

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)

OMB No 1545-1150

2008

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Internal Revenue Service

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

A For the 2008 calendar year, or tax year beginning and ending

B Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Termination <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.	C Name of organization		D Employer identification number	
		ACORN INTERNATIONAL		52-2416966	
		Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite P.O. BOX 3924		E Telephone number (504) 943-5954	
City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 NEW ORLEANS, LA 70117		F Group Exemption Number			

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

G Accounting method Cash Accrual
Other (specify) _____

I Website N/A

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

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

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

L Add lines 5b, 6b, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts, if \$1,000,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ \$ 256,056.

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

Revenue	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	253,662.
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	
	3	Membership dues and assessments	3	
	4	Investment income	4	
	5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	
	5b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	
	5c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a) (attach schedule)	5c	
	6	Special events and activities (complete applicable parts of Schedule G. If any amount is from gaming, check here <input type="checkbox"/>)		
	6a	Gross revenue (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1)	6a	
6b	Less direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	6b		
6c	Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (Subtract line 6b from line 6a)	6c		
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a		
7b	Less cost of goods sold	7b		
7c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c		
8	Other revenue (describe <u>OTHER INCOME</u>)	8	2,394.	
9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8	9	256,056.	
Expenses	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule)	10	
	11	Benefits paid to or for members	11	
	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	32,127.
	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	209,892.
	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	19,787.
	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	2,266.
	16	Other expenses (describe <u>SEE STATEMENT 1</u>)	16	64,583.
17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	328,655.	
Net Assets	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	<72,599.>
	19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	164,149.
	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)	20	
	21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	21	91,550.

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

(See the instructions for Part II)

	(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	162,933.	108,469.
23 Land and buildings		
24 Other assets (describe <u>SEE STATEMENT 2</u>)	6,772.	7,569.
25 Total assets	169,705.	116,038.
26 Total liabilities (describe <u>SEE STATEMENT 3</u>)	5,556.	24,488.
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	164,149.	91,550.

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LHA For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990

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

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? SEE STATEMENT 6

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, or other relevant information for each program title

28 PROGRAMS TO HELP IMPROVE THE LIVES OF LOW AND MODERATE INCOME FAMILIES AND SUSTAIN GRASSROOTS ORGANIZING IN COUNTRIES THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. Expenses
(Required for 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) trusts, optional for others)

(Grants \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here 28a 301,688.

29 _____

(Grants \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here 29a

30 _____

(Grants \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here 30a

31 Other program services (attach schedule)

(Grants \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here 31a

32 **Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a)** 32 301,688.

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
<u>GRACIELA SANCHEZ</u>	<u>TREASURER</u>	<u>2.00</u>	<u>0.</u>	<u>0.</u>
<u>ANGEL JOSE SCHENONE</u>	<u>SECRETARY</u>	<u>2.00</u>	<u>0.</u>	<u>0.</u>
<u>ESTHER BENITES</u>	<u>VICE-PRESIDENT</u>	<u>2.00</u>	<u>0.</u>	<u>0.</u>
<u>MAUDE HURD</u>	<u>PRESIDENT</u>	<u>1.00</u>	<u>0.</u>	<u>0.</u>

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

		Yes	No
33	Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity		X
34	Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents but not reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes		X
35	If the organization had income from business activities, such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a (among others), but not reported on Form 990-T, attach a statement explaining your reason for not reporting the income on Form 990-T		
a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more or section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements?		X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?	N/A	
36	Was there a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Sch N		X
37a	Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions ▶ 37a _____ 0.		
b	Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?		X
38a	Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still unpaid at the start of the period covered by this return?		X
b	If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved 38b _____ N/A		
39	Section 501(c)(7) organizations Enter		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 39a _____ N/A		
b	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities 39b _____ N/A		
40a	Section 501(c)(3) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911 ▶ _____ 0. , section 4912 ▶ _____ 0. , section 4955 ▶ _____ 0.		
b	Section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or did it become aware of an excess benefit transaction from a prior year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		X
c	Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 ▶ _____ 0.		
d	Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization ▶ _____ 0.		
e	All organizations At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T		X
41	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ▶ NONE		
42a	The books are in care of ▶ WADE RATHKE Telephone no ▶ (504) 943-5954 Located at ▶ P.O. BOX 3924, NEW ORLEANS, LA ZIP + 4 ▶ 70117		
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 ▶ _____ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22 1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts		X
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 ▶ _____		X
43	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ▶ 43 <input type="checkbox"/> N/A		
44	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		X
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		X

