

Form **990-EZ**

# Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No 1545-1150

2009

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Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code  
(except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)  
▶ Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds and controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990. All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$500,000 and total assets less than \$1,250,000 at the end of the year may use this form.  
▶ The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

**A For the 2009 calendar year, or tax year beginning** \_\_\_\_\_, **2009, and ending** \_\_\_\_\_, **20**

<b>B</b> Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.	<b>C Name of organization</b> <b>Citizens for Responsible Growth in New Castle County, Inc.</b> Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite <b>500 Delaware Avenue 1500</b> City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 <b>Wilmington, DE 19801-1494</b>	<b>D Employer identification number</b> <b>26-3257377</b>  <b>E Telephone number</b> <b>301 658-1140</b>  <b>F Group Exemption Number</b> ▶
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• 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:** ▶ [www.CRGinNewCastleCounty.com](http://www.CRGinNewCastleCounty.com)

**J Tax-exempt status** (check only one) —  501(c) ( 4 ) ◀ (insert no )  4947(a)(1) or  527

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

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

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

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

	<b>1</b> Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received . . . . .		<b>1</b>	31,126.00
	<b>2</b> Program service revenue including government fees and contracts . . . . .		<b>2</b>	-0-
	<b>3</b> Membership dues and assessments . . . . .		<b>3</b>	-0-
	<b>4</b> Investment income . . . . .		<b>4</b>	-0-
Revenue	<b>5a</b> Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory . . . . .	<b>5a</b>		-0-
	<b>b</b> Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses . . . . .	<b>5b</b>		-0-
	<b>c</b> Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)		<b>5c</b>	-0-
	<b>6</b> Special events and activities (complete applicable parts of Schedule G) If any amount is from gaming, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>			
	<b>a</b> Gross revenue (not including \$ 31,126.00 of contributions reported on line 1) . . . . .	<b>6a</b>		-0-
	<b>b</b> Less direct expenses other than fundraising expenses . . . . .	<b>6b</b>		-0-
<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (Subtract line 6b from line 6a) . . . . .		<b>6c</b>	-0-	
	<b>7a</b> Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances . . . . .	<b>7a</b>		-0-
	<b>b</b> Less: cost of goods sold . . . . .	<b>7b</b>		-0-
	<b>c</b> Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a) . . . . .		<b>7c</b>	-0-
	<b>8</b> Other revenue (describe ▶ _____ )		<b>8</b>	-0-
	<b>9 Total revenue.</b> Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8 . . . . .		<b>9</b>	31,326.00
Expenses	<b>10</b> Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule) . . . . .		<b>10</b>	-0-
	<b>11</b> Benefits paid to or for members . . . . .		<b>11</b>	-0-
	<b>12</b> Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits . . . . .		<b>12</b>	-0-
	<b>13</b> Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors . . . . .		<b>13</b>	45,541.23
	<b>14</b> Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance . . . . .		<b>14</b>	500.00
	<b>15</b> Printing, publications, postage, and shipping . . . . .		<b>15</b>	4,280.00
	<b>16</b> Other expenses (describe ▶ education of public about responsible development )		<b>16</b>	1,052.21
	<b>17 Total expenses.</b> Add lines 10 through 16 . . . . .		<b>17</b>	51,373.44
Net Assets	<b>18</b> Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9) . . . . .		<b>18</b>	(20,047.44)
	<b>19</b> Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end of year value reported on prior year's return) . . . . .		<b>19</b>	78,223.60
	<b>20</b> Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation) . . . . .		<b>20</b>	
	<b>21</b> Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 18 through 20 . . . . .		<b>21</b>	58,176.16

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

	(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
<b>22</b> Cash, savings, and investments . . . . .	78,223.60	<b>22</b> 58,176.16
<b>23</b> Land and buildings . . . . .	-0-	<b>23</b> -0-
<b>24</b> Other assets (describe ▶ _____ )	-0-	<b>24</b> -0-
<b>25 Total assets</b> . . . . .	78,223.60	<b>25</b> 58,176.16
<b>26 Total liabilities</b> (describe ▶ _____ )		<b>26</b>
<b>27 Net assets or fund balances</b> (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21) . . . . .	78,223.60	<b>27</b> 58,176.16

