

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax
Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

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OMB No. 1545-0047

2023

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Inspection

A For the 2023 calendar year, or tax year beginning , and ending

B Check if applicable:

- ☐ Address change
☐ Name change
☐ Initial return
☐ Final return/terminated
☐ Amended return
☐ Application pending

C Name of organization

MEALS FROM THE HEARTLAND, INC.

Doing business as

Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address)

357 LINCOLN STREET

Room/suite

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code

WEST DES MOINES IA 50265

F Name and address of principal officer:

DAN KOESTNER
SAME AS C ABOVE

D Employer identification number

26-3443290

E Telephone number

877-457-6384

G Gross receipts \$ 2,968,312

H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? ☐ Yes ☒ NoH(b) Are all subordinates included? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "No," attach a list. See instructions

I Tax-exempt status: ☒ 501(c)(3) ☐ 501(c) () (insert no.) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527

J Website: WWW.MEALSFROMTHEHEARTLAND.ORG

H(c) Group exemption number

K Form of organization: ☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other

L Year of formation: 2008

M State of legal domicile: IA

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: EMPOWER PEOPLE TO SAVE STARVING CHILDREN.		
	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	15
	4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	15
	5	Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2023 (Part V, line 2a)	5	0
	6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	61998
Revenue	7a	Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0
	b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, Part I, line 11	7b	0
	8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year	Current Year
	9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	2,796,509	2,931,408
	10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	4,343	6,464
	11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	-30,810	-9,007
Expenses	12	Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	2,770,042	2,928,865
	13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	2,350,956	2,162,526
	14	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		0
	15	Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)		0
	16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)		0
	b	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25)	224,703	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	987,327	1,108,775
	18	Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	3,338,283	3,271,301
	19	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	-568,241	-342,436
	20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
	21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	3,635,922	3,329,557
	22	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	138,209	125,498
		3,497,713	3,204,059	

Part II Signature Block

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

Sign Here	Signature of officer	Date		
	DAN KOESTNER CHAIRMAN Type or print name and title			
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed PTIN
	ALEXANDRA KAHER, CPA	ALEXANDRA KAHER, CPA		P02066016
	Firm's name	Firm's EIN		
	MHCS P.C.	42-1104473		
	Firm's address	Phone no.		
	1601 W LAKES PKWY STE 300 WEST DES MOINES, IA 50266	515-288-3279		

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

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

Form 990 (2023)

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

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

**1** Briefly describe the organization's mission:

SEE SCHEDULE O

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 organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.**4a** (Code:) (Expenses \$ 2,849,114 including grants of \$ 2,162,526) (Revenue \$)
SEE SCHEDULE O**4b** (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
N/A**4c** (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
N/A**4d** Other program services (Describe on Schedule O.)

(Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e Total program service expenses 2,849,114

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)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A	X	
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors? See instructions	X	
3 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		X
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II		X
5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Rev. Proc. 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III		X
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I		X
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II		X
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III		X
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability; serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV		X
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in donor-restricted endowments or in quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V	X	
11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X, as applicable.		
a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI	X	
b Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII		X
c Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII		X
d Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX	X	
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X		X
f Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X	X	
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII	X	
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional		X
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E		X
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		X
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV		X
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV		X
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV		X
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I. See instructions		X
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II	X	
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III		X
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H		X
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II	X	

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>	22	X
23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i>	23	X
24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a</i>	24a	X
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b	
c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?	24c	
d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d	
25a Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>	25a	X
b Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>	25b	X
26 Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5 or 22, for receivables from or payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>	26	X
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity (including an employee thereof) or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>	27	X
28 Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties? (See the Schedule L, Part IV, instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions).		
a A current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, or substantial contributor? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28a	X
b A family member of any individual described in line 28a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28b	X
c A 35% controlled entity of one or more individuals and/or organizations described in line 28a or 28b? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28c	X
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in noncash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	29	X
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	30	X
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>	31	X
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i>	32	X
33 Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i>	33	X
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1</i>	34	X
35a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35a	X
b If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>	35b	
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>	36	X
37 Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i>	37	X
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations on Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note: All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O.	38	X

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax ComplianceCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V ☐