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

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

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$100,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(D) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(E) Expense account and other allowances
NONE				
Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000 ▶				

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

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		
Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000 ▶		

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

Sign Here ▶ *[Signature]* Signature of officer 9/2/09 Date

▶ *RATHCO* Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer's Use Only

Preparer's signature ▶ *William B. Harmon CPA* Date *8-26-09* Check if self-employed Preparer's Identifying Number (See instr.)

Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4 ▶ **DUPLANTIER, HRAPMANN, HOGAN & MAHER, LLP**
1340 POYDRAS STREET, SUITE 2000
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA 70112

EIN ▶
 Phone no ▶ **(504) 586-8866**

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

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Public Charity Status and Public Support

OMB No 1545-0047

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

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

Name of the organization

ACORN INTERNATIONAL

Employer identification number

52-2416966

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

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

- 1 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).**
- 2 A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).** (Attach Schedule E.)
- 3 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).** (Attach Schedule H)
- 4 A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).** Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: _____
- 5 An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv).** (Complete Part II.)
- 6 A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).**
- 7 An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
- 8 A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
- 9 An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions - subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975 See **section 509(a)(2).** (Complete the Part III.)
- 10 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4).** (see instructions)
- 11 An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2) See **section 509(a)(3).** Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h.
 - a Type I
 - b Type II
 - c Type III - Functionally integrated
 - d Type III - Other
- e By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2)
- f If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, or Type III supporting organization, check this box
- g Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons?
 - (i) A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (ii) and (iii) below, the governing body of the supported organization?
 - (ii) A family member of a person described in (i) above?
 - (iii) A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above?
- h Provide the following information about the organizations the organization supports

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

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

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

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)▶	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	37,195.	224,533.	362,832.	421,432.	253,662.	1,299,654.
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 - 3	37,195.	224,533.	362,832.	421,432.	253,662.	1,299,654.
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)						562,555.
6 Public Support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						737,099.

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)▶	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	37,195.	224,533.	362,832.	421,432.	253,662.	1,299,654.
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
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 IV)			30,208.	199.	2,394.	32,801.
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						1,332,455.
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	30,208.

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

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2008 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	55.32	%
15 Public support percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 26f	15	50.34	%
16a 33 1/3% support test - 2008. 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 - 2007. 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 - 2008. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>			
b 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2007. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>			
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>			

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

Section A. Public Support

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

Section B. Total Support

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

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

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2008 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27g	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

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

19a 33 1/3% support tests - 2008. If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

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

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

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Asset No	Description	Date Acquired	Method	Life	Conv	Line No	Unadjusted Cost Or Basis	Bus % Excl	Section 179 Expense	* Reduction In Basis	Basis For Depreciation	Beginning Accumulated Depreciation	Current Sec 179 Expense	Current Year Deduction	Ending Accumulated Depreciation
	PROGRAM SERVICES														
1	COMPUTER	02/08/06	SL	5.00		HY16	1,218.				1,218.	488.		244.	732.
	* 990-EZ PG 1 TOTAL PROGRAM SERVICES						1,218.				1,218.	488.		244.	732.
	* GRAND TOTAL 990-EZ PG 1 DEPR						1,218.				1,218.	488.		244.	732.

