

Form **990**

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax
Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

OMB No. 1545-0047

2017

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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A For the 2017 calendar year, or tax year beginning **JUL 1, 2017** and ending **JUN 30, 2018**

B Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	C Name of organization THE CONVERSATION US, INC. Doing business as THE CONVERSATION Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite 89 SOUTH STREET 202 City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code BOSTON, MA 02111	D Employer identification number 46-0906774 E Telephone number 781-929-8361
F Name and address of principal officer: THOMAS FIEDLER 68 BAY STATE ROAD, BOSTON, MA 02445		G Gross receipts \$ 2,329,277. H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No H(b) Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list. (see instructions) H(c) Group exemption number ▶
I Tax-exempt status: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) () (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527		
J Website: ▶ THECONVERSATION.COM/US		
K Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other ▶		L Year of formation: 2012 M State of legal domicile: MA

Part I Summary

1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: THE CONVERSATION (TC) IS A UNIQUE FORM OF GLOBAL, BORDERLESS AND INDEPENDENT JOURNALISM THAT		
2	Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.		
3	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	14
4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	14
5	Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2017 (Part V, line 2a)	5	31
6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	0
7a	Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0.
7b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	0.
8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year	Current Year
9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	3,582,933.	2,311,957.
10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	3,367.	6,907.
11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	4,308.	10,413.
12	Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	0.	0.
13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	3,590,608.	2,329,277.
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)	0.	0.
16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	1,905,362.	2,459,904.
16b	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 515,971.	0.	0.
17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	443,617.	621,543.
18	Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2,348,979.	3,081,447.
19	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	1,241,629.	-752,170.
20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	2,723,206.	2,248,511.
22	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	511,914.	789,389.
		2,211,292.	1,459,122.

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 CHARLES CUNEO, BUSINESS AND HR MANAGER Type or print name and title	Date
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name HOWARD NEWBURG	Preparer's signature Date Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/> PTIN P00020281
	Firm's name ▶ NEWBURG & COMPANY, LLP Firm's address ▶ 890 WINTER STREET, SUITE 208 WALTHAM, MA 02451	Firm's EIN ▶ 04-2805993 Phone no. 781-884-4100

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

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III []

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission: RAISING MONEY TO BRING TOGETHER ACADEMICS AND JOURNALISTS FROM AROUND THE WORLD TO ADDRESS TOPICS OF GLOBAL INTEREST.

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 [X] No

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

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses.

4a (Code:) (Expenses \$ 2,397,716. including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 2,329,277.) TO CREATE AN INDEPENDENT SOURCE OF NEWS AND VIEWS, SOURCED FROM THE ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH COMMUNITY AND DELIVERED DIRECT TO THE PUBLIC.

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e Total program service expenses 2,397,716.

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>		X
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 temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or 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

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
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
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>		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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i>	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? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a</i>		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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		X
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		X
26 Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>		X
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>		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, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
c An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		X
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		X
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>		X
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i>		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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i>		X
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1</i>	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)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		
36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		X
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i>		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 Compliance

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

Input box for Schedule O

Main table with columns for question numbers (1a-14b), Yes/No checkboxes, and numerical input fields. Includes questions about Form 1096, Form W-2G, Form W-3, Form 990-T, Form 8886-T, Form 8282, Form 8899, Form 1098-C, Form 4947(a)(1), and Form 720.

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 in Schedule O. See instructions.

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

Section A. Governing Body and Management

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 1a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year (14); 1b Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent (14); 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, or 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); 7b 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 in Schedule O (X).

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

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 10a Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates? (X); 10b 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); 11b 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); 12b Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?; 12c Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done; 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); 16b 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 MA
18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 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 [X] Upon request [] Other (explain in Schedule O)
19 Describe in 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: CHARLES E. CUNEO - 7819298361 89 SOUTH STREET, SUITE 202, BOSTON, MA 02111

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

Check 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.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

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) THOMAS FIEDLER TREASURER	5.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(2) WILLIAM BUZENBURG DIRECTOR	1.50	X						0.	0.	0.
(3) MARGARET DRAIN DIRECTOR	2.50	X						0.	0.	0.
(4) BENJAMIN TAYLOR CLERK	1.25	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(5) MARY CROUGHAN DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(6) ERNEST WILSON DIRECTOR	1.50	X						0.	0.	0.
(7) SAMUAL THOMPSON TREASURER	2.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(8) SONIA ALVAREZ-ROBINSON DIRECTOR	1.50	X						0.	0.	0.
(9) ALVIN HALL DIRECTOR	1.50	X						0.	0.	0.
(10) W. MICHAEL MCKENNA DIRECTOR	2.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(11) MICHELLE OZUMBA DIRECTOR	1.50	X						0.	0.	0.
(12) ALEXIA HUDSON WARD DIRECTOR	1.50	X						0.	0.	0.
(13) MARIA BALINSKA-SZCZERBA CO-CEO AND EDITOR	40.00				X			181,638.	0.	0.
(14) BRUCE WILSON CO-CEO AND EXECUTIVE DIREC	40.00				X			234,841.	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			
1b Sub-total							416,479.	0.	0.	
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A							0.	0.	0.	
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)							416,479.	0.	0.	

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 **2**

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director, or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>		X
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	X	
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>		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**

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

Check 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					
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f 2,311,957.					
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$						
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f		2,311,957.				
Program Service Revenue	2 a _____ Business Code						
	b _____						
	c _____						
	d _____						
	e _____						
	f All other program service revenue		541900	6,907.	6,907.		
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f			6,907.			
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)			10,413.	10,413.		
	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	a					
		b Less: direct expenses	b				
		c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events					
	9 a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	a					
b Less: direct expenses		b					
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities							
10 a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a						
	b Less: cost of goods sold	b					
	c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory						
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code					
11 a _____							
	b _____						
	c _____						
	d All other revenue						
	e Total. Add lines 11a-11d						
12 Total revenue. See instructions.			2,329,277.	17,320.	0.	0.	

