (If you need more space, attach a separate statement.)	32d	

33	Does the organization discriminate by race in any way with respect to:		
a	Students' rights or privileges?	33a	
b	Admissions policies?	33b	
c	Employment of faculty or administrative staff?	33c	
d	Scholarships or other financial assistance?	33d	
e	Educational policies?	33e	
f	Use of facilities?	33f	
g	Athletic programs?	33g	
h	Other extracurricular activities? If you answered "Yes" to any of the above, please explain. (If you need more space, attach a separate statement.)	33h	

34 a	Does the organization receive any financial aid or assistance from a governmental agency?	34a	
b	Has the organization's right to such aid ever been revoked or suspended? If you answered "Yes" to either 34a or b, please explain using an attached statement.	34b	
35	Does the organization certify that it has complied with the applicable requirements of sections 4.01 through 4.05 of Rev. Proc. 75-50, 1975-2 C.B. 587, covering racial nondiscrimination? If "No," attach an explanation	35	

FORM 990	OTHER EXPENSES			STATEMENT 1
DESCRIPTION	(A) TOTAL	(B) PROGRAM SERVICES	(C) MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL	(D) FUNDRAISING
PRESS RELEASES	11,000.	11,000.		
SERVER HOSTING	38,508.	38,508.		
MISCELLANEOUS	37,014.	11,011.	19,557.	6,446.
TRANSCRIPTION				
SERVICES	103,876.	103,876.		
MEDIA SERVICES	30,405.	30,405.		
PROFESSIONAL FEES	77,979.	69,992.	7,584.	403.
CONSULTANTS	404,499.	399,541.	4,439.	519.
INSURANCE	33,328.	30,150.	2,845.	333.
TEMPORARY HELP	13,240.		13,240.	
RECRUITMENT COSTS	29,661.	18,143.	11,518.	
RESEARCH	187,670.	175,033.	5,225.	7,412.
TOTAL TO FM 990, LN 43	967,180.	887,659.	64,408.	15,113.

FORM 990 OFFICER COMPENSATION ALLOCATION STATEMENT 2
PART II, LINE 25A

NAME OF OFFICER, ETC.	COMPENSATION	EMPLOYEE BEN. PLANS	EXPENSE ACCOUNTS	TOTALS
DAVID BROCK	230,611.	7,382.		237,993.
A. PROGRAM SERVICES	161,428.	5,167.		166,595.
B. MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL	57,653.	1,846.		59,499.
C. FUNDRAISING	11,530.	369.		11,899.

NAME OF OFFICER, ETC.	COMPENSATION	EMPLOYEE BEN. PLANS	EXPENSE ACCOUNTS	TOTALS
DARRIN BODNER	117,883.	4,732.		122,615.
A. PROGRAM SERVICES	29,471.	1,183.		30,654.
B. MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL	82,518.	3,312.		85,830.
C. FUNDRAISING	5,894.	237.		6,131.

TOTAL PROGRAM SERVICES				197,249.
TOTAL MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL				145,329.
TOTAL FUNDRAISING				18,030.
TOTAL OFFICER, ETC., COMPENSATION INCLUDED ON PART II, LINE 25A				360,608.

FORM 990 STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION'S PRIMARY EXEMPT PURPOSE STATEMENT 3
PART III

EXPLANATION

MEDIA MATTERS FOR AMERICA IS A WEB-BASED NOT-FOR-PROFIT PROGRESSIVE RESEARCH AND INFORMATION CENTER DEDICATED TO COMPREHENSIVELY MONITORING, ANALYZING AND CORRECTING CONSERVATIVE MISINFORMATION IN THE U.S. MEDIA.

FORM 990	OTHER ASSETS	STATEMENT 4
DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	
DEPOSITS	41,886.	
DUE FROM AFFILIATE	45,756.	
TOTAL TO FORM 990, PART IV, LINE 58, COLUMN B	87,642.	

FORM 990

PART V-A OFFICER COMPENSATION FROM RELATED ORGANIZATIONS

STATEMENT 5

OFFICER'S NAME	COMPENSATION	EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN CONTRIBUTION	EXPENSE ACCOUNT
DAVID BROCK	7,366.		
NAME OF RELATED ORGANIZATION		EMPLOYER ID NUMBER	
MEDIA MATTERS ACTION NETWORK		77-0646754	
RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ORGANIZATIONS			
SHARE OFFICE SPACE AND EMPLOYEES			

OFFICER'S NAME	COMPENSATION	EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN CONTRIBUTION	EXPENSE ACCOUNT
DARRIN BODNER	3,855.		
NAME OF RELATED ORGANIZATION		EMPLOYER ID NUMBER	
MEDIA MATTERS ACTION NETWORK		77-0646754	
RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ORGANIZATIONS			
SHARE OFFICE SPACE AND EMPLOYEES			

SCHEDULE A	OTHER INCOME			STATEMENT	6
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DESCRIPTION	2005 AMOUNT	2004 AMOUNT	2003 AMOUNT	2002 AMOUNT
MISCELLANEOUS	2,398.	0.	0.	0.
TOTAL TO SCHEDULE A, LINE 22	2,398.	0.	0.	0.

Media Matters for America
EIN: 47-0928008
Fixed Assets Schedule
Tax Year: December 31, 2006

Group	Cost Beginning	Cost Acquisitions	Cost Ending	Depreciation Prior	Depreciation Additions	Depreciation Ending
Computer Equipment	146,440	111,945	258,385	28,568	39,912	68,480
Furniture	40,087	62,884	102,971	5,349	8,887	14,236
Media Monitoring Infrastructure	85,142	34,836	119,978	19,145	20,974	40,119
Phone System	36,218		36,218	8,318	7,243	15,561
Satellite Infrastructure	21,538		21,538	1,077	4,308	5,385
Tech Build Out	108,062		108,062	29,877	21,613	51,490
Web/System Infrastructure	58,609		58,609	15,822	11,722	27,544
Website	120,000		120,000	5,833	30,000	35,833
Total	616,096	209,665	825,761	113,989	144,659	258,648