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Asset No	Description	Date Acquired	Method	Life	Conv	Line No	Unadjusted Cost Or Basis	Bus % Excl	Section 179 Expense	* Reduction In Basis	Basis For Depreciation	Beginning Accumulated Depreciation	Current Sec 179 Expense	Current Year Deduction	Ending Accumulated Depreciation	

FORM 990-EZ	OTHER EXPENSES	STATEMENT	1
DESCRIPTION		AMOUNT	
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES		2,359.	
BANK CHARGES		5,369.	
CAMPAIGN SERVICES		350.	
COMMUNICATIONS SF		855.	
CREDIT CARD FEES		24.	
EQUIPMENT PURCHASES		175.	
EQUIPMENT REPAIR		579.	
EXPRESS SERVICES		1,184.	
FILING FEES		849.	
FILMS & DEVELOPMENT		216.	
INTERNET		1,413.	
LEGAL SETTLEMENT		1,500.	
LOSS ON CURRENCY EXCHANGE		7,035.	
MILEAGE		5,693.	
PERSONNEL SERVICES		1,538.	
PROGRAM GENERAL		3,729.	
PROGRAM/STAFF/MTGS/CONF		164.	
RECRUITING & ADVERTISING		19.	
SUPPLIES		1,763.	
TAXES		8,402.	
TELEPHONE		9,401.	
TRAINING & SEMINARS		500.	
TRAVEL		11,293.	
VEHICLE RENTAL		173.	
TOTAL TO FORM 990-EZ, LINE 16		64,583.	

FORM 990-EZ	OTHER ASSETS	STATEMENT	2
DESCRIPTION	BEG. OF YEAR	END OF YEAR	
RECEIVABLE DUE FROM OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, TRUSTEES AND EMPLOYEES	5,059.	0.	
SECURITY DEPOSITS	983.	983.	
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE-TRADE	0.	1,100.	
DUE FROM ACORN INSTITUTE	0.	5,000.	
OTHER DEPRECIABLE ASSETS	730.	486.	
TOTAL TO FORM 990-EZ, LINE 24	6,772.	7,569.	

FORM 990-EZ	OTHER LIABILITIES	STATEMENT	3
DESCRIPTION	BEG. OF YEAR	END OF YEAR	
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	3,757.	21,114.	
LOANS PAYABLE	1,799.	0.	
PAYROLL TAXES PAYABLE	0.	1,574.	
INTERCOMPANY PAYABLES	0.	1,753.	
PENSIONS PAYABLE	0.	47.	
TOTAL TO FORM 990-EZ, LINE 26	5,556.	24,488.	

FORM 990-EZ	OCCUPANCY, RENT, UTILITIES AND MAINTENANCE	STATEMENT	4
DESCRIPTION		AMOUNT	
DEPRECIATION		244.	
OTHER EXPENSES		19,543.	
TOTAL TO FORM 990-EZ, LINE 14		19,787.	

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INFORMATION REGARDING TRANSFERS
ASSOCIATED WITH PERSONAL BENEFIT CONTRACTS

STATEMENT 5

A) DID THE ORGANIZATION, DURING THE YEAR, RECEIVE ANY FUNDS,
DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, TO PAY PREMIUMS ON A PERSONAL
BENEFIT CONTRACT? [] YES [X] NO

B) DID THE ORGANIZATION, DURING THE YEAR, PAY PREMIUMS,
DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, ON A PERSONAL BENEFIT CONTRACT? . . [] YES [X] NO

TO BUILD COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS OF LOW INCOME FAMILIES AND PARTNER WITH GRASSROOTS ORGANIZATIONS OUTSIDE OF THE UNITED STATES.

• If you are filing for an **Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension**, complete only Part II and check this box

Note. Only complete Part II if you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868

• If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension**, complete only Part I (on page 1)

Part II		Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension of Time. Only file the original (no copies needed)	
Type or print File by the extended due date for filing the return. See instructions	Name of Exempt Organization		Employer identification number
	ACORN INTERNATIONAL		52-2416966
	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P O box, see instructions		For IRS use only
	P.O. BOX 3924		
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code For a foreign address, see instructions.		
	NEW ORLEANS, LA 70117		

Check type of return to be filed (File a separate application for each return)

- Form 990
- Form 990-EZ
- Form 990-T (sec. 401(a) or 408(a) trust)
- Form 1041-A
- Form 5227
- Form 8870
- Form 990-BL
- Form 990-PF
- Form 990-T (trust other than above)
- Form 4720
- Form 6069

STOP! Do not complete Part II if you were not already granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.

