

Form

990

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)

2005

Open to Public Inspection

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

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

A For the 2005 calendar year, or tax year beginning 2005, and ending 20

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

C Name of organization: THE ELECTION CENTER. Number and street: 12543 WESTELLA. City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4: HOUSTON, TEXAS 77077-3929

D Employer identification number: 54-1547880. E Telephone number: 281-293-0101. F Accounting method: Cash

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

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

G Website:

J Organization type (check only one): 501(c)(3)

K Check here if the organization's gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000

L Gross receipts Add lines 6b, 8b, 9b, and 10b to line 12: 1,178,614

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

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

Table with 21 rows for Revenue, Expenses, and Net Assets. Includes sub-rows for contributions, program service revenue, membership dues, interest, dividends, rents, special events, and sales of inventory. Total revenue is 1,178,614 and total expenses is 951,085.

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Part II Statement of Functional Expenses All organizations must complete column (A) Columns (B), (C), and (D) are required for section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts but optional for others (See the instructions)

Do not include amounts reported on line 6b, 8b, 9b, 10b, or 16 of Part I		(A) Total	(B) Program services	(C) Management and general	(D) Fundraising
22	Grants and allocations (attach schedule) (cash \$ _____ noncash \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	22	0		
23	Specific assistance to individuals (attach schedule)	23	0		
24	Benefits paid to or for members (attach schedule)	24	0		
25	Compensation of officers, directors, etc	25	104,244	78,183	26,061
26	Other salaries and wages	26	100,138	85,117	15,021
27	Pension plan contributions	27	33,728	28,669	5,059
28	Other employee benefits	28	5,800	4,930	870
29	Payroll taxes	29	16,445	13,978	2,467
30	Professional fundraising fees	30	0		
31	Accounting fees	31	2,321	1,161	1,160
32	Legal fees	32	2,028	1,014	1,014
33	Supplies	33	14,656	11,285	3,371
34	Telephone	34	11,907	6,684	5,223
35	Postage and shipping	35	15,583	11,687	3,896
36	Occupancy	36	27,642	23,219	4,423
37	Equipment rental and maintenance	37	3,607	2,633	974
38	Printing and publications	38	20,574	17,899	2,675
39	Travel	39	44,791	11,198	33,593
40	Conferences, conventions, and meetings	40	524,012	524,012	
41	Interest	41	0		
42	Depreciation, depletion, etc. (attach schedule)	42	6,640	5,976	664
43	Other expenses not covered above (itemize)				
a	INVESTMENT FEES	43a	11,969	9,815	2,154
b	KATRINA VICTIMS-SALVATION	43b	5,000	5,000	
c	ARMY CONTRIBUTION	43c	0		
d		43d	0		
e		43e	0		
f		43f	0		
g		43g	0		
44	Total functional expenses. Add lines 22 through 43. (Organizations completing columns (B)-(D), carry these totals to lines 13-15)	44	951,085	842,460	108,625

Joint Costs. Check if you are following SOP 98-2
 Are any joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation reported in (B) Program services? Yes No
 If "Yes," enter (i) the aggregate amount of these joint costs \$ _____, (ii) the amount allocated to Program services \$ _____, (iii) the amount allocated to Management and general \$ _____, and (iv) the amount allocated to Fundraising \$ _____

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

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

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? ▶	Program Service Expenses
EDUCATE/TRAIN ELECTION OFFICIALS All organizations must describe their exempt purpose achievements in a clear and concise manner. State the number of clients served, publications issued, etc. Discuss achievements that are not measurable (Section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must also enter the amount of grants and allocations to others.)	(Required for 501(c)(3) and (4) orgs. and 4947(a)(1) trusts, but optional for others.)
a THE PRIMARY PURPOSE IS THE EDUCATION & TRAINING OF ELECTION OFFICIALS & THE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION REGARDING ELECTION LAWS & HOW TO CONDUCT ELECTIONS AT THE FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL LEVELS.	
(Grants and allocations \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	842,460
b _____ _____ _____	
(Grants and allocations \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	
c _____ _____ _____	
(Grants and allocations \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	
d _____ _____ _____	
(Grants and allocations \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	
e Other program services (attach schedule) (Grants and allocations \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	
f Total of Program Service Expenses (should equal line 44, column (B), Program services) ▶	842,460

Part IV Balance Sheets (See the instructions.)