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<b>Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments</b> (See the instructions for Part III.)		<b>Expenses</b>
What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? <u>promotion of social welfare</u>		(Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts, optional for others )
Describe what was achieved in carrying out the organization's exempt purposes. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title.		
<b>28</b>	Torti Gallas, a nationally acclaimed land planner and architectural designer, was hired to educate the public and New Castle County Dept. of Land Use about attractive development. They gave 2 public meetings and attended hearings on proposed developments. (Grants \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>28a</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>19,817.95</b></span>
<b>29</b>	Orth-Rodgers traffic engineers collected data on traffic around 2 proposed developments, and developed a digital program showing the traffic problems. They attended public meetings and worked with the DE Dept. of Transportation (Grants \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>29a</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>19,393.28</b></span>
<b>30</b>	Newsletters written, emailed, and published to website; neighborhoods organized to attend New Castle County Planning Board meetings and voice their opinions. (Grants \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>30a</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>4,280.00</b></span>
<b>31</b>	Other program services (attach schedule) . . . . . (Grants \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>31a</b>
<b>32</b>	<b>Total program service expenses</b> (add lines 28a through 31a) . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>32</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>43,491.23</b></span>

**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
Patricia W. Hobbs P. O. Box 240, Montchanin, DE 19710	President      12 hrs.	-0-		
Eleanor S. Maroney 401 Twaddell Mill Road, Wilmington, DE 19807	Secretary/Treas.      10 hrs.	-0-		
Mark Chura P. O. Box 2095, Wilmington, DE 19899	Exec Director      12 hrs.	-0-		
Richard P. Beck 108 Haywood Road, Wilmington, DE 19807	Director      12 hours	-0-		
William Rowe 3917 Heather Drive, Wilmington, DE 19807	Director      12 hours	-0-		

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

		Yes	No
<b>33</b>	Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity . . . . .		✓
<b>34</b>	Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes . . . . .		✓
<b>35</b>	If the organization had income from business activities, such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a (among others), but not reported on Form 990-T, attach a statement explaining why the organization did not report the income on Form 990-T.		
<b>a</b>	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more or was it subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements? . . . . .		✓
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on <b>Form 990-T</b> for this year? . . . . .		
<b>36</b>	Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N . . . . .		✓
<b>37a</b>	Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions ▶ <b>37a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Did the organization file <b>Form 1120-POL</b> for this year? . . . . .		✓
<b>38a</b>	Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the period covered by this return? . . . . .		✓
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved . . . . . <b>38b</b>		
<b>39</b>	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:		
<b>a</b>	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 . . . . . <b>39a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities . . . . . <b>39b</b>		
<b>40a</b>	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 ▶ _____ ; section 4912 ▶ _____ , section 4955 ▶ _____		
<b>b</b>	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or is it aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I . . . . .		✓
<b>c</b>	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 . . . . . ▶ _____ -0-		
<b>d</b>	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization . . . . . ▶ _____ -0-		
<b>e</b>	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. . . . .		✓
<b>41</b>	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed. ▶ _____		
<b>42a</b>	The organization's books are in care of ▶ <u>Eleanor Maroney</u> Telephone no. ▶ <u>302 658-1140</u> Located at ▶ <u>401 Twaddell Mill Road, Wilmington, DE</u> ZIP + 4 ▶ <u>19807-1231</u>		
<b>b</b>	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? . . . . .	Yes	No
<b>42b</b>			✓
	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ _____ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for <b>Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts</b> .		
<b>c</b>	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: ▶ _____		
<b>43</b>	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of <b>Form 1041</b> —Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year . . . . . ▶ <b>43</b>   <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>44</b>	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ . . . . .		✓
<b>45</b>	Is any related organization a controlled entity of the organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ . . . . .		✓

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

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

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

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

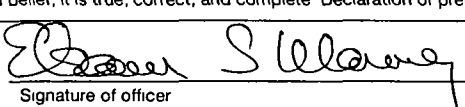
51 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

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

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

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, and believe, it is true, correct, and complete Declaration of preparer (other than the taxpayer) is based on all the information provided to the preparer after reasonable inquiry.

**Sign Here**

  
Signature of officer

**Eleanor Maroney, Treasurer**  
Type or print name and title

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Preparer's signature

Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions.