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Form 990-EZ

Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

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

Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds and controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990. All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$500,000 and total assets less than \$1,250,000 at the end of the year may use this form.

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

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

A For the 2009 calendar year, or tax year beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2010

B Check if applicable: Address change, Name change, Initial return, Terminated, Amended return, Application pending. C Name of organization: MaryPIRG Citizen Lobby. D Employer identification number: 521818910. E Telephone number: 4104679389. F Group Exemption Number: n/a.

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

G Accounting Method: Cash, Accrual. H Check if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

I Website: www.marylandpirg.org

J Tax-exempt status (check only one): 501(c)(4), 4947(a)(1), 527.

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

L Add lines 5b, 6b, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts, if \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ. Total: \$188681

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

Table with 3 main sections: Revenue (lines 1-9), Expenses (lines 10-17), and Net Assets (lines 18-21). Includes a 'RECEIVED' stamp from OGDEN, UT dated DEC 27 2010.

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

Table with 3 columns: Description, (A) Beginning of year, (B) End of year. Rows include Cash, Land and buildings, Other assets, Total assets, Total liabilities, and Net assets or fund balances.

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

Expenses
(Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts, optional for others)

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? _____
Describe what was achieved in carrying out the organization's exempt purposes. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title.

28 see attached			
(Grants \$ _____)	If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	28a	149987
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(Grants \$ _____)	If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	29a	
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(Grants \$ _____)	If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	30a	
31 Other program services (attach schedule)			
(Grants \$ _____)	If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	31a	
32 Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a)		32	149987

Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees. List each one even if not compensated. (See the instructions for Part IV.)

(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	(e) Expense account and other allowances
Brad Heavner 1022 West 38th Street Baltimore MD 21211	President, 0.5 hours	0	0	0
Dana Dorman 912 S Alder Street Philadelphia, PA 19147	Vice President, 0.5 hrs	0	0	0
Ed Johnson 1300 Dayton Ave St Paul MN 55104	Secretary, 0.5 hrs	0	0	0
Karen DeCamp 406 Woodford Rd Baltimore MD 21212	board member, 0.5 hrs	0	0	0
Johanna Neumann 611 Harding PI Baltimore MD 21211	State Director, 30 hrs	1164	58	0

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

		Yes	No
33	Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity		✓
34	Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes		✓
35	If the organization had income from business activities, such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a (among others), but not reported on Form 990-T, attach a statement explaining why the organization did not report the income on Form 990-T.		
a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more or was it subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements?		✓
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?		
36	Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N		
37a	Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions. ▶ 37a <u> </u> n/a		
b	Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?		✓
38a	Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the period covered by this return?		✓
b	If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved 38b <u> </u>		
39	Section 501(c)(7) organizations Enter:		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 39a <u> </u>		
b	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities 39b <u> </u>		
40a	Section 501(c)(3) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 ▶ <u> </u> n/a, section 4912 ▶ <u> </u> n/a, section 4955 ▶ <u> </u> n/a		
b	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or is it aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		✓
c	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 ▶ <u> </u> n/a		
d	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization ▶ <u> </u> n/a		
e	All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T		✓
41	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ▶ <u> </u> Maryland		
42a	The organization's books are in care of ▶ <u> </u> Johanna E Neumann Telephone no. ▶ <u> </u> 410-467-9389 Located at ▶ <u> </u> 3121 Saint Paul Street Suite 26 Baltimore MD ZIP + 4 ▶ <u> </u> 21218-3857		
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)?	Yes	No
42b			✓
	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ <u> </u> See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.		
c	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U S ?		✓
	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ <u> </u>		
43	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 —Check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ▶ 43 <u> </u>		
44	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		✓
45	Is any related organization a controlled entity of the organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		✓

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

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

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

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000 ▶ 0

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

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

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000 ▶ 0

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

▶ Johanna E. Neumann | 12/13/10
 Signature of officer | Date
 ▶ **Johanna E Neumann, State Director**
 Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer's Use Only

Preparer's signature ▶ _____ Date _____ Check if self-employed Preparer's identifying number (See instructions) _____
 Firm's name (or yours if self-employed),¹ address, and ZIP + 4 ▶ _____ EIN ▶ _____
 Phone no ▶ _____

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

Attachment to Part III

MaryPIRG Citizen Lobby, Inc. is an advocate for the public interest. When consumers are cheated, or our natural environment is threatened, or the voices of ordinary citizens are drowned out by special interest lobbyists, Maryland PIRG speaks up and takes action. We uncover threats to public health and well-being and fight to end them, using the time-tested tools of investigative research, media exposés, grassroots organizing, advocacy and litigation. Maryland PIRG's mission is to deliver persistent, result-oriented public interest activism that protects consumers, encourages a fair, sustainable economy, and fosters responsive, democratic government.

Recent accomplishments include:

BPA Ban: In 2010, Maryland became the 4th state in the nation to phase out the toxic chemical BPA from baby bottles and sippy cups. BPA has been linked to breast and testicular cancer, diabetes, heart disease and hyperactivity.

Health Care Reform Enacted: In 2010, President Obama signed comprehensive health care reform into law. More needs to be done, especially at the state level, where many aspects of the law will be implemented, but it is a first step toward controlling the cost of care and includes many provisions we fought for.

Ending Credit Card Abuses: Many abusive credit card practices, such as repeated over-the-limit fees and universal default, are outlawed thanks to a 2010 federal law backed by Maryland PIRG.

More and Better Public Transportation: In 2010, Maryland PIRG helped ensure planners evaluate proposed state-funded transportation projects against existing transportation goals, including safety and security, environmental stewardship and preparing existing infrastructure.

Phasing Out Toxic Flame-Retardants: In 2010, Maryland PIRG's advocacy helped make Maryland the 5th state in the country to prevent companies from using toxic flame retardant in everyday household products. The chemical Deca BDE had been used widely in home electronics and furnishings and is linked to problems with learning and memory.

Increasing Government Transparency: In 2009, Maryland PIRG helped pass a bi-partisan bill to establish a publicly available, easy-to-use, searchable online database that discloses state subsidies and spending. We call it "Google government".

Eliminating Toxics Mercury: Mercury Reduction: In 2009, we played a role in addressing the largest manufacturing source of mercury in the state when the Maryland General Assembly decided to institute a mandatory recycling program for car switches that contain toxic mercury. Mercury is a potent neurotoxin and several years ago 1/6 women of childbearing age had enough mercury in their bodies to affect their developing fetus should they become pregnant.