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Note: Where required, attached schedules and amounts within the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only				
Assets	45 Cash—non-interest-bearing	54,616	45	199,614
	46 Savings and temporary cash investments	54,433	46	135,629
	47a Accounts receivable	47a		
	b Less allowance for doubtful accounts	47b	47c	0
	48a Pledges receivable	48a		
	b Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	48b	48c	0
	49 Grants receivable		49	
	50 Receivables from officers, directors, trustees, and key employees (attach schedule)		50	
	51a Other notes and loans receivable (attach schedule)	51a		
	b Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	51b	51c	0
	52 Inventories for sale or use		52	
	53 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		53	
	54 Investments—securities (attach schedule) <input type="checkbox"/> Cost <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FMV	818,025	54	921,583
	55a Investments—land, buildings, and equipment, basis	55a		
	b Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule)	55b	55c	0
56 Investments—other (attach schedule)		56		
57a Land, buildings, and equipment: basis	57a 46,945			
b Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule)	57b 31,847	15,634	57c 15,098	
58 Other assets (describe ► SECURITY DEPOSITS)	1,340	58	1,340	
59 Total assets (must equal line 74) Add lines 45 through 58	944,048	59	1,273,264	
Liabilities	60 Accounts payable and accrued expenses		60	
	61 Grants payable		61	
	62 Deferred revenue		62	
	63 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and key employees (attach schedule)		63	
	64a Tax-exempt bond liabilities (attach schedule)		64a	
	b Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule)		64b	
	65 Other liabilities (describe ► UNREALIZED GAINS)	225,413	65	327,100
	66 Total liabilities. Add lines 60 through 65	225,413	66	327,100
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here ► <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 67 through 69 and lines 73 and 74			
	67 Unrestricted		67	
	68 Temporarily restricted		68	
	69 Permanently restricted		69	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ► <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 70 through 74			
	70 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds		70	
	71 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, and equipment fund		71	
	72 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds	718,635	72	946,164
73 Total net assets or fund balances (add lines 67 through 69 or lines 70 through 72, column (A) must equal line 19, column (B) must equal line 21)	718,635	73	946,164	
74 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances. Add lines 66 and 73	944,048	74	1,273,264	

Part V-A Current Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees <i>(continued)</i>	Yes	No
75a Enter the total number of officers, directors, and trustees permitted to vote on organization business at board meetings ▶ <u>6</u>		
b Are any officers, directors, trustees, or key employees listed in Form 990, Part V-A, or highest compensated employees listed in Schedule A, Part I, or highest compensated professional and other independent contractors listed in Schedule A, Part II-A or II-B, related to each other through family or business relationships? If "Yes," attach a statement that identifies the individuals and explains the relationship(s)	75b	X
c Do any officers, directors, trustees, or key employees listed in Form 990, Part V-A, or highest compensated employees listed in Schedule A, Part I, or highest compensated professional and other independent contractors listed in Schedule A, Part II-A or II-B, receive compensation from any other organizations, whether tax exempt or taxable, that are related to this organization through common supervision or common control? Note Related organizations include section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations If "Yes," attach a statement that identifies the individuals, explains the relationship between this organization and the other organization(s), and describes the compensation arrangements, including amounts paid to each individual by each related organization.	75c	X
d Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy?	75d	X

Part V-B Former Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees That Received Compensation or Other Benefits (If any former officer, director, trustee, or key employee received compensation or other benefits (described below) during the year, list that person below and enter the amount of compensation or other benefits in the appropriate column. See the instructions.)

(A) Name and address	(B) Loans and Advances	(C) Compensation	(D) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation plans	(E) Expense account and other allowances
NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE

Part VI Other Information <i>(See the instructions)</i>	Yes	No
76 Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity	76	X
77 Were any changes made in the organizing or governing documents but not reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes.	77	X
78a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year covered by this return?	78a	X
b If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?	78b	N A
79 Was there a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," attach a statement	79	X
80a Is the organization related (other than by association with a statewide or nationwide organization) through common membership, governing bodies, trustees, officers, etc., to any other exempt or nonexempt organization?	80a	X
b If "Yes," enter the name of the organization ▶ <u>N/A</u>		
81a Enter direct and indirect political expenditures. (See line 81 instructions.) [<input type="checkbox"/> exempt or <input type="checkbox"/> nonexempt]	81a	N/A
b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?	81b	N A

Part VI Other Information (continued)

		Yes	No
82a	Did the organization receive donated services or the use of materials, equipment, or facilities at no charge or at substantially less than fair rental value?		X
b	If "Yes," you may indicate the value of these items here. Do not include this amount as revenue in Part I or as an expense in Part II. (See instructions in Part III)		
	82b N/A		
83a	Did the organization comply with the public inspection requirements for returns and exemption applications?	X	
83b	Did the organization comply with the disclosure requirements relating to quid pro quo contributions?	N	A
84a	Did the organization solicit any contributions or gifts that were not tax deductible?		X
84b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	N	A
85a	501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations a Were substantially all dues nondeductible by members?	N	A
85b	b Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less? If "Yes" was answered to either 85a or 85b, do not complete 85c through 85h below unless the organization received a waiver for proxy tax owed for the prior year	N	A
85c	c Dues, assessments, and similar amounts from members		N/A
85d	d Section 162(e) lobbying and political expenditures		N/A
85e	e Aggregate nondeductible amount of section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices		N/A
85f	f Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (line 85d less 85e)		0
85g	g Does the organization elect to pay the section 6033(e) tax on the amount on line 85f?	N	A
85h	h If section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices were sent, does the organization agree to add the amount on line 85f to its reasonable estimate of dues allocable to nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures for the following tax year?	N	A
86a	501(c)(7) orgs Enter a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 12		N/A
86b	b Gross receipts, included on line 12, for public use of club facilities		N/A
87a	501(c)(12) orgs Enter a Gross income from members or shareholders		N/A
87b	b Gross income from other sources. (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them)		N/A
88	At any time during the year, did the organization own a 50% or greater interest in a taxable corporation or partnership, or an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? If "Yes," complete Part IX		X
89a	501(c)(3) organizations Enter Amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911 ▶ N/A, section 4912 ▶ N/A; section 4955 ▶ N/A		
89b	b 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) orgs Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or did it become aware of an excess benefit transaction from a prior year? If "Yes," attach a statement explaining each transaction		X
c	Enter: Amount of tax imposed on the organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958		N/A
d	Enter: Amount of tax on line 89c, above, reimbursed by the organization		N/A
90a	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ▶ N/A		
90b	b Number of employees employed in the pay period that includes March 12, 2005 (See instructions)		4
91a	The books are in care of ▶ DOUG LEWIS, EXEC DIRECTOR Telephone no ▶ 281-293-0101 Located at ▶ 12543 WESTELLA HOUSTON, TEXAS ZIP + 4 ▶ 77077-3929		
91b	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 ▶ N/A See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts		X
91c	c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the United States? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶ N/A		X
92	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041— Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ▶ 92		N/A

