

Form **990**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

EXTENDED TO MAY 16, 2022

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

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

▶ Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.

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OMB No. 1545-0047

2020

Open to Public Inspection

A For the 2020 calendar year, or tax year beginning **JUL 1, 2020** and ending **JUN 30, 2021**

B Check if applicable:

☐ Address change

☐ Name change

☐ Initial return

☐ Final return/terminated

☐ Amended return

☐ Application pending

C Name of organization
MISSOULA ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP

Doing business as

Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
PO BOX 7457

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
MISSOULA, MT 59807

F Name and address of principal officer:**GRANT KIER**
SAME AS C ABOVE

D Employer identification number
27-3994460

E Telephone number
406-541-6461

G Gross receipts \$ **1,114,091.**

H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? ☐ Yes ☒ No

H(b) Are all subordinates included? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If "No," attach a list. See instructions

H(c) Group exemption number ▶

I Tax-exempt status: ☐ 501(c)(3) ☒ 501(c) (**6**) ◀ (insert no.) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527

J Website: ▶ **WWW.MISSOULAPARTNERSHIP.COM**

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

L Year of formation: **2010** **M** State of legal domicile: **MT**

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance

Revenue

Expenses

Net Assets or Fund Balances

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: **SUPPORTING SUSTAINABLE BUSINESS GROWTH AND QUALITY JOB CREATION THROUGHOUT MISSOULA COUNTY.**

2 Check this box ☐ 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	20
4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	20
5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2020 (Part V, line 2a)	5	5
6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	220
7 a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0.
b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, Part I, line 11	7b	0.

	Prior Year	Current Year
8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	93,389.	674,873.
9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	477,861.	437,991.
10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	1.	2.
11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	444.	1,225.
12 Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	571,695.	1,114,091.
13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	0.	0.
14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	0.	0.
15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	481,784.	538,500.
16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0.	0.
b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 0.		
17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	260,756.	279,924.
18 Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	742,540.	818,424.
19 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	-170,845.	295,667.

	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	634,348.	1,026,718.
21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	48,391.	145,094.
22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	585,957.	881,624.

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

▶ **GRANT KIER, PRESIDENT & CEO**

Type or print name and title

Date

Paid Preparer Use Only

Print/Type preparer's name
DREW RIEKER, CPA

Firm's name ▶ **JUNKERMIER, CLARK, CAMPANELLA, STEVENS PC**

Firm's address ▶ **P.O. BOX 16237**
MISSOULA, MT 59808

Preparer's signature

Date

Check if self-employed ☐

PTIN **P01372762**

Firm's EIN ▶ **81-0348775**

Phone no. **406-549-4148**

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

☒ Yes ☐ No

Part III Statement of Program Service AccomplishmentsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III ☒ X**1** Briefly describe the organization's mission:

THE MISSOULA ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP WORKS COLLABORATIVELY AND STRATEGICALLY TO FACILITATE INCREASED PROSPERITY THROUGH BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT WHILE ENHANCING THE BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT AND QUALITY OF LIFE IN OUR COMMUNITY.

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.**4a** (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)**BUSINESS RETENTION AND EXPANSION PROGRAM:**

THE MISSOULA ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP'S (MEP) BUSINESS RETENTION AND EXPANSION PROGRAM SUPPORTS MISSOULA'S EXISTING BUSINESSES IN SUCCESSFULLY ADDING JOBS THAT PAY ABOVE THE CURRENT MEDIAN WAGE. MEP MET WITH 47 AREA BUSINESSES TO IDENTIFY WAYS TO SUPPORT THEIR GROWTH. IN PARTNERSHIP WITH MISSOULA COUNTY, MEP ADMINISTERED THE BIG SKY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TRUST FUND JOB CREATION GRANT PROGRAM TO ASSIST COMPANIES WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF HIGH WAGE JOBS. IN FISCAL YEAR 2021, MEP SECURED \$506,000 IN GRANTS TO SUPPORT 100 JOBS CREATED AT FIVE MISSOULA COMPANIES AND \$155,650 IN PLANNING GRANTS TO SUPPORT SIX LOCAL PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS.

