

Form **990**

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No. 1545-0047

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

2017
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Internal Revenue Service

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A For the **2017** 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"/> Final return/terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	C Name of organization MISSISSIPPI CHILDREN'S HOME SOCIETY		D Employer identification number 64-0303085
	Doing business as CANOPY CHILDREN'S SOLUTIONS		E Telephone number (601) 352-7784
	Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address)	Room/suite	G Gross receipts \$ 18,514,080.
	P O BOX 1078		H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
	City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code JACKSON, MS 39215		H(b) Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
F Name and address of principal officer: JOHN D. DAMON SAME AS C ABOVE			If "No," attach a list. (see instructions)
I Tax-exempt status: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) () ◀ (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527			
J Website: ▶ WWW.MYCANOPY.ORG			
K Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other ▶			L Year of formation: 1912 M State of legal domicile: MS

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: TO IMPROVE THE LIVES OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES BY PROVIDING A CONTINUUM OF COMPASSIONATE, MEASUREABLE		
	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	30
	4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	30
	5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2017 (Part V, line 2a)	5	316
	6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	330
	7 a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	1,070.
b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	70.	
Revenue	8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year	Current Year
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	1,694,507.	1,647,491.
	10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	15,435,698.	16,654,902.
	11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	52,064.	53,726.
	12 Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	-10,449.	-43,551.
Expenses	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	17,171,820.	18,312,568.
	14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	270,997.	342,258.
	15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	0.	0.
	16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	9,728,612.	9,940,489.
	b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 482,893.	0.	0.
	17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	7,111,130.	7,641,353.
	18 Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	17,110,739.	17,924,100.
19 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	61,081.	388,468.	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
	21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	22,629,160.	27,664,553.
	22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	7,779,089.	12,380,052.
		14,850,071.	15,284,501.

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			
	JOHN D. DAMON, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER Type or print name and title				
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name AMIE T. WHITTINGTON, CPA	Preparer's signature AMIE T. WHITTINGTON,	Date 08/09/18	Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/>	PTIN P01082167
	Firm's name ▶ HORNE LLP	Firm's EIN ▶ 20-1941244	Phone no. 601-326-1000		
Firm's address ▶ 1020 HIGHLAND COLONY PKWY., STE. 400		RIDGELAND, MS 39157			

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