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

Note: Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated

	Unrelated business income		Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514		(E) Related or exempt function income
	(A) Business code	(B) Amount	(C) Exclusion code	(D) Amount	
93 Program service revenue					
a CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS AND					
b TUITION					661,065
c					
d					
e					
f Medicare/Medicaid payments					
g Fees and contracts from government agencies					328,650
94 Membership dues and assessments					173,766
95 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments					1,293
96 Dividends and interest from securities					13,840
97 Net rental income or (loss) from real estate:					
a debt-financed property					
b not debt-financed property					
98 Net rental income or (loss) from personal property					
99 Other investment income					
100 Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory					
101 Net income or (loss) from special events					
102 Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory					
103 Other revenue a _____					
b _____					
c _____					
d _____					
e _____					
104 Subtotal (add columns (B), (D), and (E))					1,178,614
105 Total (add line 104, columns (B), (D), and (E))					1,178,614

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

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

Line No.	Explain how each activity for which income is reported in column (E) of Part VII contributed importantly to the accomplishment of the organization's exempt purposes (other than by providing funds for such purposes)
93	SEE ATTACHED SUPPORTING STATEMENT # 2

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

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

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

- (a) Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, from any personal benefit contract? Yes No
 - (b) Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, for any personal benefit contract? Yes No
- Note:** If "Yes" to (b), file Form 8870 and Form 4720 (see instructions)

Please Sign Here

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including attachments, if any, and believe that it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on and includes information provided by the taxpayer.

Signature of officer: *[Handwritten Signature]*

Type or print name and title: _____

Paid Preparer's Use Only

Preparer's signature: *[Handwritten Signature]*

Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4: ALAN CHARLES WEINER, 6200 SAVOY, STE#530

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Organization Exempt Under Section 501(c)(3)

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

Supplementary Information—(See separate instructions.)

OMB No 1545-0047

2005

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

Name of the organization THE ELECTION CENTER	Employer identification number 55-1578880
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Part I Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Employees Other Than Officers, Directors, and Trustees
(See page 1 of the instructions. List each one if there are none, enter "None")

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
NONE				
Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000 ▶		NONE		

Part II-A Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Independent Contractors for Professional Services
(See page 2 of the instructions. List each one (whether individuals or firms). If there are none, enter "None")

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		
Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services ▶		NONE

Part II-B Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Independent Contractors for Other Services
(List each contractor who performed services other than professional services, whether individuals or firms. If there are none, enter "None." See page 2 of the instructions.)

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		
Total number of other contractors receiving over \$50,000 for other services ▶		NONE

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

	Yes	No
1 During the year, has the organization attempted to influence national, state, or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum? If "Yes," enter the total expenses paid or incurred in connection with the lobbying activities ▶ \$ _____ (Must equal amounts on line 38, Part VI-A, or line i of Part VI-B) Organizations that made an election under section 501(h) by filing Form 5768 must complete Part VI-A. Other organizations checking "Yes" must complete Part VI-B AND attach a statement giving a detailed description of the lobbying activities.	1	X
2 During the year, has the organization, either directly or indirectly, engaged in any of the following acts with any substantial contributors, trustees, directors, officers, creators, key employees, or members of their families, or with any taxable organization with which any such person is affiliated as an officer, director, trustee, majority owner, or principal beneficiary? (If the answer to any question is "Yes," attach a detailed statement explaining the transactions)		
a Sale, exchange, or leasing of property?	2a	X
b Lending of money or other extension of credit?	2b	X
c Furnishing of goods, services, or facilities?	2c	X
d Payment of compensation (or payment or reimbursement of expenses if more than \$1,000)?	2d	X
e Transfer of any part of its income or assets?	2e	X
3a Do you make grants for scholarships, fellowships, student loans, etc.? (If "Yes," attach an explanation of how you determine that recipients qualify to receive payments)	3a	X
b Do you have a section 403(b) annuity plan for your employees?	3b	X
c During the year, did the organization receive a contribution of qualified real property interest under section 170(h)?	3c	X
4a Did you maintain any separate account for participating donors where donors have the right to provide advice on the use or distribution of funds?	4a	X
b Do you provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services?	4b	X

Part IV Reason for Non-Private Foundation Status (See pages 3 through 6 of the instructions.)