	Yes	No
1a Enter the number reported in box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable	1a	2
b Enter the number of Forms W-2G included on 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?	1c	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance (continued)		Yes	No			
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	0			
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns?	2b				
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	3a				X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation on Schedule O	3b				
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)?	4a				X
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).					
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5a				X
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5b				X
c	If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	5c				
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 as charitable contributions?	6a				X
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	6b				
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?	7a	X			
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7b	X			
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7c				X
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7d				
e	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7e				X
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7f				X
g	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7g				
h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	7h				
8	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	8				
9	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.					
a	Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?	9a				
b	Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	9b				
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				
13	Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.					
a	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? Note: See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.	13a				
b	Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans	13b				
c	Enter the amount of reserves on hand	13c				
14a	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14a				X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation on Schedule O	14b				
15	Is the organization subject to the section 4960 tax on payment(s) of more than \$1,000,000 in remuneration or excess parachute payment(s) during the year? If "Yes," see instructions and file Form 4720, Schedule N.	15				X
16	Is the organization an educational institution subject to the section 4968 excise tax on net investment income? If "Yes," complete Form 4720, Schedule O.	16				X
17	Section 501(c)(21) organizations. Did the trust, any disqualified or other person engage in any activities that would result in the imposition of an excise tax under section 4951, 4952 or 4953? If "Yes," complete Form 6069.	17				

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 on Schedule O. See instructions. Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI ☒

Section A. Governing Body and Management

			Yes	No
1a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year	1a	15		
If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain on Schedule O.				
b Enter the number of voting members included on line 1a, above, who are independent	1b	15		
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?	2			X
3 Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors, trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?	3			X
4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	4			X
5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?	5			X
6 Did the organization have members or stockholders?	6			X
7a Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?	7a			X
b Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?	7b			X
8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:				
a The governing body?	8a		X	
b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	8b		X	
9 Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses on Schedule O	9			X

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

		Yes	No
10a Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	10a		X
b If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?	10b		
11a Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	11a	X	
b Describe on Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.			
12a Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	12a	X	
b Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	12b	X	
c Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe on Schedule O how this was done	12c	X	
13 Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	13	X	
14 Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	14	X	
15 Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?			
a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	15a	X	
b Other officers or key employees of the organization	15b		X
If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process on 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?	16a		X
b If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?	16b		

Section C. Disclosure

17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed NONE

18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (1024 or 1024-A, if applicable), 990, and 990-T (section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.
☐ Own website ☐ Another's website ☒ Upon request ☐ Other (explain on Schedule O)

19 Describe on Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.

20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records.

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WEST DES MOINES

IA 50265

877-457-6384

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent ContractorsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII ☐**Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees****1a** Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
 - List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."
 - List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (box 5 of Form W-2, box 6 of Form 1099-MISC, and/or box 1 of Form 1099-NEC) 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.
- See the instructions for the order in which to list the persons above.

☐ Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/ 1099-MISC/ 1099-NEC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/ 1099-MISC/ 1099-NEC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) GREG DEHAAI EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	40.00 0.00			X				74,567	0	11,898
(2) JEFF AUSTIN DIRECTOR	1.00 0.00	X						0	0	0
(3) DAVE BRADLEY DIRECTOR	1.00 0.00	X						0	0	0
(4) JESSE BUNNEY DIRECTOR	1.00 0.00	X						0	0	0
(5) HEATHER CAMPBELL DIRECTOR	1.00 0.00	X						0	0	0
(6) STEVE CARLSON DIRECTOR	1.00 0.00	X						0	0	0
(7) KIM DREHER DIRECTOR	1.00 0.00	X						0	0	0
(8) JOHN FERIN DIRECTOR	1.00 0.00	X						0	0	0
(9) AHMED IBRAHIM DIRECTOR	1.00 0.00	X						0	0	0
(10) BILL LOWE DIRECTOR	1.00 0.00	X						0	0	0
(11) AMANDA RINEHART DIRECTOR	1.00 0.00	X						0	0	0

Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/ 1099-MISC/ 1099-NEC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/ 1099-MISC/ 1099-NEC)	(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			
(12) SUSAN SABIN										
(12) DIRECTOR	1.00 0.00	X						0	0	0
(13) JERRY ARMSTRONG										
(13) CHAIRMAN	30.00 0.00	X		X				0	0	0
(14) DAN KOESTNER										
(14) VICE CHAIR	5.00 0.00	X		X				0	0	0
(15) DOUG SHELTON										
(15) SECRETARY	5.00 0.00	X		X				0	0	0
(16) REBECCA YOUNG										
(16) TREASURER	5.00 0.00	X		X				0	0	0
(17)										
(18)										
(19)										
1b Subtotal								74,567		11,898
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A										
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)								74,567		11,898

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

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director, trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual		X
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual		X
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person		X

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization

0

Part VIII Statement of RevenueCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII ☐