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

<i>Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.</i>	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
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				
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	2,127,847.	1,590,219.	115,018.	422,610.
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)				
9 Other employee benefits	166,231.	138,545.	3,891.	23,795.
10 Payroll taxes	165,826.	130,444.	8,417.	26,965.
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management				
b Legal	46,662.	28,286.	18,376.	
c Accounting				
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.)	112,215.	112,215.		
12 Advertising and promotion	18,702.	17,622.	1,080.	
13 Office expenses	6,188.	5,219.	383.	586.
14 Information technology				
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	82,180.	80,883.	97.	1,200.
17 Travel	134,617.	107,614.	3,825.	23,178.
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	13,243.	13,243.		
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	11,085.		11,085.	
23 Insurance	11,334.	11,334.		
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a SUBCONTRACTORS	84,454.	72,454.		12,000.
b PAYROLL PROCESSING	45,830.	37,925.	2,367.	5,538.
c COMPUTER AND SOFTWARE	15,238.	15,080.	59.	99.
d CLIPPING	10,599.	10,599.		
e All other expenses	29,196.	26,034.	3,162.	
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	3,081,447.	2,397,716.	167,760.	515,971.
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 Sheet

Check 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	1,388,592.	1	1,190,184.
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	500,000.	2	0.
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	700,000.	3	501,018.
	4 Accounts receivable, net	92,500.	4	273,768.
	5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instr). Complete Part II of Sch L		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	11,427.	9	6,880.
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 45,575.		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 29,848.	14,098.	10c 15,727.
	11 Investments - publicly traded securities		11	
	12 Investments - other securities. See Part IV, line 11		12	250,000.
	13 Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	16,589.	15	10,934.
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	2,723,206.	16	2,248,511.	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	143,460.	17	148,251.
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue	368,454.	19	641,138.
	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 current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L		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		25	
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	511,914.	26	789,389.
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	-210,808.	27	-380,939.
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	2,422,100.	28	1,840,061.
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32	
33 Total net assets or fund balances	2,211,292.	33	1,459,122.	
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	2,723,206.	34	2,248,511.	

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

Check 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	2,329,277.
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	3,081,447.
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-752,170.
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	2,211,292.
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 in Schedule O)	9	0.
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	1,459,122.

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

Check 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: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> 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: <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		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: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	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 in Schedule O.	X	
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? _____		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 in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits _____		

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.
Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

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

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Open to Public Inspection

Name of the organization

THE CONVERSATION US, INC.

Employer identification number

46-0906774

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

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 12, check only one box.)

- 1 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).
2 A school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).
3 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).
4 A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).
5 An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv).
6 A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).
7 An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).
8 A community trust described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).
9 An agricultural research organization described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ix) operated in conjunction with a land-grant college or university or a non-land-grant college of agriculture.
10 X An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions - subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income.
11 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety.
12 An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2).
a Type I. A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s).
b Type II. A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s).
c Type III functionally integrated. A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s).
d Type III non-functionally integrated. A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated.
e Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization.
f Enter the number of supported organizations
g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

Table with 6 columns: (i) Name of supported organization, (ii) EIN, (iii) Type of organization, (iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?, (v) Amount of monetary support, (vi) Amount of other support. Includes a Total row at the bottom.

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

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2013	(b) 2014	(c) 2015	(d) 2016	(e) 2017	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge ...						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3						
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2013	(b) 2014	(c) 2015	(d) 2016	(e) 2017	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4						
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources ...						
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on ...						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	
13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here						<input type="checkbox"/>

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2017 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	%
15 Public support percentage from 2016 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	%
16a 33 1/3% support test - 2017. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		<input type="checkbox"/>
b 33 1/3% support test - 2016. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		<input type="checkbox"/>
17a 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2017. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		<input type="checkbox"/>
b 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2016. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		<input type="checkbox"/>
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions		<input type="checkbox"/>

Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 10 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2013	(b) 2014	(c) 2015	(d) 2016	(e) 2017	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")		2,334,825.	1,624,323.	3,582,933.	2,311,957.	9,854,038.
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5		2,334,825.	1,624,323.	3,582,933.	2,311,957.	9,854,038.
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						0.
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						0.
c Add lines 7a and 7b						0.
8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						9,854,038.

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2013	(b) 2014	(c) 2015	(d) 2016	(e) 2017	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6		2,334,825.	1,624,323.	3,582,933.	2,311,957.	9,854,038.
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources		11,171.	5,966.	7,675.	17,320.	42,132.
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b		11,171.	5,966.	7,675.	17,320.	42,132.
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)		2,345,996.	1,630,289.	3,590,608.	2,329,277.	9,896,170.

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

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2017 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2016 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2017 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2016 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	%

19a 33 1/3% support tests - 2017. If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

b 33 1/3% support tests - 2016. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

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

Part IV Supporting Organizations

(Complete only if you checked a box in line 12 on Part I. If you checked 12a of Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked 12b of Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked 12c of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked 12d of Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain.</i>		
2 Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).</i>		
3a Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below.</i>		
b Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.</i>		
c Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.</i>		
4a Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? <i>If "Yes," and if you checked 12a or 12b in Part I, answer (b) and (c) below.</i>		
b Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations.</i>		
c Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization used to ensure that all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes.</i>		
5a Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in Part VI, including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed; (ii) the reasons for each such action; (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action; and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document).</i>		
b Type I or Type II only. Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?		
c Substitutions only. Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?		
6 Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (iii) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
7 Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</i>		
8 Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described in line 7? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</i>		
9a Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
b Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined in line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
c Did a disqualified person (as defined in line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
10a Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? <i>If "Yes," answer 10b below.</i>		
b Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? <i>(Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)</i>		

Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)

	Yes	No
11 Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?		
a A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (b) and (c) below, the governing body of a supported organization?		
b A family member of a person described in (a) above?		
c A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (a) or (b) above? If "Yes" to a, b, or c, provide detail in Part VI .		