The organization is not a private foundation because it is (Please check only **ONE** applicable box.)

- 5 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches Section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)
- 6 A school Section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii) (Also complete Part V)
- 7 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)
- 8 A Federal, state, or local government or governmental unit Section 170(b)(1)(A)(v)
- 9 A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii) Enter the hospital's name, city, and state ▶ _____
- 10 An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A)
- 11a An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A)
- 11b A community trust Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A)
- 12 An organization that normally receives (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its charitable, etc., functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975 See section 509(a)(2) (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A)
- 13 An organization that is not controlled by any disqualified persons (other than foundation managers) and supports organizations described in (1) lines 5 through 12 above, or (2) sections 501(c)(4), (5), or (6), if they meet the test of section 509(a)(2) Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization ▶ Type 1 Type 2 Type 3

Provide the following information about the supported organizations (See page 6 of the instructions.)

(a) Name(s) of supported organization(s)	(b) Line number from above

- 14 An organization organized and operated to test for public safety Section 509(a)(4) (See page 6 of the instructions)

Part IV-A Support Schedule (Complete only if you checked a box on line 10, 11, or 12) *Use cash method of accounting.*

Note: You may use the worksheet in the instructions for converting from the accrual to the cash method of accounting

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2004	(b) 2003	(c) 2002	(d) 2001	(e) Total
15 Gifts, grants, and contributions received (Do not include unusual grants See line 28)					0
16 Membership fees received	147,375	156,739	151,325	152,311	607,750
17 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or furnishing of facilities in any activity that is related to the organization's charitable, etc., purpose	436,364	562,221	456,248	486,824	1,941,657
18 Gross income from interest, dividends, amounts received from payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), rents, royalties, and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975	3,798	7,524	5,982	10,381	27,685
19 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 18					0
20 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to it or expended on its behalf					0
21 The value of services or facilities furnished to the organization by a governmental unit without charge Do not include the value of services or facilities generally furnished to the public without charge					0
22 Other income Attach a schedule Do not include gain or (loss) from sale of capital assets					0
23 Total of lines 15 through 22	587,537	726,484	613,555	649,516	2,577,092
24 Line 23 minus line 17	151,173	164,263	157,307	162,692	635,435
25 Enter 1% of line 23	5,875	7,265	6,136	6,495	
26 Organizations described on lines 10 or 11:					
a Enter 2% of amount in column (e), line 24					26a 12,709
b Prepare a list for your records to show the name of and amount contributed by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) whose total gifts for 2001 through 2004 exceeded the amount shown in line 26a Do not file this list with your return. Enter the total of all these excess amounts					26b 112,000
c Total support for section 509(a)(1) test Enter line 24, column (e)					26c 635,435
d Add Amounts from column (e) for lines	18 27,685	19 0			
	22 0	26b 112,000			26d 139,685
e Public support (line 26c minus line 26d total)					26e 495,750
f Public support percentage (line 26e (numerator) divided by line 26c (denominator))					26f 78.02%
27 Organizations described on line 12:					
a For amounts included in lines 15, 16, and 17 that were received from a "disqualified person," prepare a list for your records to show the name of, and total amounts received in each year from, each "disqualified person" Do not file this list with your return. Enter the sum of such amounts for each year					
(2004) _____ (2003) _____ (2002) _____ (2001) _____					
b For any amount included in line 17 that was received from each person (other than "disqualified persons"), prepare a list for your records to show the name of, and amount received for each year, that was more than the larger of (1) the amount on line 25 for the year or (2) \$5,000 (Include in the list organizations described in lines 5 through 11b, as well as individuals) Do not file this list with your return. After computing the difference between the amount received and the larger amount described in (1) or (2), enter the sum of these differences (the excess amounts) for each year					
(2004) _____ (2003) _____ (2002) _____ (2001) _____					
c Add Amounts from column (e) for lines	15 _____	16 _____			
	17 _____	20 _____	21 _____		
d Add Line 27a total _____ and line 27b total _____					27c _____
e Public support (line 27c total minus line 27d total)					27d _____
f Total support for section 509(a)(2) test Enter amount from line 23, column (e)					27e _____
g Public support percentage (line 27e (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator))					27f _____
h Investment income percentage (line 18, column (e) (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator))					27g _____ %
28 Unusual Grants: For an organization described in line 10, 11, or 12 that received any unusual grants during 2001 through 2004, prepare a list for your records to show, for each year, the name of the contributor, the date and amount of the grant, and a brief description of the nature of the grant Do not file this list with your return. Do not include these grants in line 15					27h _____ %

Part V Private School Questionnaire (See page 7 of the instructions.)

N/A

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

	Yes	No
29 Does the organization have a racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students by statement in its charter, bylaws, other governing instrument, or in a resolution of its governing body?		
30 Does the organization include a statement of its racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students in all its brochures, catalogues, and other written communications with the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?		
31 Has the organization publicized its racially nondiscriminatory policy through newspaper or broadcast media during the period of solicitation for students, or during the registration period if it has no solicitation program, in a way that makes the policy known to all parts of the general community it serves? If "Yes," please describe, if "No," please explain (If you need more space, attach a separate statement) _____ _____ _____		
32 Does the organization maintain the following		
a Records indicating the racial composition of the student body, faculty, and administrative staff?		
b Records documenting that scholarships and other financial assistance are awarded on a racially nondiscriminatory basis?		
c Copies of all catalogues, brochures, announcements, and other written communications to the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?		
d Copies of all material used by the organization or on its behalf to solicit contributions? If you answered "No" to any of the above, please explain (If you need more space, attach a separate statement) _____ _____		
33 Does the organization discriminate by race in any way with respect to		
a Students' rights or privileges?		
b Admissions policies?		
c Employment of faculty or administrative staff?		
d Scholarships or other financial assistance?		
e Educational policies?		
f Use of facilities?		
g Athletic programs?		
h Other extracurricular activities? If you answered "Yes" to any of the above, please explain (If you need more space, attach a separate statement) _____ _____		
34a Does the organization receive any financial aid or assistance from a governmental agency?		
b Has the organization's right to such aid ever been revoked or suspended? If you answered "Yes" to either 34a or b, please explain using an attached statement		
35 Does the organization certify that it has complied with the applicable requirements of sections 4 01 through 4 05 of Rev Proc 75-50, 1975-2 C B 587, covering racial nondiscrimination? If "No," attach an explanation		

Part VI-A Lobbying Expenditures by Electing Public Charities (See page 9 of the instructions)
 (To be completed **ONLY** by an eligible organization that filed Form 5768)

N/A

Check **a** if the organization belongs to an affiliated group Check **b** if you checked "a" and "limited control" provisions apply

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures

(The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred)

	(a) Affiliated group totals	(b) To be completed for ALL electing organizations
36 Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grassroots lobbying)	36	
37 Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)	37	
38 Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 36 and 37)	38	
39 Other exempt purpose expenditures	39	
40 Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 38 and 39)	40	
41 Lobbying nontaxable amount Enter the amount from the following table— If the amount on line 40 is— The lobbying nontaxable amount is— Not over \$500,000 20% of the amount on line 40 Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000 \$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000 Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000 \$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000 Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000 \$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000 Over \$17,000,000 \$1,000,000	41	
42 Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 41)	42	
43 Subtract line 42 from line 36 Enter -0- if line 42 is more than line 36	43	
44 Subtract line 41 from line 38 Enter -0- if line 41 is more than line 38	44	

Caution: If there is an amount on either line 43 or line 44, you must file Form 4720

4-Year Averaging Period Under Section 501(h)

(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below
 See the instructions for lines 45 through 50 on page 11 of the instructions)

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period				
	(a) 2005	(b) 2004	(c) 2003	(d) 2002	(e) Total
45 Lobbying nontaxable amount					
46 Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 45(e))					
47 Total lobbying expenditures					
48 Grassroots nontaxable amount					
49 Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 48(e))					
50 Grassroots lobbying expenditures					

N/A

Part VI-B Lobbying Activity by Nonelecting Public Charities

(For reporting only by organizations that did not complete Part VI-A) (See page 11 of the instructions)

During the year, did the organization attempt to influence national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of

- a Volunteers
- b Paid staff or management (Include compensation in expenses reported on lines c through h.)
- c Media advertisements
- d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public
- e Publications, or published or broadcast statements
- f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes
- g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body
- h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any other means
- i Total lobbying expenditures (Add lines c through h.)

Yes	No	Amount

If "Yes" to any of the above, also attach a statement giving a detailed description of the lobbying activities

Part VII Information Regarding Transfers To and Transactions and Relationships With Noncharitable Exempt Organizations (See page 12 of the instructions.)

51 Did the reporting organization directly or indirectly engage in any of the following with any other organization described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3) organizations) or in section 527, relating to political organizations?

a Transfers from the reporting organization to a noncharitable exempt organization of

	Yes	No
51a(i)		X
a(ii)		X
b(i)		X
b(ii)		X
b(iii)		X
b(iv)		X
b(v)		X
b(vi)		X
c		X

(i) Cash

(ii) Other assets

b Other transactions

(i) Sales or exchanges of assets with a noncharitable exempt organization

(ii) Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization

(iii) Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets

(iv) Reimbursement arrangements

(v) Loans or loan guarantees

(vi) Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations

c Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees

d If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," complete the following schedule. Column (b) should always show the fair market value of the goods, other assets, or services given by the reporting organization. If the organization received less than fair market value in any transaction or sharing arrangement, show in column (d) the value of the goods, other assets, or services received.

(a) Line no	(b) Amount involved	(c) Name of noncharitable exempt organization	(d) Description of transfers, transactions, and sharing arrangements
N/A			

52a Is the organization directly or indirectly affiliated with, or related to, one or more tax-exempt organizations described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3)) or in section 527? Yes No

b If "Yes," complete the following schedule

(a) Name of organization	(b) Type of organization	(c) Description of relationship
N/A		

Depreciation and Amortization
(Including Information on Listed Property)

▶ See separate instructions. ▶ Attach to your tax return.

Name(s) shown on return
THE ELECTION CENTER

Identifying number
54-1578880

Business or activity to which this form relates

FORM 1120

Part I Election To Expense Certain Property Under Section 179

Note: If you have any listed property, complete Part V before you complete Part I.

1	Maximum amount. See the instructions for a higher limit for certain businesses	1	\$105,000.
2	Total cost of section 179 property placed in service (see instructions)	2	
3	Threshold cost of section 179 property before reduction in limitation	3	\$420,000.
4	Reduction in limitation. Subtract line 3 from line 2. If zero or less, enter -0-	4	
5	Dollar limitation for tax year. Subtract line 4 from line 1. If zero or less, enter -0-. If married filing separately, see instructions	5	
6	(a) Description of property	(b) Cost (business use only)	(c) Elected cost
7	Listed property. Enter the amount from line 29.	7	
8	Total elected cost of section 179 property. Add amounts in column (c), lines 6 and 7.	8	
9	Tentative deduction. Enter the smaller of line 5 or line 8	9	
10	Carryover of disallowed deduction from line 13 of your 2004 Form 4562.	10	
11	Business income limitation. Enter the smaller of business income (not less than zero) or line 5 (see instrs).	11	
12	Section 179 expense deduction. Add lines 9 and 10, but do not enter more than line 11	12	
13	Carryover of disallowed deduction to 2006. Add lines 9 and 10, less line 12	13	

Note: Do not use Part II or Part III below for listed property. Instead, use Part V

Part II Special Depreciation Allowance and Other Depreciation (Do not include listed property.) (See instructions.)

14	Special allowance for certain aircraft, certain property with a long production period, and qualified New York Liberty or GO Zone property (other than listed property) placed in service during the tax year (see instrs)	14	
15	Property subject to section 168(f)(1) election	15	
16	Other depreciation (including ACRS)	16	

Part III MACRS Depreciation (Do not include listed property.) (See instructions)

Section A

17	MACRS deductions for assets placed in service in tax years beginning before 2005.	17	5,419
18	If you are electing to group any assets placed in service during the tax year into one or more general asset accounts, check here <input type="checkbox"/>		

Section B – Assets Placed in Service During 2005 Tax Year Using the General Depreciation System

(a) Classification of property	(b) Month and year placed in service	(c) Basis for depreciation (business/investment use only — see instructions)	(d) Recovery period	(e) Convention	(f) Method	(g) Depreciation deduction
19a 3-year property						
b 5-year property		6,104.	5	HY	200DB	1,221.
c 7-year property						
d 10-year property						
e 15-year property						
f 20-year property						
g 25-year property			25 yrs		S/L	
h Residential rental property			27.5 yrs	MM	S/L	
i Nonresidential real property			27.5 yrs	MM	S/L	
			39 yrs	MM	S/L	
				MM	S/L	

Section C – Assets Placed in Service During 2005 Tax Year Using the Alternative Depreciation System

20a Class life					S/L	
b 12-year			12 yrs		S/L	
c 40-year			40 yrs	MM	S/L	

Part IV Summary (see instructions)

21	Listed property. Enter amount from line 28	21	
22	Total. Add amounts from line 12, lines 14 through 17, lines 19 and 20 in column (g), and line 21. Enter here and on the appropriate lines of your return. Partnerships and S corporations — see instructions	22	6,640
23	For assets shown above and placed in service during the current year, enter the portion of the basis attributable to section 263A costs	23	

12/31/05

2005 FEDERAL DEPRECIATION SCHEDULE

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THE ELECTION CENTER

54-1578800

NO.	DESCRIPTION	DATE ACQUIRED	DATE SOLD	COST/ BASIS	BUS PCT.	CUR 179 BONUS	SPECIAL DEPR ALLOW.	PRIOR 179/ BONUS/ SP. DEPR.	PRIOR DEC. BAL DEPR.	SALVAG /BASIS REDUCT.	DEPR. BASIS	PRIOR DEPR.	METHOD	LIFE	RATE	CURRENT DEPR.	
FORM 1120																	
1	COPIER	5/15/92		886							886	886	200DB HY	7		0	
2	TYPEWRITER	10/15/92		129							129	129	200DB HY	7		0	
3	FURNITURE	6/29/94		1,500							1,500	1,500	200DB HY	7		0	
4	FILING CABINETS	11/15/95		380							380	380	200DB HY	7		0	
5	VACUUM CLEANER	11/15/95		104							104	104	200DB HY	5		0	
6	DESK	5/08/96		100							100	100	200DB MQ	7		0	
7	USED HP III LASERJET PRINT	10/03/96		275							275	275	200DB MQ	5		0	
8	COPIER	11/04/96		4,843							4,843	4,843	200DB MQ	5		0	
9	OVERHEAD PROJECTOR	11/06/96		500							500	500	200DB MQ	5		0	
10	UPS'S	11/30/96		1,198							1,198	1,198	200DB MQ	5		0	
11	FAX MACHINE	11/30/96		239							239	239	200DB MQ	5		0	
12	REFRIGERATOR & MICROWAVE	8/25/97		730							730	730	200DB HY	5		0	
13	TELEPHONE SYSTEM	7/09/97		3,285							3,285	3,285	200DB HY	5		0	
14	PUT900/WAR150/SW230	11/14/97		1,280							1,280	1,280	200DB HY	5		0	
15	COPIER DUPLEX UNIT	7/09/97		1,100							1,100	1,100	200DB HY	5		0	
16	FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT	1/01/03		21,182							21,182	8,214	200DB HY	7	17490	3,705	
17	FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT	1/01/04		3,110				1,555			1,555	222	200DB HY	7	.24490	381	
18	COMPUTER EQUIPMENT	1/01/05		6,104							6,104		200DB HY	5	20000	1,221	
TOTAL				46,945		0	0	1,555	0	0	45,390	24,985					5,307
TOTAL DEPRECIATION				46,945		0	0	1,555	0	0	45,390	24,985					5,307
GRAND TOTAL DEPRECIATION				46,945		0	0	1,555	0	0	45,390	24,985					5,307

THE ELECTION CENTER
 EIN # 54-1578880 FORM 990
 YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005
 SUPPORTING SCHEDULE # 1

PAGE 4, PART V – OFFICERS,
 DIRECTORS, TRUSTEE AND KEY EMPLOYEES

NAMES AND TITLES	HOURS PER WEEK	COMP	BENEFITS
1. HONORABLE ERNEST HAWKINS, CHAIRMAN THE ELECTION CENTER P.O. BOX 965, ELK GROVE, CA 95624 916-686-7928	30	35,465	0
2. HONORABLE ALICE MILLER, BOARD MEMBER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, DC BOARD OF ELECTIONS 441 FOURTH ST NW, STE # 250 WASHINGTON, DC 20001 202-727-2525	10	0	0
3. ROBERT MONTJOY, BOARD MEMBER PROFESSOR, PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION UNIVERSITY OF NEW ORLEANS 2000 LAKESHORE DRIVE, NEW ORLEANS, LA, 70148 504-280-5499	15	4,000	0
4. HONORABLE JULIE PEARSON, BOARD MEMBER PENNINGTON COUNTY AUDITOR 315 ST. JOSEPH STREET RAPID CITY, SD 57701-2892 605-394 2152 EXT # 10	10	0	0
5. HONORABLE BROOK THOMPSON, BOARD MEMBER DIRECTOR OF ELECTIONS, STATE OF TENNESSEE 312 EITH AVE NORTH, NASHVILLE, TN 37243 615-741-7956	10	0	0
6. R. DOUG LEWIS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR THE ELECTION CENTER 12543 WESTELLA, SUITE 100 HOSTON, TEXAS 77077-3929	55	<u>104,244</u>	<u>18,621</u>
		<u>143,709</u>	<u>18,621</u>

THE ELECTION CENTER
EIN # 54-1578880
FORM 990
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005
SUPPORTING SCHEDULE # 2

PAGE 6, PART VIII RELATIONSHIP OF
ACTIVITIES TO EXEMPT PURPOSE:

SEE ATTACHED PAGES

ABOUT THE ELECTION CENTER

The Election Center is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization under the regulations of the Internal Revenue Service. The Election Center's purpose is to promote, preserve, and improve democracy. The Center is also known as the National Association of Election Officials.

Its members are almost exclusively government employees whose profession it is to serve in voter registration and elections administration, i.e., voter registrars, elections supervisors, elections directors, city clerk/city secretary, county clerk, county recorder, state legislative staff, state election director and Secretary of State for each of the individual states, territories, and the District of Columbia.

The Center provides its members a faxcasting service which informs and updates state, city and other elections and voter registration officials regarding legislation, regulations, court decisions, and Justice Department rulings which affect the conduct of voter registration or elections administration. Additionally, the Center performs research for such governmental units concerning the similarities and differences in state or local laws, regulations, or practices concerning voter registration and elections administration.

As the election profession's premier organization for training and certification of election and voter registration administrators, The Center also conducts annual conferences and several regional workshops and seminars throughout each year which are designed specifically for government elections units. Each of these programs is designed to improve the methods of operation and efficiency of the affected offices. The result is improved service to voters, the public, the taxpayers and to government. The Center trains between 600 and 1,000 election and voter registration administrators every year.

Continuing professional education is the cornerstone of continuous improvement of democracy through The Election Center's Professional Education Program. A joint effort of The Center and Auburn University's public administration faculty, the Professional Education Program offers college level instruction for professional growth and development of government officials in the elections and voter registration process. These classes are conducted in several locations throughout each year. The Professional Education Program won an award as the most outstanding continuing education program in America from the National College and University Continuing Education Association (1995).

The Center sponsors an annual Professional Practices contest to get government officials to submit a professional paper on the best of their office programs and practices. Such papers are then duplicated and made available to government officials throughout the U.S. for improving their own operations.

Acting as a catalyst for new ideas or working with difficult issues, it was through The Election Center:

- That state directors of elections formed the National Association of State Election Directors (NASSED) and served as an incubator for NASSED until the organization could operate on its own (1989).
- That the nation's elections administrators developed the first Code of Ethics for voter registrars and elections administrators (1997).

- That the United States Postal Service created the only logo for any mailer outside of the USPS itself. The national Elections Mail Logo identifies for voters and for postal employees official mail related to citizens participation in the democratic process.
- That the USPS and the elections community created the National Task Force on Postal Issues and an elections mail program that significantly improves the ability of election offices to reach voters with mail and to lower mail costs to state and local jurisdictions.
- That created the National Task for on Voting Accessibility, a joint effort of the elections community and the disability community, to improve the ability of the nation's disabled and elderly to participate unassisted in voting, and to improve voting technology for such citizens.
- That formed the National Task Force on Election Reform which was a report of the nation's elections administrators on problems and solutions related to Election 2000 and Election 2004.
- That has trained the elections officials of developing nations.
- That serves as the best single source for news and information organizations concerning elections.

Member governments can also utilize many other services such as surveys, peer review programs, consulting services, technology reviews, recruiting services for employees, and other consulting related services. The consulting services are only for voter registration and elections offices. Due to the unique nature of the responsibilities for voter registration and elections administration, nothing else in industry, or government, is comparable to these functions. These services are fee based but are designed to save jurisdictions tax dollars for services at a fraction of corporate costs for such services. Additionally, the services are performed by people who have an understanding and knowledge of the special requirements necessary for the operations of these offices.

A small professional staff is maintained to develop and administer these programs and to provide research services for members, legislators, local, state and federal elections officials. Research projects can involve in-depth surveys of major issues or specific portions of laws affecting voter registration and elections.

The Center's members also include suppliers of election products and services, including voting systems, voter registration software, voting booths, ballots, election supplies, etc. Members are able to visit with the providers of those goods and services at the national conference where members can learn what is available in the latest technology and election products.

With more than 1,000 members nationwide, The Election Center has the largest number of the state and local election and voter registration administrators as members of any elections related organization in America.

THE ELECTION CENTER
EIN # 54-1578880
FORM 990
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005
SUPPORTING SCHEDULE # 3

	BEGINNING OF YEAR	END OF YEAR
FORM 990 PAGE 3 LINE 54 – INVESTMENTS: CENTURY MANAGEMENT	\$ <u>818,025</u>	\$ <u>921,583</u>

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)

Form 990-T corporations requesting an automatic 6-month extension—check this box and complete Part I only ▶

All other corporations (including Form 990-C filers) must use Form 7004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns. Partnerships, REMICs, and trusts must use Form 8736 to request an extension of time to file Form 1065, 1066, or 1041.

Electronic Filing (e-file). Form 8868 can be filed electronically if you want a 3-month automatic extension of time to file one of the returns noted below (6 months for corporate Form 990-T filers). However, you cannot file it electronically if you want the additional (not automatic) 3-month extension, instead you must submit the fully completed signed page 2 (Part II) of Form 8868. For more details on the electronic filing of this form, visit www.irs.gov/efile.

Type or print	Name of Exempt Organization THE ELECTION CENTER	Employer identification number 54-1578880
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 12543 WESTELLA, SUITE # 100	
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions HOUSTON, TEXAS 77077	

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

- | | | |
|--|---|------------------------------------|
| <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 |

• The books are in the care of ▶ MR. DOUG LEWIS

Telephone No. ▶ 281-293-0101 FAX No. ▶ 281-293-0453

- 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 **Form 990-T corporation**) extension of time until _____, 20 __, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for:

- ▶ calendar year 20 __ or
- ▶ tax year beginning _____, 20 __, and ending _____, 20 __.

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. _____ \$

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. _____ \$

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. _____ \$

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.

- 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—Must File Original and One Copy.

POSTMARK DATE AUG 15 2006 ENVELOPE

Type or print File by the extended due date for filing the return See instructions	Name of Exempt Organization THE ELECTION CENTER	Employer identification number 54-1578880
	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P O box, see instructions 12543 WESTELLA, SUITE # 100	For IRS use only
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code For a foreign address, see instructions HOUSTON, TEXAS 77077	

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

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

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

- The books are in the care of **MR. DOUG LEWIS**
Telephone No. **281-293-0101** FAX No **281-293-0453**
- 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**, 20**06**
- 5 For calendar year **2005**, or other tax year beginning _____, 20____, and ending _____, 20____.
- 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 **SEE ATTACHED.**

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 \$ **0.00**

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 \$ **0.00**

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 \$ **0.00**

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 **[Handwritten Signature]** Title _____ Date **08-15-2006**

Notice to Applicant—To Be Completed by the IRS

- We **have** approved this application. Please attach this form to the organization's return
- We **have not** approved this application. However, we have granted a 10-day grace period from the later of the date shown below or the due date of the organization's return (including any prior extensions). This grace period is considered to be a valid extension of time for elections otherwise required to be made on a timely return. Please attach this form to the organization's return
- We **have not** approved this application. After considering the reasons stated in item 7, we cannot grant your request for an extension of time to file. We are not granting a 10-day grace period
- We cannot consider this application because it was filed after the extended due date of the return for which an extension was requested
- Other _____

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