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 Telephone No (504) 943-5954 FAX No. (504) 943-5715

• If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box

• If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) _____ If this is for the whole group, check this box If it is for part of the group, check this box and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension is for

4 I request an additional 3-month extension of time until NOVEMBER 15, 2009

5 For calendar year 2008, or other tax year beginning _____, and ending _____

6 If this tax year is for less than 12 months, check reason: Initial return Final return Change in accounting period

7 State in detail why you need the extension

ADDITIONAL TIME IS REQUESTED IN ORDER TO COMPILE ALL TAX INFORMATION REQUIRED TO FILE A COMPLETE AND ACCURATE TAX RETURN.

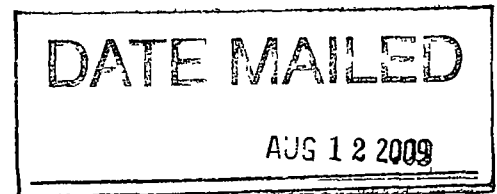
8a	If this application is for Form 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions	8a	\$	
b	If this application is for Form 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit and any amount paid previously with Form 8868	8b	\$	
c	Balance Due. Subtract line 8b from line 8a. Include your payment with this form, or, if required, deposit with FTD coupon or, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions	8c	\$	N/A

Signature and Verification

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this form, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct and complete, and that I am authorized to prepare this form.

Signature William G. Harmon Title CPA Date 8/13/09

Form 8868 (Rev 4-2009)



Application for Extension of Time To File an Exempt Organization Return

► **File a separate application for each return.**

- If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension**, complete only Part I and check this box
- If you are filing for an **Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension**, complete only Part II (on page 2 of this form)

Do not complete Part II unless you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868

Part I Automatic 3-Month Extension of Time. Only submit original (no copies needed)

A corporation required to file Form 990-T and requesting an automatic 6-month extension - check this box and complete Part I only

All other corporations (including 120-C fers), partnerships, REMICs, ad trusts must use Form 004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns.

Electronic Filing (e-file). Generally, you can electronically file Form 8868 if you want a 3-month automatic extension of time to file one of the returns noted below (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T). However, you cannot file Form 8868 electronically if (1) you want the additional (not automatic) 3-month extension or (2) you file Forms 990-BL, 6069, or 8870, group returns, or a composite or consolidated Form 990-T. Instead, you must submit the fully completed and signed page 2 (Part II) of Form 8868. For more details on the electronic filing of this form, visit www.irs.gov/efile and click on e-file for *Charities & Nonprofits*.

Type or print	Name of Exempt Organization	Employer identification number
	ACORN INTERNATIONAL	52-2416966
File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions	Number, street, and room or suite no. if a P.O. box, see instructions	
	2609 CANAL STREET, 4TH FLOOR P.O. Box 3924	
City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions.		
NEW ORLEANS, LA 70119 70119 70177		

Check type of return to be filed (file a separate application for each return).

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990 | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T (corporation) | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 4720 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-BL | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T (sec 401(a) or 408(a) trust) | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 5227 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-EZ | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T (trust other than above) | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 6069 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-PF | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 1041-A | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 8870 |

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• If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box

• If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) _____ If this is for the whole group, check this box . If it is for part of the group, check this box and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension will cover

1 I request an automatic 3-month (6-months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T) extension of time until AUGUST 15, 2009, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for:

► calendar year 2008 or

► tax year beginning _____, and ending _____

2 If this tax year is for less than 12 months, check reason: Initial return Final return Change in accounting period

3a	If this application is for Form 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions	3a	\$
b	If this application is for Form 990-PF or 990-T, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit.	3b	\$
c	Balance Due. Subtract line 3b from line 3a. Include your payment with this form, or, if required, deposit with FTD coupon or, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions	3c	\$ <u>N/A</u>

Caution. If you are going to make an electronic fund withdrawal with this Form 8868, see Form 8453-EO and Form 8879-EO for payment instructions