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Did the directors, trustees, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's directors or trustees at all times during the tax year? If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove directors or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.		
2 Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization? If "Yes," explain in Part VI how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization.		

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Were a majority of the organization's directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors or trustees of each of the organization's supported organization(s)? If "No," describe in Part VI how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s).		

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the organization's tax year, (i) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (ii) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (iii) copies of the organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided?		
2 Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected by the supported organization(s) or (ii) serving on the governing body of a supported organization? If "No," explain in Part VI how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).		
3 By reason of the relationship described in (2), did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice in the organization's investment policies and in directing the use of the organization's income or assets at all times during the tax year? If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.		

Section E. Type III Functionally Integrated Supporting Organizations

1 Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions).		
a <input type="checkbox"/> The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete line 2 below.		
b <input type="checkbox"/> The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete line 3 below.		
c <input type="checkbox"/> The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in Part VI how you supported a government entity (see instructions).		
2 Activities Test. Answer (a) and (b) below.		
a Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? If "Yes," then in Part VI identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.		
b Did the activities described in (a) constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? If "Yes," explain in Part VI the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.		
3 Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer (a) and (b) below.		
a Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? Provide details in Part VI .		
b Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs, and activities of each of its supported organizations? If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard.		

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations

- 1 Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying trust on Nov. 20, 1970 (explain in Part VI.) **See instructions.** All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E.

Section A - Adjusted Net Income		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Net short-term capital gain	1	
2	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2	
3	Other gross income (see instructions)	3	
4	Add lines 1 through 3	4	
5	Depreciation and depletion	5	
6	Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	6	
7	Other expenses (see instructions)	7	
8	Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6, and 7 from line 4)	8	

Section B - Minimum Asset Amount		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year):		
a	Average monthly value of securities	1a	
b	Average monthly cash balances	1b	
c	Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c	
d	Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d	
e	Discount claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in Part VI):		
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt-use assets	2	
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	
4	Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 1-1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	4	
5	Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5	
6	Multiply line 5 by .035	6	
7	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7	
8	Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6)	8	

Section C - Distributable Amount		(A) Prior Year	Current Year
1	Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, Column A)	1	
2	Enter 85% of line 1	2	
3	Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, Column A)	3	
4	Enter greater of line 2 or line 3	4	
5	Income tax imposed in prior year	5	
6	Distributable Amount. Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions)	6	
7	<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions).		

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations (continued)

Section D - Distributions	Current Year
1 Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes	
2 Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	
3 Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	
4 Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	
5 Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required)	
6 Other distributions (describe in Part VI). See instructions.	
7 Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6.	
8 Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI). See instructions.	
9 Distributable amount for 2017 from Section C, line 6	
10 Line 8 amount divided by line 9 amount	

Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2017	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2017
1 Distributable amount for 2017 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2017 (reasonable cause required- explain in Part VI). See instructions.			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2017			
a			
b From 2013			
c From 2014			
d From 2015			
e From 2016			
f Total of lines 3a through e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2017 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2012 not applied (see instructions)			
j Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f.			
4 Distributions for 2017 from Section D, line 7: \$			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b Applied to 2017 distributable amount			
c Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4.			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2017, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI . See instructions.			
6 Remaining underdistributions for 2017. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI . See instructions.			
7 Excess distributions carryover to 2018. Add lines 3j and 4c.			
8 Breakdown of line 7:			
a Excess from 2013			
b Excess from 2014			
c Excess from 2015			
d Excess from 2016			
e Excess from 2017			

Part VI

Supplemental Information. Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; Part III, line 12; Part IV, Section A, lines 1, 2, 3b, 3c, 4b, 4c, 5a, 6, 9a, 9b, 9c, 11a, 11b, and 11c; Part IV, Section B, lines 1 and 2; Part IV, Section C, line 1; Part IV, Section D, lines 2 and 3; Part IV, Section E, lines 1c, 2a, 2b, 3a, and 3b; Part V, line 1; Part V, Section B, line 1e; Part V, Section D, lines 5, 6, and 8; and Part V, Section E, lines 2, 5, and 6. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions.)

Area with multiple horizontal lines for supplemental information.

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.**

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

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Name of the organization **THE CONVERSATION US, INC.** Employer identification number **46-0906774**

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?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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 (e.g., 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 SFAS 116 (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 SFAS 116 (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 SFAS 116 (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 are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):

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

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 Temporarily restricted 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:

	Yes	No
(i) unrelated organizations	3a(i)	
(ii) related organizations	3a(ii)	
b If "Yes" on line 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?	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	45,575.		29,848.	15,727.
e Other				
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c.)				15,727.

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) CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT	250,000.	COST
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.) ▶	250,000.	

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)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25.) ▶	

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 FIN 48 (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.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

Table with 5 main rows and sub-rows (a-e) for adjustments. Total revenue reported as 2,329,277.

Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

Table with 5 main rows and sub-rows (a-e) for adjustments. Total expenses reported as 3,081,447.

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.

Multiple horizontal lines provided for entering supplemental information.

**SCHEDULE J
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Compensation Information

For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees
 ▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.
 ▶ Attach to Form 990.
 ▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

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Name of the organization

THE CONVERSATION US, INC.