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)**BUSINESS ATTRACTION PROGRAM:**

MEP WORKS WITH KEY STRATEGIC PARTNERS TO ATTRACT NEW BUSINESSES TO MISSOULA. BUSINESS ATTRACTION SUCCESSES BENEFIT NOT ONLY THE EMPLOYEES WHO SECURE HIGH-WAGE JOBS, BUT ALL OF MISSOULA. HIGHER WAGES FOR MISSOULA'S WORKFORCE MEAN MORE EXPENDABLE INCOME AND AN INCREASE IN CAPITAL SPENDING AT MISSOULA BUSINESSES. MEP RESPONDED TO MORE THAN 7 INITIAL INQUIRIES FROM BUSINESSES CONSIDERING RELOCATION AND MEP CONTINUES TO WORK WITH SEVERAL BUSINESSES WITH CONTINUED INTEREST.

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)**BIOSCIENCE CLUSTER TALENT DEVELOPMENT:**

MEP LEADS THE MONTANA BIOSCIENCE CLUSTER INITIATIVE TALENT DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS. THE PROGRAM IS COMPRISED OF STAKEHOLDERS FROM THE PRIVATE SECTOR, UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA, MISSOULA ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP, TRADE ASSOCIATIONS, AND OTHERS TO PROVIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE SUPPORT, TRAINING, AND MENTORING TO NEW AND ESTABLISHED BIOSCIENCE BUSINESSES, ENTREPRENEURS, AND STUDENTS. IN FISCAL YEAR 2021, THE CLUSTER INITIATIVE WAS AWARDED AN ADDITIONAL YEAR OF FUNDING FROM THE SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION. MEP COMMISSIONED AND HELPED CONDUCT A WORKFORCE STUDY FOR MISSOULA COUNTY, WHICH PROVIDED DETAILED INFORMATION ON KEY TRENDS AND OPPORTUNITIES RELATED TO WORKFORCE AND ITS OVERALL IMPACT ON OUR ECONOMY.

4d Other program services (Describe on Schedule O.)

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

4e Total program service expenses

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule A</i>		X
2 Is the organization required to complete <i>Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors</i> ?	X	
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I</i>		X
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II</i>		
5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III</i>		X
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I</i>		X
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II</i>		X
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III</i>		X
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV</i>		X
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in donor-restricted endowments or in quasi endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V</i>		X
11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable.		
a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI</i>	X	
b Did the organization report an amount for investments - other securities in Part X, line 12, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII</i>		X
c Did the organization report an amount for investments - program related in Part X, line 13, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII</i>		X
d Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX</i>		X
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i>	X	
f Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i>		X
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII</i>		X
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional</i>		X
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i>		X
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		X
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV</i>		X
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV</i>		X
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV</i>		X
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I</i>		X
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II</i>		X
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III</i>		X
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i>		X
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i>		X

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

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

Note: All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O

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

	Yes	No
1a Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable		
b Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable		
c Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	X	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance (continued)

		Yes	No
2a Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	2a 5		
b If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note: If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions)	2b	X	
3a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	3a		X
b If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation on Schedule O	3b		
4a At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?	4a		X
b If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).			
5a Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5a		X
b Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5b		X
c If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	5c		
6a Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?	6a		X
b If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	6b		
7 Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).			
a Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?	7a		
b If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7b		
c Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7c		
d If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7d		
e Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7e		
f Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7f		
g If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7g		
h If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	7h		
8 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	8		
9 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.			
a Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?	9a		
b Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	9b		
10 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:			
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a		
b Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b		
11 Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter:			
a Gross income from members or shareholders	11a		
b Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	11b		
12a Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12a		
b If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b		
13 Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.			
a Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? Note: See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.	13a		
b Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans	13b		
c Enter the amount of reserves on hand	13c		
14a Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14a		X
b If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation on Schedule O	14b		
15 Is the organization subject to the section 4960 tax on payment(s) of more than \$1,000,000 in remuneration or excess parachute payment(s) during the year? If "Yes," see instructions and file Form 4720, Schedule N.	15		X
16 Is the organization an educational institution subject to the section 4968 excise tax on net investment income? If "Yes," complete Form 4720, Schedule O.	16		X

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes on Schedule O. See instructions.