				(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514	
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a Federated campaigns	1a						
	b Membership dues	1b						
	c Fundraising events	1c	155,423					
	d Related organizations	1d						
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e						
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	2,775,985					
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f	1g	\$ 12,428					
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f							2,931,408
Program Service Revenue			Business Code					
	2a							
	b							
	c							
	d							
	e							
	f All other program service revenue							
g Total. Add lines 2a-2f								
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)			6,464			6,464	
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds							
	5 Royalties							
	6a Gross rents		(i) Real	(ii) Personal				
		6a						
		b Less: rental expenses	6b					
	c Rental inc. or (loss)	6c						
	d Net rental income or (loss)							
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory		(i) Securities	(ii) Other				
		7a						
		b Less: cost or other basis and sales exps.	7b					
	c Gain or (loss)	7c						
	d Net gain or (loss)							
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 155,423 of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18							
		8a	30,440					
	b Less: direct expenses	8b	39,447					
	c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events			-9,007				
9a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19								
	9a							
b Less: direct expenses	9b							
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities								
10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances								
	10a							
b Less: cost of goods sold	10b							
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory								
Miscellaneous Revenue			Business Code					
	11a							
	b							
	c							
	d All other revenue							
	e Total. Add lines 11a-11d							
12 Total revenue. See instructions			2,928,865	0	0	6,464		

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A).

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

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.

	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21	2,162,526	2,162,526		
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22				
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees				
6 Compensation not included above to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages				
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)				
9 Other employee benefits				
10 Payroll taxes				
11 Fees for services (nonemployees):				
a Management				
b Legal				
c Accounting	22,100		22,100	
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees				
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O.)	9,907		67	9,840
12 Advertising and promotion	5,255	3,987		1,268
13 Office expenses	58,720	13,759	3,939	41,022
14 Information technology	5,050	2,525	1,263	1,262
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	21,106	18,995	2,111	
17 Travel	8,962	8,466		496
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings				
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	87,667	81,816	5,851	
23 Insurance	25,179	18,884	5,791	504
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (List miscellaneous expenses on line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a PAYROLL PAID TO 3RD PARTY	772,454	456,484	150,018	165,952
b SUPPLIES	23,638	23,149	489	
c PAYROLL ADMIN	16,147	9,542	3,136	3,469
d WAREHOUSING	15,986	15,986		
e All other expenses	36,604	32,995	2,719	890
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	3,271,301	2,849,114	197,484	224,703
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

Part X Balance SheetCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X ☐

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	169,301	1	4,791
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	702,954	2	668,304
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	198,480	3	188,045
	4 Accounts receivable, net		4	
	5 Loans and other receivables from any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons		5	
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use	326,659	8	268,328
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	29,412	9	31,398
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 2,668,814		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 819,671	10c 1,936,810	1,849,143
	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	272,306	15	319,548
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 33)	3,635,922	16	3,329,557	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	58,581	17	48,480
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue	79,628	19	77,018
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 Loans and other payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D		25	
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	138,209	26	125,498
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.			
	27 Net assets without donor restrictions	3,161,651	27	2,806,012
	28 Net assets with donor restrictions	336,062	28	398,047
	Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 29 through 33.			
	29 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		29	
	30 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		30	
	31 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		31	
	32 Total net assets or fund balances	3,497,713	32	3,204,059
	33 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	3,635,922	33	3,329,557

Part XI Reconciliation of Net AssetsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI ☒

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	2,928,865
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	3,271,301
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-342,436
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))	4	3,497,713
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain on Schedule O)	9	48,782
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 32, column (B))	10	3,204,059

Part XII Financial Statements and ReportingCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII ☐

	Yes	No
1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain on Schedule O.		
2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both. <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		X
b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	X	
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 on Schedule O.	X	
3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Uniform Guidance, 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Subpart F?		X
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 on Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits		

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990)

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.

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Name of the organization

MEALS FROM THE HEARTLAND, INC.

Employer identification number

26-3443290

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 12, 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 (Form 990).)
- 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 agricultural research organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ix)** operated in conjunction with a land-grant college or university or a non-land-grant college of agriculture (see instructions). Enter the name, city, and state of the college or university:
- 10 ☐ 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.)
- 11 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4).**
- 12 ☐ 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 on lines 12a through 12d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 12e, 12f, and 12g.
- a ☐ **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization. **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
- b ☐ **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
- c ☐ **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
- d ☐ **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
- e ☐ Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization.
- f Enter the number of supported organizations:
- g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1–10 above (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
(A)						
(B)						
(C)						
(D)						
(E)						
Total						

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Schedule A (Form 990) 2023

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2019	(b) 2020	(c) 2021	(d) 2022	(e) 2023	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	2,876,680	2,025,314	2,517,861	2,796,509	2,931,408	13,147,772
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3	2,876,680	2,025,314	2,517,861	2,796,509	2,931,408	13,147,772
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)						2,251,858
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						10,895,914

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2019	(b) 2020	(c) 2021	(d) 2022	(e) 2023	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	2,876,680	2,025,314	2,517,861	2,796,509	2,931,408	13,147,772
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources	5,640	2,764	3,103	4,343	6,464	22,314
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						13,170,086
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)						123,514

13 First 5 years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and **stop here** ☐

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2023 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	82.73 %
15 Public support percentage from 2022 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	82.21 %
16a 33 1/3% support test — 2023. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
b 33 1/3% support test — 2022. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input type="checkbox"/>		
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test — 2023. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test — 2022. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <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"/>		

**SCHEDULE I
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

**Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,
Governments, and Individuals in the United States**
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.
Attach to Form 990.
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Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance

- 1 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 Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States.

Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

1	(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section (if applicable)	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of noncash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of noncash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
(1)	CONVOY OF HOPE 330 S. PATTERSON AVENUE SPRINGFIELD MO 65802	68-0051386	501C3		1,855,401	EST. COST	MEALS	AID TO THE NEEDY
(2)	DES MOINES AREA RELIGIOUS COUNCIL 1435 MULBERRY ST DES MOINES IA 50309	42-0788211	501C3		30,440	EST. COST	MEALS	AID TO THE NEEDY
(3)	FOOD BANK OF IOWA 2220 E. 17TH STREET DES MOINES IA 50316	42-1177880	501C3		15,945	EST. COST	MEALS	AID TO THE NEEDY
(4)	MIDWEST FOOD BANK 2031 WAREHOUSE ROAD NORMAL IL 61761	41-2120170	501C3		173,944	EST. COST	MEALS	AID TO THE NEEDY
(5)	HACAP FOOD RESEVOIR - CEDAR RAPIDS 1515 HAWKEYE DR HIAWATHA IA 52233	42-0898405	501C3		26,048	EST. COST	MEALS	AID TO THE NEEDY
(6)	RIVER BEND FOOD BANK 4010 KIMMEL DR DAVENPORT IA 52802	36-3147342	501C3		15,989	EST. COST	MEALS	AID TO THE NEEDY
(7)	COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF MARSHALL CO 11 N 1ST AVE MARSHALLTOWN IA 50158	42-6139033	501C3		7,138	EST. COST	MEALS	AID TO THE NEEDY
(8)	MIDWEST FOOD BANK - AZ 725 BASELINE RD GILBER AZ 85233	41-2120170	5013C		26,838	EST. COST	MEALS	AID TO THE NEEDY
(9)								

- 2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table 8
- 3 Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table

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Schedule I (Form 990) 2023

Part III

Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 22.
Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of noncash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of noncash assistance
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					

Part IV

Supplemental Information. Provide the information required in Part I, line 2; Part III, column (b); and any other additional information.

PART I, LINE 2 - PROCEDURES FOR MONITORING THE USE OF GRANT FUNDS

ORGANIZATIONS SEEKING GRANTS COMPLETE A GRANT APPLICATION WHICH INCLUDES

THEIR MOST RECENT FORM 990 ALONG THE WITH THE MOST RECENT YEAR-END

FINANCIAL REPORT (WITH AUDIT OPINION, IF APPLICABLE). GRANTS ARE APPROVED

BY A MEALS FROM THE HEARTLAND ("MFTH") COMMITTEE CHARGED WITH THAT

RESPONSIBILITY. APPROVED DISTRIBUTION PARTNERS PROVIDE FEEDBACK TO MFTH IN

THE FORM OF PICTURES, STORIES AND OTHER INFORMATION REGARDING THE IMPACT

THE FOOD MAKES.

**SCHEDULE O
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

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

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FORM 990 - ORGANIZATION'S MISSION

DEVELOP AND CARRY OUT A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TO PROVIDE MEALS TO PEOPLE WHO CANNOT SUPPORT THEMSELVES IN THE UNITED STATES AND THE WORLD. THE PRIMARY FUNCTIONS WILL BE TO BRING TOGETHER PEOPLE FROM ALL SECTORS OF SOCIETY TO PREPARE PACKAGED FOOD PACKETS FOR DISTRIBUTION TO THE HUNGRY AROUND THE WORLD.

FORM 990 - ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

PART IX, LINE 24A

THE ENTITY USES A THIRD PARTY PAYROLL PROVIDER AND ALL W-2'S ARE REPORTED USING PAYROLL COMPANY'S IDENTIFICATION NUMBER. THE FOLLOWING IS INCLUDED IN THIS NUMBER.

OFFICER COMPENSATION: \$86,465

OTHER SALARIES AND WAGES: \$580,836

PENSION PLAN ACCRUALS AND CONTRIBUTIONS: \$7,347

OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFITS: \$46,674

PAYROLL TAXES: \$51,132

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4A - FIRST ACCOMPLISHMENT

MEALS FROM THE HEARTLAND IS COMMITTED TO ITS MISSION OF EMPOWERING PEOPLE TO SAVE STARVING CHILDREN. ONE HALF OF THIS MISSION INVOLVES THE FOOD THAT IS PACKAGED YEAR AROUND IN VOLUNTEER EVENTS. THE OTHER HALF OF THIS MISSION IS TO ENCOURAGE VOLUNTEER SERVICE TO PEOPLE OF ALL AGES AND BACKGROUNDS BY PROVIDING A POSITIVE TEAM AND COMMUNITY BUILDING EXPERIENCE THROUGH PARTICIPATION IN THESE EVENTS.

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THESE EVENTS WERE HELD AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT IOWA AS WELL AS AT OUR OWN LOCATION. DURING 2023, APPROXIMATELY 53 THOUSAND VOLUNTEERS PARTICIPATED IN THESE EVENTS AND PREPARED OVER 21 MILLION MEALS. MEALS ARE SHIPPED OUT NATIONALLY AND INTERNATIONALLY BY OUR DISTRIBUTION PARTNERS TO ON-THE-GROUND ORGANIZATIONS WHO ARE CONTINUALLY ASSESSING AND IDENTIFYING NEEDS OF COMMUNITIES.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 11B - ORGANIZATION'S PROCESS TO REVIEW FORM 990
A DRAFT OF FORM 990 IS DISTRIBUTED ELECTRONICALLY TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR REVIEW AND COMMENTS. AFTER CORRECTIONS AND CHANGES ARE MADE AS A RESULT OF THIS REVIEW, A COPY OF THE FINAL FORM 990 IS ELECTRONICALLY DISTRIBUTED TO ALL BOARD MEMBERS PRIOR TO FILING.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 12C - ENFORCEMENT OF CONFLICTS POLICY
EACH BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEMBER SHALL DISCLOSE ANY POSSIBLE CONFLICT OF INTEREST AT THE EARLIEST PRACTICABLE TIME IN WRITING TO THE SECRETARY OF MEALS FROM THE HEARTLAND, INC. NO BOARD OR COMMITTEE MEMBER SHALL VOTE ON ANY MATTER OR PARTICIPATE IN THE DISCUSSION OF ANY MATTER UNDER CONSIDERATION IN WHICH SUCH MEMBER HAS A POSSIBLE CONFLICT OF INTEREST. ALL BOARD MEMBERS ARE REQUIRED TO UPDATE A QUESTIONNAIRE ANNUALLY REGARDING POSSIBLE CONFLICTS OF INTEREST.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 15A - COMPENSATION PROCESS FOR TOP OFFICIAL
COMPENSATION WAS INDEPENDENTLY REVIEWED AND COMPARED WITH OTHER DATA FOR GREG DEHAAI AT THE INITIAL HIRE DATE. ALL CONSIDERATIONS WERE DOCUMENTED. SINCE THE INITIAL HIRE DATE, COMPENSATION IS REVIEWED BY THE BOARD ANNUALLY.

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FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 19 - GOVERNING DOCUMENTS DISCLOSURE EXPLANATION

THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY, GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, AND THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON REQUEST. THESE DOCUMENTS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THE SAME PERIOD OF TIME AS DESCRIBED IN INTERNAL REVENUE CODE SECTION 6104(D) FOR OTHER PUBLIC DISCLOSURE DOCUMENTS.

FORM 990, PART XI, LINE 9 - OTHER CHANGES IN NET ASSETS EXPLANATION

DONATED SERVICES RECORDED AS INVENTORY	\$	7,541
CHANGE IN BENEFICIAL INTEREST	\$	41,241
TOTAL	\$	48,782