Employer identification number

46-0906774

Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

1a Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions | <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments | <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (such as, maid, chauffeur, chef) |

b If any of the boxes on line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain

2 Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, and officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked on line 1a?

3 Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III.

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant | <input type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations | <input type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee |

4 During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing organization or a related organization:

- a** Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?
- b** Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?
- c** Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?
- If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.

Only section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.

5 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:

- a** The organization?
- b** Any related organization?
- If "Yes" on line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.

6 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of:

- a** The organization?
- b** Any related organization?
- If "Yes" on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.

7 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any nonfixed payments not described on lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III

8 Were any amounts reported on Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III

9 If "Yes" on line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?

	Yes	No
1b		
2		
4a		X
4b		X
4c		X
5a		X
5b		X
6a		X
6b		X
7		X
8		X
9		

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Schedule J (Form 990) 2017

Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported on Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that aren't listed on Form 990, Part VII.

Note: The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
(1) MARIA BALINSKA-SZCZERBA CO-CEO AND EDITOR	(i)	181,638.	0.	0.	0.	0.	181,638.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(2) BRUCE WILSON CO-CEO AND EXECUTIVE DIREC	(i)	234,841.	0.	0.	0.	0.	234,841.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
	(i)							
	(ii)							
	(i)							
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	(i)							
	(ii)							
	(i)							
	(ii)							
	(i)							
	(ii)							

Part III Supplemental Information

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II. Also complete this part for any additional information.

PART I, LINE 3:

THE ORGANIZATION USES A COMPENSATION COMMITTEE TO ESTABLISH CEO/ EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR COMPENSATION.

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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Inspection

Name of the organization

THE CONVERSATION US, INC.

Employer identification number

46-0906774

FORM 990, PART I, LINE 1, DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION MISSION:

BRINGS TOGETHER ACADEMICS AND JOURNALISTS ACROSS THE US TO ADDRESS
TOPICS OF GLOBAL INTEREST. IT MAKES THE RESEARCH AND SCHOLARLY WORK
FROM THE UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY ACCESSIBLE WORLDWIDE, FOSTERS
COLLABORATION AND PROVIDES READERS WITH HIGH QUALITY, TRUSTED COVERAGE.

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

THE FORM 990 IS GIVEN TO BUSINESS MANAGER WHO SENDS IT TO THE CO-CEOS AND
THE BOARD PRESIDENT AND TREASURER FOR REVIEW. ALL QUESTIONS ARE GATHERED
AND DIRECTED BACK AT THE INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT WHO PREPARED THE RETURN.
WHEN ALL QUESTIONS ARE ANSWERED, THE RETURN IS SIGNED AND FILED.

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

ALL INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON THEIR REQUEST.

**SCHEDULE R
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33, 34, 35b, 36, or 37.
▶ Attach to Form 990.

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

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Name of the organization **THE CONVERSATION US, INC.** Employer identification number **46-0906774**

Part I Identification of Disregarded Entities. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33.

(a) Name, address, and EIN (if applicable) of disregarded entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Total income	(e) End-of-year assets	(f) Direct controlling entity

Part II Identification of Related Tax-Exempt Organizations. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, because it had one or more related tax-exempt organizations during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Exempt Code section	(e) Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3))	(f) Direct controlling entity	(g) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
						Yes	No
THE CONVERSATION MEDIA GROUP 715 SWANSTON STREET, LEVEL 1 PARKVILLE, VIC, AUSTRALIA 3010	JOURNALISM	AUSTRALIA	FOREIGN NON-PROFIT				X

Part III Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Partnership. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, because it had one or more related organizations treated as a partnership during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Predominant income (related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512-514)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V-UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
							Yes	No		Yes	No	

Part IV Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Corporation or Trust. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, because it had one or more related organizations treated as a corporation or trust during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Type of entity (C corp, S corp, or trust)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Percentage ownership	(i) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
								Yes	No

Part V Transactions With Related Organizations. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, 35b, or 36.

Note: Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III, or IV of this schedule.

	Yes	No
1 During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?		
a Receipt of (i) interest, (ii) annuities, (iii) royalties, or (iv) rent from a controlled entity		X
b Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s)		X
c Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s)		X
d Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s)		X
e Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s)		X
f Dividends from related organization(s)		X
g Sale of assets to related organization(s)		X
h Purchase of assets from related organization(s)	X	
i Exchange of assets with related organization(s)		X
j Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s)		X
k Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s)		X
l Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s)		X
m Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s)		X
n Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s)		X
o Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s)		X
p Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses		X
q Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses		X
r Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s)		X
s Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s)		X

2 If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," see the instructions for information on who must complete this line, including covered relationships and transaction thresholds.

(a) Name of related organization	(b) Transaction type (a-s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
(1) THE CONVERSATION MEDIA GROUP	H	112,215.	NEGOTIATIONS
(2)			
(3)			
(4)			
(5)			
(6)			

Part VI **Unrelated Organizations Taxable as a Partnership.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 37.

Provide the following information for each entity taxed as a partnership through which the organization conducted more than five percent of its activities (measured by total assets or gross revenue) that was not a related organization. See instructions regarding exclusion for certain investment partnerships.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Predominant income (related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512-514)	(e) Are all partners sec. 501(c)(3) orgs.?		(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Dispropor- tionate allocations?		(i) Code V-UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
				Yes	No			Yes	No		Yes	No	

Application for Automatic Extension of Time To File an Exempt Organization Return

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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

▶ **Information about Form 8868 and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form8868 .**

Electronic filing (e-file). You can electronically file Form 8868 to request a 6-month automatic extension of time to file any of the forms listed below with the exception of Form 8870, Information Return for Transfers Associated With Certain Personal Benefit Contracts, for which an extension request must be sent to the IRS in paper format (see instructions). For more details on the electronic filing of this form, visit www.irs.gov/efile, click on Charities & Non-Profits, and click on e-file for Charities and Non-Profits.

Automatic 6-Month Extension of Time. Only submit original (no copies needed).

All corporations required to file an income tax return other than Form 990-T (including 1120-C filers), partnerships, REMICs, and trusts must use Form 7004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns.

		Enter filer's identifying number
Type or print File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions.	Name of exempt organization or other filer, see instructions. THE CONVERSATION US, INC.	Employer identification number (EIN) or 46-0906774
	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions. 89 SOUTH STREET, NO. 202	Social security number (SSN)
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions. BOSTON, MA 02111	

Enter the Return Code for the return that this application is for (file a separate application for each return) 0 1

Application Is For	Return Code	Application Is For	Return Code
Form 990 or Form 990-EZ	01	Form 990-T (corporation)	07
Form 990-BL	02	Form 1041-A	08
Form 4720 (individual)	03	Form 4720 (other than individual)	09
Form 990-PF	04	Form 5227	10
Form 990-T (sec. 401(a) or 408(a) trust)	05	Form 6069	11
Form 990-T (trust other than above)	06	Form 8870	12

CHARLES E. CUNEO

• The books are in the care of ▶ **89 SOUTH STREET, SUITE 202 - BOSTON, MA 02111**
 Telephone No. ▶ **7819298361** Fax No. ▶ _____

- 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.

1 I request an automatic 6-month extension of time until **MAY 15, 2019**, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for:

▶ calendar year _____ or
 ▶ tax year beginning **JUL 1, 2017**, and ending **JUN 30, 2018**.

2 If the tax year entered in line 1 is for less than 12 months, check reason: Initial return Final return
 Change in accounting period

3a If this application is for Forms 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions.	3a	\$	0.
b If this application is for Forms 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.	3b	\$	0.
c Balance due. Subtract line 3b from line 3a. Include your payment with this form, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions.	3c	\$	0.

Caution: If you are going to make an electronic funds withdrawal (direct debit) with this Form 8868, see Form 8453-EO and Form 8879-EO for payment instructions.

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS/PUBLIC CHARITIES DIVISION
ONE ASHBURTON PLACE
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02108

(617) 727-2200, ext. 2101
www.mass.gov/ago/charities

Form PC

Report for the Fiscal Period: 07/01/17 to 06/30/18Attorney General's Account #: 054116Federal ID #: 46-0906774

Electronic Payment Confirmation #: _____

When did the organization first engage in charitable work in Massachusetts? 07/01/2014Has the organization applied for or been granted IRS tax exempt status? Yes NoIf yes, date of application OR date of determination letter: 12/12/2013IRS Exemption under 501(c): 3If exempt under 501(c), are contributions to the organization tax deductible as charitable contributions? Yes No**Check all items attached (if applicable)**

- Filing Fee or Printout of Electronic Payment Confirmation
- Copy of IRS Return
- Audited Financial Statements/Review
- Amended Articles/By-Laws
- Schedule A-1
- Schedule A-2
- Schedule RO
- Schedule VCO
- Probate Account

Organization DataName: THE CONVERSATION US, INC.Mailing Address: 89 SOUTH STREET, NO. 202City: BOSTON State: MA ZIP: 02111Phone Number: 781-929-8361 Fax Number: _____Email: CHARLES.CUNEO@THECONVERSATION.COM Website: THECONVERSATION.COM/US

In the table below, please enter the appropriate codes from the corresponding tables found in the instructions.
 Enter **up to 2** codes from Table 3 for your organization's main purpose(s)

Category	Code	Category	Code
County (Table 1)	13	Organization Purpose Code 1	8
Type of Organization (Table 2)	2	Organization Purpose Code 2	

Please check box if final return prior to dissolution:

Office Use Only: Payment Received

All questions must be completed in their entirety whether or not similar questions are answered in an attached federal form. See instructions and definition section for guidance.

1. On what date was the organization created? 09/06/2012

2. Where was the organization created? MA

3. What is the form of organization? (check one)

Corporation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Testamentary Trust <input type="checkbox"/>
Unincorporated Association <input type="checkbox"/>	Inter Vivos Trust <input type="checkbox"/>

Other (please describe): _____

4. Was your organization related to any other organization(s) during the reporting year (see definition of "Related Organization")? If yes, please complete the Schedule RO on pages 13 and 14. Yes No

5. Enter your summary of financial data:

Financial Data		Amounts
A.	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	2,311,957.
B.	Gross support and revenue	2,329,277.
C.	Program services and similar amounts paid out	2,397,716.
D.	Fundraising expenses	515,971.
E.	Management and general expenses	167,760.
F.	Payments to affiliates	0.
G.	Total expenses	3,081,447.
H.	Net assets or fund balances at the end of the year	1,459,122.

6. List the total compensation you provided to your five highest paid employees:

	Name/Title	Hrs/Week	Salary and Other Income	Benefit Plans	Other Compensation
1.	BRUCE WILSON	40.00	234,841.	0.	0.
2.	ERIC ZACK	40.00	106,156.	0.	0.
3.	MARTIN LAMONICA	40.00	98,383.	0.	0.
4.	CHARLIE CUNEO	40.00	101,201.	0.	0.
5.	MARIA BALINSKA-SZCZERBA	40.00	181,638.	0.	0.

7. Was any compensation provided to any of the individuals listed in question 6 above which was not quantified in your response to 6? If yes, please provide explanation (attach separate sheet). Yes No

8. List the name, amount of compensation paid, and the nature of services rendered by each of the organization's five highest paid consultants providing professional services (e.g. attorneys, architects, accountants, management companies, investment advisors, professional solicitors, professional fundraising counsel).