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

☒**Section A. Governing Body and Management**

	1a	1b	2	3	4	5	6	7a	7b	8a	8b	9	Yes	No
1a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year	20													
If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain on Schedule O.														
b Enter the number of voting members included on line 1a, above, who are independent		20												
2 Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?														X
3 Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors, trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?														X
4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?														X
5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?														X
6 Did the organization have members or stockholders?														X
7a Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?														X
b Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?														X
8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:														
a The governing body?										X				
b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?										X				
9 Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses on Schedule O														X

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

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

Section C. Disclosure

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

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

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

20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records **JCCS, P.C. - 406-549-4148**
2620 CONNERY WAY, MISSOULA, MT 59808

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

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
 - List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."
 - List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
 - List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
 - List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- See instructions for the order in which to list the persons above.

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

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) GRANT KIER PRESIDENT & CEO	40.00			X				136,136.	0.	12,397.
(2) DEBBIE JOHNSTON CHAIR	1.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(3) JASON WILLIAMS VICE CHAIR	1.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(4) ANNELISE HEDAHLL TREASURER	1.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(5) JACK LAWSON SECRETARY	1.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(6) SCOTT BURKE DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(7) JOHN ENGEN DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(8) DAVE STROHMAIER DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(9) CHARLIE BEATON DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(10) SETH BODNAR DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(11) NICK CHECOTA DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(12) ANDREA DAVIS DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(13) JOYCE DOMBROUSKI DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(14) JEFF FEE DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(15) MARK HAYDEN DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(16) CHRSTINA HENDERSON DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(17) DOUG JACKSON DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.

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

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(18) ALAN MCCORMICK DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(19) JASON RICE DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(20) TOM SEVERSON DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(21) SUE WILLIAMS DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(22) PAUL GLADEN EX-OFFICIO DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(23) BRYAN VON LOSSBERG EX-OFFICIO DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(24) ROBERT WATSON EX-OFFICIO DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(25) GEORGE LAMBROS DIRECTOR EMERITUS	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(26) DEAN FRENCH FORMER TREASURER	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
1b Subtotal								136,136.	0.	12,397.
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A								0.	0.	0.
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)								136,136.	0.	12,397.

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization **1**

- 3** Did the organization list any **former** officer, director, trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual **3**
- 4** For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual **4**
- 5** Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person **5**

	Yes	No
3		X
4		X
5		X

Section B. Independent Contractors

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

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
NONE		

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

SEE PART VII, SECTION A CONTINUATION SHEETS

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

				(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512 - 514
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1 a	Federated campaigns	1a				
	b	Membership dues	1b				
	c	Fundraising events	1c				
	d	Related organizations	1d				
	e	Government grants (contributions)	1e	90,324.			
	f	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above ...	1f	584,549.			
	g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f	1g	\$			
	h	Total. Add lines 1a-1f		674,873.			
Program Service Revenue	2 a	PROGRAM REVENUE	Business Code	900099	437,991.	437,991.	
	b						
	c						
	d						
	e						
	f	All other program service revenue	900099				
	g	Total. Add lines 2a-2f		437,991.			
Other Revenue	3	Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		2.			2.
	4	Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds					
	5	Royalties					
	6 a	Gross rents	(i) Real	(ii) Personal			
	b	Less: rental expenses					
	c	Rental income or (loss)					
	d	Net rental income or (loss)					
	7 a	Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other			
	b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses					
	c	Gain or (loss)					
	d	Net gain or (loss)					
	8 a	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18					
	b	Less: direct expenses					
	c	Net income or (loss) from fundraising events					
	9 a	Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19					
	b	Less: direct expenses					
	c	Net income or (loss) from gaming activities					
10 a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances						
b	Less: cost of goods sold						
c	Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory						
Miscellaneous Revenue	11 a	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	Business Code	900099	1,225.	1,225.	
	b						
	c						
	d	All other revenue					
	e	Total. Add lines 11a-11d		1,225.			
12	Total revenue. See instructions		1,114,091.	439,216.	0.	2.	

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

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

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

	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.				
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21 ...				
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22				
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	151,944.			
6 Compensation not included above to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages	296,601.			
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	19,670.			
9 Other employee benefits	33,676.			
10 Payroll taxes	36,609.			
11 Fees for services (nonemployees):				
a Management	34,507.			
b Legal				
c Accounting	24,002.			
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees				
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Sch O.)	73,679.			
12 Advertising and promotion	8,064.			
13 Office expenses	3,569.			
14 Information technology	6,000.			
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	57,155.			
17 Travel	3,247.			
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials ...				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings				
20 Interest	278.			
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	16,693.			
23 Insurance	5,776.			
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses on line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a DUES, SUBSCRIPTIONS, LI	26,042.			
b DONATIONS	10,500.			
c EQUIPMENT	6,061.			
d MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE	2,046.			
e All other expenses	2,305.			
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	818,424.			
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation.				

Check here ☐ if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)

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

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash - non-interest-bearing	225,780.	1	377,011.
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	10,001.	2	10,003.
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	290,203.	3	552,963.
	4 Accounts receivable, net	60,145.	4	37,149.
	5 Loans and other receivables from any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons		5	
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	500.	9	6,789.
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 88,806.		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 51,103.	10c 43,619.	37,703.
	11 Investments - publicly traded securities		11	
	12 Investments - other securities. See Part IV, line 11		12	
	13 Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	4,100.	15	5,100.
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 33)	634,348.	16	1,026,718.	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	48,391.	17	55,021.
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue		19	
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 Loans and other payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D	0.	25	90,073.
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	48,391.	26	145,094.
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here ☒ and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.			
	27 Net assets without donor restrictions	295,754.	27	241,394.
	28 Net assets with donor restrictions	290,203.	28	640,230.
	Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here ☐ and complete lines 29 through 33.			
	29 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		29	
	30 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		30	
	31 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		31	
	32 Total net assets or fund balances	585,957.	32	881,624.
33 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	634,348.	33	1,026,718.	

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

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	1,114,091.
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	818,424.
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	295,667.
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))	4	585,957.
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain on Schedule O)	9	0.
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 32, column (B))	10	881,624.

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

	Yes	No
1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: ☐ Cash ☒ Accrual ☐ Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O.		
2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? _____ If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: ☐ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separate basis	2a	X
b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? _____ If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: ☐ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separate basis	2b	X
c If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? _____ If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain on Schedule O.	2c	
3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133? _____	3a	X
b If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why on Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits _____	3b	

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Schedule B(Form 990, 990-EZ,
or 990-PF)Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Schedule of Contributors**

- ▶ Attach to Form 990, Form 990-EZ, or Form 990-PF.
▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for the latest information.

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Name of the organization

MISSOULA ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP

Employer identification number

27-3994460

Organization type (check one):

Filers of:**Section:**

Form 990 or 990-EZ

☒ 501(c)(6) (enter number) organization☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation☐ 527 political organization

Form 990-PF

☐ 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation☐ 501(c)(3) taxable private foundationCheck if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**.**Note:** Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.**General Rule**

- ☒ For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, contributions totaling \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II. See instructions for determining a contributor's total contributions.

Special Rules

- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33 1/3% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of (1) \$5,000; or (2) 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h; or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.
- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 exclusively for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I (entering "N/A" in column (b) instead of the contributor name and address), II, and III.
- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Don't complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received *nonexclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year ▶ \$ _____

Caution: An organization that isn't covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules doesn't file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF), but it **must** answer "No" on Part IV, line 2, of its Form 990; or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ or on its Form 990-PF, Part I, line 2, to certify that it doesn't meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

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MISSOULA ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP**27-3994460****Part I Contributors** (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
<u>1</u>	<u>N/A</u> 	\$ <u>25,000.</u>	Person ☒ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
<u>2</u>	<u>N/A</u> 	\$ <u>125,000.</u>	Person ☒ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
<u>3</u>	<u>N/A</u> 	\$ <u>15,000.</u>	Person ☒ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
<u>4</u>	<u>N/A</u> 	\$ <u>225,000.</u>	Person ☒ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
<u>5</u>	<u>N/A</u> 	\$ <u>60,000.</u>	Person ☒ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
<u>6</u>	<u>N/A</u> 	\$ <u>125,000.</u>	Person ☒ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
7	N/A	\$ 9,746.	Person ☒ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
8	N/A	\$ 87,878.	Person ☒ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
		\$	Person ☐ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
		\$	Person ☐ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
		\$	Person ☐ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
		\$	Person ☐ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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MISSOULA ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP**27-3994460****Part II Noncash Property** (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part II if additional space is needed.

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions.)	(d) Date received
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	

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Part III Exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions to organizations described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) that total more than \$1,000 for the year from any one contributor. Complete columns (a) through (e) and the following line entry. For organizations completing Part III, enter the total of exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$1,000 or less for the year. (Enter this info. once.) ▶ \$ _____
Use duplicate copies of Part III if additional space is needed.

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee
	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee
	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee
	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee
	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee

SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements

▶ **Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.**
▶ **Attach to Form 990.**

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Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year		
2 Aggregate value of contributions to (during year)		
3 Aggregate value of grants from (during year)		
4 Aggregate value at end of year		
5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control?	☐ Yes	☐ No
6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit?	☐ Yes	☐ No

Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply).
☐ Preservation of land for public use (for example, recreation or education) ☐ Preservation of a historically important land area
☐ Protection of natural habitat ☐ Preservation of a certified historic structure
☐ Preservation of open space

2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year.

	Held at the End of the Tax Year
a Total number of conservation easements	2a
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	2b
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	2c
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 7/25/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register	2d

3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ▶

4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ▶

5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds?

☐ Yes ☐ No

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ \$

8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)?

☐ Yes ☐ No

9 In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements.

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under FASB ASC 958, not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide in Part XIII the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items.

b If the organization elected, as permitted under FASB ASC 958, to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items:

(i) Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1

▶ \$

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X

▶ \$

2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under FASB ASC 958 relating to these items:

a Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1

▶ \$

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X

▶ \$

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets (continued)

3 Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that make significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):

- a** ☐ Public exhibition **d** ☐ Loan or exchange program
b ☐ Scholarly research **e** ☐ Other _____
c ☐ Preservation for future generations

4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII.

5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table:

	Amount
c Beginning balance	1c
d Additions during the year	1d
e Distributions during the year	1e
f Ending balance	1f

2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided on Part XIII ☐

Part V Endowment Funds. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance					
b Contributions					
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance					

2 Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:

- a** Board designated or quasi-endowment ☐ %
b Permanent endowment ☐ %
c Term endowment ☐ %

The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%.

3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:

- (i)** Unrelated organizations
(ii) Related organizations

b If "Yes" on line 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? ☐

	Yes	No
3a(i)		
3a(ii)		
3b		

4 Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment		88,806.	51,103.	37,703.
e Other				
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c.)				37,703.

Part VII Investments - Other Securities.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely held equity interests		
(3) Other		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.) ▶		

Part VIII Investments - Program Related.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
Total. (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 13.) ▶		

Part IX Other Assets.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 15.) ▶	

Part X Other Liabilities.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	
(2) PPP LOAN	90,073.
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25.) ▶	

90,073.

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions. In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FASB ASC 740. Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII... ☐

Part XI	Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return.
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Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements		1	
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:			
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a		
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b		
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d		
e	Add lines 2a through 2d		2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a		
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b		
c	Add lines 4a and 4b		4c	
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)		5	

Part XII	Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return.
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Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements		1	
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:			
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a		
b	Prior year adjustments	2b		
c	Other losses	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d		
e	Add lines 2a through 2d		2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a		
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b		
c	Add lines 4a and 4b		4c	
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)		5	

Part XIII Supplemental Information.

Provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, lines 1a and 4; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b; Part V, line 4; Part X, line 2; Part XI, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

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SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

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

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for the latest information.

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2020

Open to Public
Inspection

Name of the organization

MISSOULA ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP

Employer identification number

27-3994460

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4D, OTHER PROGRAM SERVICES:

REAL ESTATE AND COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT: AS A STRATEGIC INITIATIVE,

MISSOULA ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP WORKS TO MAXIMIZE THE POTENTIAL OF

MISSOULA'S COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE ASSETS AND DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

BY ENGAGING DIFFERENT SECTORS, STAKEHOLDERS, AND THE PUBLIC TO LEVERAGE

COLLECTIVE ASSETS AND ALIGN COLLECTIVE DECISIONS

COVID-19 RESPONSE: MEP CONTINUED TO LEAD THE MISSOULA COUNTY ECONOMIC

RECOVERY TASK FORCE WHICH PULLED TOGETHER MEMBERS FROM PUBLIC, PRIVATE,

AND NON-GOVERNMENTAL SECTORS TO QUICKLY RESPOND TO THE ECONOMIC

CHALLENGES PRESENTED BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC.

BIG SKY BUSINESS INSIGHT SUMMIT (BIG SKY BIS): IN FISCAL YEAR 2021, MEP

HOSTED THE FIRST ANNUAL BIG SKY BIS, A MULTI-DAY CONFERENCE THAT

CONVENES CROSS-SECTOR LEADERS TO DEFINE BIG PROBLEMS, IDENTIFY

MONTANA'S STRENGTHS TO ADDRESS THEM, AND PROVIDE INSIGHTS ON HOW

SOLUTIONS CAN GROW HIGHER PAYING JOBS, STRENGTHEN OUR STATEWIDE

ECONOMY, AND IMPROVE OUR OVERALL QUALITY OF LIFE. HELD VIRTUALLY, THIS

EVENT LOOKED AT THE CHALLENGES PRESENTED BY COVID-19 AND MONTANA'S

OPPORTUNITIES TO SOLVE THEM AND GROW STRONGER IN THE PROCESS AND

FEATURED DISTINGUISHED LEADERS IN THE FIELDS OF BIOSCIENCE, HEALTH, AND

TECHNOLOGY.

COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY: MEP CONVENED A STEERING

COMMITTEE AND MULTIPLE FOCUS GROUPS TO DEVELOP A STRATEGIC DOCUMENT

THAT WILL GUIDE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN MISSOULA COUNTY OVER THE NEXT

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FIVE YEARS. A COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY (CEDs) IS A MEASURABLE AND ACTIONABLE PLAN DEVELOPED BY A DIVERSE WORKGROUP OF LOCAL REPRESENTATIVES FROM PRIVATE, PUBLIC, AND NONPROFIT SECTORS TO IDENTIFY REGIONAL PRIORITIES FOR ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT. THIS PROCESS INVOLVED A HIGH LEVEL OF PLANNING AROUND STEERING COMMITTEE AND FOCUS GROUP MEETINGS TO MAXIMIZE PARTICIPANT TIME AND ENGAGEMENT.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11B:

THE TREASURER AND CEO REVIEW THE FORM 990 AND A COPY IS MADE AVAILABLE TO THE BOARD PRIOR TO FILING.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C:

THE ORGANIZATION DISCLOSES AND ENFORCES COMPLIANCE WITH THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15A:

AN INDEPENDENT CONSULTING FIRM CONDUCTED THE COMPENSATION SURVEY AND HELPED DETERMINE THE CEO'S COMPENSATION PACKAGE.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19:

MEP'S BYLAWS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE ORGANIZATION'S WEBSITE AND ITS GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, POLICIES, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON REQUEST.

Form **8879-EO****IRS e-file Signature Authorization
for an Exempt Organization**

OMB No. 1545-0047

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue ServiceFor calendar year 2020, or fiscal year beginning JUL 1, 2020, and ending JUN 30, 2021**2020**▶ **Do not send to the IRS. Keep for your records.**
▶ **Go to www.irs.gov/Form8879EO for the latest information.**

Name of exempt organization or person subject to tax

Taxpayer identification number

MISSOULA ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP**27-3994460**

Name and title of officer or person subject to tax

GRANT KIER**PRESIDENT & CEO****Part I Type of Return and Return Information** (Whole Dollars Only)

Check the box for the return for which you are using this Form 8879-EO and enter the applicable amount, if any, from the return. If you check the box on line **1a**, **2a**, **3a**, **4a**, **5a**, **6a**, or **7a** below, and the amount on that line for the return being filed with this form was blank, then leave line **1b**, **2b**, **3b**, **4b**, **5b**, **6b**, or **7b**, whichever is applicable, blank (do not enter -0-). But, if you entered -0- on the return, then enter -0- on the applicable line below. **Do not** complete more than one line in Part I.

1a Form 990 check here ▶ ☒	b Total revenue, if any (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1b <u>1,114,091.</u>
2a Form 990-EZ check here ▶ ☐	b Total revenue, if any (Form 990-EZ, line 9)	2b _____
3a Form 1120-POL check here ▶ ☐	b Total tax (Form 1120-POL, line 22)	3b _____
4a Form 990-PF check here ▶ ☐	b Tax based on investment income (Form 990-PF, Part VI, line 5)	4b _____
5a Form 8868 check here ▶ ☐	b Balance due (Form 8868, line 3c)	5b _____
6a Form 990-T check here ▶ ☐	b Total tax (Form 990-T, Part III, line 4)	6b _____
7a Form 4720 check here ▶ ☐	b Total tax (Form 4720, Part III, line 1)	7b _____

Part II Declaration and Signature Authorization of Officer or Person Subject to Tax

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that ☒ I am an officer of the above organization or ☐ I am a person subject to tax with respect to (name of organization) _____, (EIN) _____ and that I have examined a copy of the 2020 electronic return and accompanying schedules and statements, and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are true, correct, and complete. I further declare that the amount in Part I above is the amount shown on the copy of the electronic return. I consent to allow my intermediate service provider, transmitter, or electronic return originator (ERO) to send the return to the IRS and to receive from the IRS (a) an acknowledgement of receipt or reason for rejection of the transmission, (b) the reason for any delay in processing the return or refund, and (c) the date of any refund. If applicable, I authorize the U.S. Treasury and its designated Financial Agent to initiate an electronic funds withdrawal (direct debit) entry to the financial institution account indicated in the tax preparation software for payment of the federal taxes owed on this return, and the financial institution to debit the entry to this account. To revoke a payment, I must contact the U.S. Treasury Financial Agent at 1-888-353-4537 no later than 2 business days prior to the payment (settlement) date. I also authorize the financial institutions involved in the processing of the electronic payment of taxes to receive confidential information necessary to answer inquiries and resolve issues related to the payment. I have selected a personal identification number (PIN) as my signature for the electronic return and, if applicable, the consent to electronic funds withdrawal.

PIN: check one box only

☒ I authorize JUNKERMIER, CLARK, CAMPANELLA, STEVENS PC to enter my PIN 22404
ERO firm name Enter five numbers, but do not enter all zeros

as my signature on the tax year 2020 electronically filed return. If I have indicated within this return that a copy of the return is being filed with a state agency(ies) regulating charities as part of the IRS Fed/State program, I also authorize the aforementioned ERO to enter my PIN on the return's disclosure consent screen.

☐ As an officer or person subject to tax with respect to the organization, I will enter my PIN as my signature on the tax year 2020 electronically filed return. If I have indicated within this return that a copy of the return is being filed with a state agency(ies) regulating charities as part of the IRS Fed/State program, I will enter my PIN on the return's disclosure consent screen.

Signature of officer or person subject to tax ▶

Date ▶

Part III Certification and Authentication

ERO's EFIN/PIN. Enter your six-digit electronic filing identification number (EFIN) followed by your five-digit self-selected PIN.

81044801040**Do not enter all zeros**

I certify that the above numeric entry is my PIN, which is my signature on the 2020 electronically filed return indicated above. I confirm that I am submitting this return in accordance with the requirements of **Pub. 4163**, Modernized e-File (MeF) Information for Authorized IRS e-file Providers for Business Returns.

ERO's signature ▶

Date ▶

ERO Must Retain This Form - See Instructions
Do Not Submit This Form to the IRS Unless Requested To Do So

LHA For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see instructions.

Form **8879-EO** (2020)