	Name/Title	Amount of Compensation	Type(s) of Service
1.	TILLER LLC	51,574.	MARKETING
2.	NEWBURG & COMPANY, LLP	20,000.	ACCOUNTING
3.	MCKENNA & PARTNERS	8,300.	COMMUNICATIONS
4.	ALEXANDER VILLARI	12,000.	FUNDRAISING CONSULTANT
5.	IN SOURCE SERVICES	12,356.	OUTSOURCED ACCOUNTING

9. Bank(s) in which the organization's funds are deposited (include bank addresses and phone number):

Bank	Address	Phone Number
SEE STATEMENT 1		

10. What is the organization's accounting method? Cash Accrual
 Other (specify): _____

11. If organization's mailing address is a P.O. Box, list the organization's full street address:

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP Code: _____

12. Contact Person Name: CHARLES CUNEO

Street Address: 89 SOUTH STREET, SUITE 202

City: BOSTON State: MA ZIP Code: 02111

Phone Number: 781-929-8361

13. During the fiscal year reported here, did your organization solicit contributions or have funds solicited on its behalf? Yes No

14. At any time during the fiscal year following the year reported here, will your organization, or others acting on its behalf, solicit contributions? Yes No

If you answered yes to Question 13 or 14, you must complete Schedule A-1 and/or Schedule A-2 unless you are exempt from the solicitation certificate requirement.

15. If you are claiming an exemption from the solicitation certificate requirement, please indicate by checking the box to the right to identify which exemption applies to your organization.

a religious organization	<input type="checkbox"/>
an organization which: (a) does not raise more than \$5,000 during a calendar year Or does not receive contributions from more than ten persons during a calendar year; AND (b) carries out all of its activities, including fundraising, through unpaid volunteers. <i>(The conditions at both (a) and (b) must be met for your organization to qualify for this exemption.)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>

16. Attach a list of names, addresses (street and/or mailing), and telephone numbers of other offices/chapters/branches/affiliates.
STATEMENT 2

17. Attach a list of names, titles, and addresses (street and/or mailing) of officers, directors, trustees, and the principal salaried executives of organization.
STATEMENT 3

18. Attach a list of names, titles, and addresses (street and/or mailing) of any individual(s) authorized to sign checks, and any individual(s) responsible for: custody of funds; distribution of funds; fundraising; and custody of financial records.
STATEMENT 4

19. Has this organization or any of its officers, directors, employees or fundraisers solicited funds in any other state? Yes No

If you attach list of states where solicitation was conducted, including registered agency, dates of registration, registration numbers, any other names under which the organization was/is registered, and the dates and type (mail, telephone, door to door, special events, etc.) of the solicitation conducted.

FORM PC	BANK IN WHICH FUNDS ARE DEPOSITED	STATEMENT	1
	<u>NAME AND ADDRESS</u>	<u>PHONE NUMBER</u>	
	BANK OF AMERICA 1237 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE BOSTON, MA 02215	617-424-0187	
	SANTANDER BANK 75 STATE STREET BOSTON, MA 02109	617-757-3410	
	TD BANK N.A. 2035 LIMESTONE ROAD WILMINGTON, DE 19808	302-655-5031	
	FIRST REPUBLIC BANK 111 PINE STREET SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111	415-392-1400	
	CITIZENS BANK 414 WASHINGTON STREET BOSTON, MA 02135	617-782-4820	
	WEBSTER BANK 145 BANK STREET WATERBURY, CT 06702	860-692-1651	
	BLUE HILLS BANK 500 RIVER RIDGE RD, 3RD FLO NORWOOD, MA 02062	617-361-6900	

FORM PC	NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE OF OTHER OFFICES	STATEMENT	2
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NAME AND ADDRESS	PHONE NUMBER
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N/A

FORM PC	OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, TRUSTEES AND EXECUTIVES	STATEMENT	3
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NAME AND ADDRESS	TITLE
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WILLIAM BUZENBURG 9988 NE TORVANGER RD BAINBRIDGE ISLAND, WA 98110	DIRECTOR
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MARGARET DRAIN 780 BOYLSTON STREET, APT 27A BOSTON, MA 02199	DIRECTOR
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BENJAMIN TAYLOR 61 WALNUT PLACE BROOKLINE, MA 02445	CLERK
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MARY CROUGHAN 126 WILD HORSE VALLEY DR NOVATO, CA 94978	DIRECTOR
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THOMAS FIEDLER 68 BAY STATE RD BOSTON, MA 02215	PRESIDENT
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ERNEST WILSON 1101 BURNSIDE AVE LOS ANGELES, CA 90019	DIRECTOR
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SAMUEL THOMPSON 15 COTTAGE STREET CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139	TREASURER
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SONIA ALVAREZ-ROBINSON 3815 MILL CREEK COURT ATLANTA, GA 30341	DIRECTOR
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MARIA BALINSKA 3229 LAKEVIEW AVE CAMBRIDGE, MA 02138	DIRECTOR
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ALVIN HALL 220 MADISON AVE, #14J NEW YORK, NY 10016	DIRECTOR
W. MICHAEL MCKENNA 869 JAMES ROAD WEYBRIDGE, VT 05753	DIRECTOR
MICHELE OZUMBA 1365 MEMORIAL DRIVE SE, UNIT 12 ATLANTA , GA 30317	DIRECTOR
ALEXIA HUDSON WARD 22690 WYNDGATE COURT WESTLAKE, OH 44145	DIRECTOR
BRUCE WILSON 121 POKKONOCK TRAIL NEW CANAAN, CT 06840	DIRECTOR

FORM PC

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STATEMENT 4

<u>NAME AND ADDRESS</u>	<u>AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY</u>
TOM FIEDLER 68 BAY STATE ROAD BOSTON, MA 02215	RESPONSIBLE FOR CUSTODY OF FUNDS
TOM FIEDLER 68 BAY STATE ROAD BOSTON, MA 02215	RESPONSIBLE FOR DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS
TOM FIEDLER 68 BAY STATE ROAD BOSTON, MA 02215	RESPONSIBLE FOR FUNDRAISING
TOM FIEDLER 68 BAY STATE ROAD BOSTON, MA 02215	CUSTODY OF FINANCIAL RECORDS
TOM FIEDLER 68 BAY STATE ROAD BOSTON, MA 02215	AUTHORIZED TO SIGN CHECKS

20. Has this organization or any of its officers, directors, or employees:

If yes, please attach an explanation.

- (a) Been enjoined or otherwise prohibited by a government agency/court from operating or soliciting contributions? Yes No
- (b) Ever been refused registration or had its registration or tax exemption denied, suspended, modified or revoked by a governmental agency? Yes No
- (c) Been the subject of a proceeding regarding any solicitation or registration? Yes No
- (d) Entered into a voluntary agreement of compliance or consent judgment with any government agency or in a case before a court or administrative agency? Yes No

21. Have any restrictions been removed during the year from donor-restricted funds?

If yes, please attach an explanation.

Yes No

22. Have donor-restricted funds been loaned to unrestricted funds?

If yes, please attach an explanation.

Yes No

23. This question involves "Termination of Employment or Changes of Control Compensatory Arrangements" with certain "Related Parties" (see *instructions and definition sections*). Report only if payments made or promised to any individual are in excess of four months salary or \$100,000, whichever dollar amount is less.

- (a) Did you make actual payments or otherwise transfer value under such an arrangement to any individual described in Related Party definition, sections (a) or (b), which payments are not reported in Question 6 or 7 above? Yes No
- (b) Do you have an agreement with any individual described in Related Party definition, sections (a) or (b), containing such an agreement? Yes No

*If you answered **yes** for Question 23(a) or 23(b) above, please attach an explanation identifying the individual(s) involved, stating the amount of any payments made or value transferred, and describing the terms of each agreement.*

24. This question applies to related party transactions, which include transactions with officers, directors, trustees, certain employees, relative, and organizations they own or control. Please consult the instructions and definition sections for the definition of a "Related Party" and "Indebtedness" before answering. Note that transactions involving related parties must be reported even when there is no accounting recognition (e.g. in-kind gifts, waiver of interest not otherwise reported).

If the answer to any part of Question 24 is yes, attach a schedule stating the name and address of the related party, the nature of the transaction, the value or the amounts involved in the transaction, and the procedure followed in authorizing the transaction.

During the year:		
A.	Has your organization sold or transferred assets to or purchased assets from or exchanged assets with a related party?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
B.	Has your organization leased assets to or leased assets from a related party?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
C.	Has your organization been indebted to a related party?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
D.	Has your organization allowed a related party to be indebted to it?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
E.	Has your organization made or held an investment in a related party?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
F.	Has your organization furnished goods, services, or facilities to a related party?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
G.	Has your organization acquired goods, services, or facilities from a related party who received compensation or other value in return?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
H.	Has your organization paid or became obligated to pay wages, salary, or other compensation to a related party?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
I.	Has your organization transferred income or assets to or for use by a related party?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
J.	Was your organization a party to any transaction in which any of its officers, directors, or trustees has a material financial interest, or did any officer, director or trustee receive anything of value not reported as compensation?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
K.	Has your organization invested in any corporate stock of a company in which any officer, director, or trustee owns more than 10% of the outstanding shares?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
L.	Is any property of the organization held in the name of or commingled with the property of any other person or organization?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
M.	Did your organization make a grant award or contribution to any other organization in which any of this organization's officers, directors or trustees has a relationship?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

STATEMENT 5

NAME AND ADDRESS

THE CONVERSATION MEDIA GROUP
715 SWANSTON ST, LEVEL 1
PARKVILLE VIC 3010 AUSTRALIA

NATURE OF TRANSACTION

LICENSING FEE

AMOUNT INVOLVED

112,215.

PROCEDURE FOLLOWED

PAID IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNANCE AGREEMENT.

Signature Required

Under penalty of perjury, I declare that the information furnished in this report, including all attachments, is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: CHARLES CUNEO

Title: BUSINESS AND HR MANAGER

Name of Preparer: NEWBURG & COMPANY, LLP

Address 890 WINTER STREET, SUITE 208

City WALTHAM State MA ZIP Code 02451

Phone Number 781-884-4100

**Schedule A-1
Solicitation Activities During Fiscal Year Covered By This Report**

List any names which will be used by the organization in connection with the solicitation of funds, other than the official name which appears on page 1.

Types of solicitation activities in which you expect to engage (check all that apply):

Mass Mailing	<input type="checkbox"/>	Via the Internet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Door-to-door	<input type="checkbox"/>	Raffle, beano, bingo or gaming event	<input type="checkbox"/>
Entertainment event	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sale of goods other than by telephone	<input type="checkbox"/>
Telemarketing without sale of goods or ads	<input type="checkbox"/>	Individual Mailings	<input type="checkbox"/>
Telemarketing with sale of goods	<input type="checkbox"/>	Corporate solicitations	<input type="checkbox"/>
Telemarketing with sale of ads	<input type="checkbox"/>	Grant Proposals	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): _____			

Identify the method or methods you expect to use for the fundraising (check all that apply):

Professional solicitor*	<input type="checkbox"/>	Own employees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Professional fundraising counsel*	<input type="checkbox"/>	Volunteers	<input type="checkbox"/>
Commercial co-venturer*	<input type="checkbox"/>		

* Provide applicable names and addresses:

Professional Solicitor Name: _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____

Professional Fundraising Counsel Name: _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____

Commercial Co-Venturer Name: _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____

Schedule A-1 ctd.
Solicitation Activities During Fiscal Year Covered By This Report

Identify the individuals who will have final responsibility for the charity's custody of contributions:

TOM FIEDLER

Name and Title: **PRESIDENT**

Address **68 BAY STATE RD**

City **BOSTON**

State **MA**

ZIP Code **02215**

Name and Title: _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

ZIP Code _____

Name and Title: _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

ZIP Code _____

Identify the individuals who will have final responsibility for the charity's distribution of contributions:

TOM FIEDLER

Name and Title: **PRESIDENT**

Address **68 BAY STATE RD**

City **BOSTON**

State **MA**

ZIP Code **02215**

Name and Title: _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

ZIP Code _____

Name and Title: _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

ZIP Code _____

Schedule A-2
Solicitation Activities Planned for Fiscal Year Which Follows the Reporting Year

List any names which will be used by the organization in connection with the solicitation of funds, other than the official name which appears on page 1.

Two horizontal lines for listing names.

Types of solicitation activities in which you expect to engage (check all that apply):

Table with 2 columns: Activity type and checkbox. Activities include Mass Mailing, Door-to-door, Entertainment event, Telemarketing without sale of goods or ads, Telemarketing with sale of goods, Telemarketing with sale of ads, Via the Internet, Raffle, beano, bingo or gaming event, Sale of goods other than by telephone, Individual Mailings, Corporate solicitations, Grant Proposals, and Other (specify).

Identify the method or methods you expect to use for the fundraising (check all that apply):

Table with 2 columns: Method and checkbox. Methods include Professional solicitor*, Professional fundraising counsel*, Commercial co-venturer*, Own employees, and Volunteers.

* Provide applicable names and addresses:

Professional Solicitor Name: _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____

Professional Fundraising Counsel Name: _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____

Commercial Co-Venturer Name: _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____

Schedule A-2 ctd.

Solicitation Activities Planned for Fiscal Year Which Follows the Reporting Year

Identify the individuals who will have final responsibility for the charity's custody of contributions:

THOMAS FIEDLER

Name and Title: PRESIDENT

Address 68 BAY STATE RD

City BOSTON

State MA

ZIP Code 02445

Name and Title:

Address

City

State

ZIP Code

Name and Title:

Address

City

State

ZIP Code

Identify the individuals who will have final responsibility for the charity's distribution of contributions:

THOMAS FIEDLER

Name and Title: PRESIDENT

Address 68 BAY STATE RD

City BOSTON

State MA

ZIP Code 02445

Name and Title:

Address

City

State

ZIP Code

Name and Title:

Address

City

State

ZIP Code

Certification by Organization

Two different signatures required. Signers must be organization president or other authorized officer or trustee.

Under penalty of perjury, we declare that the information furnished in this report, including all attachments, is true and correct to the best of our knowledge.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: CHARLES CUNEO

Title: BUSINESS AND HR MANAGER

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: THOMAS FIEDLER

Title: PRESIDENT

Schedule RO

1. Please read the instructions and definition of "Related Organization" carefully before completing this section. (If you have more than five Related Organizations, please attach a list.)

THE CONVERSATION MEDIA				
Name: GROUP		Primary purpose or activity: INDEPENDENT JOURNALISM		
FYE	A. Donor restricted funds (-) liabilities	B. 3rd party restricted funds (-) liabilities	C. Unrestricted funds (-) liabilities	D. Total net assets (A+B+C)
06/30/18				

Name:		Primary purpose or activity:		
FYE	A. Donor restricted funds (-) liabilities	B. 3rd party restricted funds (-) liabilities	C. Unrestricted funds (-) liabilities	D. Total net assets (A+B+C)

Name:		Primary purpose or activity:		
FYE	A. Donor restricted funds (-) liabilities	B. 3rd party restricted funds (-) liabilities	C. Unrestricted funds (-) liabilities	D. Total net assets (A+B+C)

Name:		Primary purpose or activity:		
FYE	A. Donor restricted funds (-) liabilities	B. 3rd party restricted funds (-) liabilities	C. Unrestricted funds (-) liabilities	D. Total net assets (A+B+C)

Name:		Primary purpose or activity:		
FYE	A. Donor restricted funds (-) liabilities	B. 3rd party restricted funds (-) liabilities	C. Unrestricted funds (-) liabilities	D. Total net assets (A+B+C)

Schedule RO ctd.

2. List the total compensation paid by your organization and/or any other related organization to your chief executive (e.g., executive director) and to the four other current or former directors, trustees, officers, or employees within the system of related organizations identified at question 1, on page 13, receiving the highest aggregate compensation (*see instructions*). Use additional lines below to itemize by compensation source.

Name:		Title:	
Income Source:	Salary and Other Income:	Benefits Plan:	Other Compensation:

Name:		Title:	
Income Source:	Salary and Other Income:	Benefits Plan:	Other Compensation:

Name:		Title:	
Income Source:	Salary and Other Income:	Benefits Plan:	Other Compensation:

Name:		Title:	
Income Source:	Salary and Other Income:	Benefits Plan:	Other Compensation:

Name:		Title:	
Income Source:	Salary and Other Income:	Benefits Plan:	Other Compensation:

3. Is asset and/or compensation information for religious organizations and/or certain non-charitable entities related to foundations excluded pursuant to instructions? Yes No