

Form 990

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No 1545-0047

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

2007

Open to Public Inspection

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

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

A For the 2007 calendar year, or tax year beginning 01-01-2007 and ending 12-31-2007

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

Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.

C Name of organization: EDISTO ISLAND OPEN LAND TRUST. Number and street: PO BOX 1. City or town: EDISTO ISLAND, SC 29438

D Employer identification number: 57-1007436. E Telephone number: (843) 869-9004. F Accounting method: Cash

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

G Web site: N/A

J Organization type: 501(c)(3)

K Check here if the organization is not a 509(a)(3) supporting organization and its gross receipts are normally not more than 25,000

L Gross receipts: 21,192,768

H and I are not applicable to section 527 organizations. H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates? H(b) If "Yes" enter number of affiliates. H(c) Are all affiliates included? H(d) Is this a separate return filed by an organization covered by a group ruling? I Group Exemption Number. M Check if the organization is not required to attach Sch B

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

Table with columns for Revenue, Expenses, and Net Assets. Rows include Contributions (1-1d), Program service revenue (2), Membership dues (3), Interest on savings (4), Dividends (5), Gross rents (6a-6c), Other investment income (7), Gross amount from sales of assets (8a-8d), Special events (9a-9c), Gross sales of inventory (10a-10c), Other revenue (11), Total revenue (12), Program services (13), Management and general (14), Fundraising (15), Payments to affiliates (16), Total expenses (17), Excess or deficit (18), Net assets at beginning (19), Other changes (20), Net assets at end (21).

Part III Statement of Functional Expenses

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

Do not include amounts reported on line 6b, 8b, 9b, 10b, or 16 of Part I.

	(A) Total	(B) Program services	(C) Management and general	(D) Fundraising
22a Grants paid from donor advised funds (attach Schedule) (cash \$ _____ noncash \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	22a			
22b Other grants and allocations (attach schedule) (cash \$ _____ noncash \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	22b			
23 Specific assistance to individuals (attach schedule)	23			
24 Benefits paid to or for members (attach schedule)	24			
25a Compensation of current officers, directors, key employees etc Listed in Part V-A (attach schedule)	25a			
b Compensation of former officers, directors, key employees etc listed in Part V-B (attach schedule)	25b			
c Compensation and other distributions not included above to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) (attach schedule)	25c			
26 Salaries and wages of employees not included on lines 25a, b and c	26	69,276	41,566	20,782
27 Pension plan contributions not included on lines 25a, b and c	27			
28 Employee benefits not included on lines 25a - 27	28			
29 Payroll taxes	29	6,023	3,614	1,807
30 Professional fundraising fees	30			
31 Accounting fees	31			
32 Legal fees	32			
33 Supplies	33	5,169	3,102	1,551
34 Telephone	34	2,188	1,313	656
35 Postage and shipping	35	2,748	1,649	824
36 Occupancy	36	8,748	5,249	2,624
37 Equipment rental and maintenance	37			
38 Printing and publications	38	3,730	1,865	1,865
39 Travel	39	2,117	1,270	635
40 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	40			
41 Interest	41	9,631	9,631	
42 Depreciation, depletion, etc (attach schedule)	42			
43 Other expenses not covered above (itemize)				
a See Additional Data Table	43a			
b	43b			
c	43c			
d	43d			
e	43e			
f	43f			
g	43g			
44 Total functional expenses. Add lines 22a through 43g (Organizations completing columns (B)-(D), carry these totals to lines 13-15)	44	175,809	126,049	33,907

Joint Costs. Check if you are following SOP 98-2

Are any joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation reported in (B) Program services? Yes No
 If "Yes," enter (i) the aggregate amount of these joint costs \$ _____, (ii) the amount allocated to Program services \$ _____, (iii) the amount allocated to Management and general \$ _____, and (iv) the amount allocated to Fundraising \$ _____

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

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

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? ▶ TO GENERATE INTEREST IN AND EDUCATE THE PUBLIC ABOUT LAND CONSERVATION AND TO ENCOURAGE THE PUBLIC TO PLACE LAND UNDER CONSERVATION EASEMENTS All organizations must describe their exempt purpose achievements in a clear and concise manner. State the number of clients served, publications issued, etc. Discuss achievements that are not measurable (Section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must also enter the amount of grants and allocations to others.)	Program Service Expenses (Required for 501(c)(3) and (4) orgs, and 4947(a)(1) trusts, but optional for others.)
a EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC AS TO THE BENEFIT OF LAND CONSERVATION (Grants and allocations \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	126,049
b (Grants and allocations \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	
c (Grants and allocations \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	
d (Grants and allocations \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	
e Other program services (attach schedule) (Grants and allocations \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	
f Total of Program Service Expenses (should equal line 44, column (B), Program services) <input type="checkbox"/>	126,049

Part IV Balance Sheets (See the instructions.)

Note: Where required, attached schedules and amounts within the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only.

		(A)		(B)
		Beginning of year		End of year
Assets	45 Cash—non-interest-bearing	89,686	45	91,224
	46 Savings and temporary cash investments	214,357	46	392,341
	47a Accounts receivable			
	b Less allowance for doubtful accounts	32,293	47c	
	48a Pledges receivable			
	b Less allowance for doubtful accounts		48c	
	49 Grants receivable		49	
	50a Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, and key employees (attach schedule)		50a	
	b Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(c)(3)(B) (attach schedule)		50b	
	51a Other notes and loans receivable (attach schedule)			
	b Less allowance for doubtful accounts		51c	
	52 Inventories for sale or use		52	
	53 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		53	
	54a Investments—publicly-traded securities <input type="checkbox"/> Cost <input type="checkbox"/> FMV		54a	
	b Investments—other securities (attach schedule) <input type="checkbox"/> Cost <input type="checkbox"/> FMV		54b	
55a Investments—land, buildings, and equipment basis				
b Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule)		55c		
56 Investments—other (attach schedule)		56		
57a Land, buildings, and equipment basis	25,047,942			
b Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule)		57c	25,047,942	
58 Other assets, including program-related investments (describe <input type="checkbox"/> _____)	270	58		
59 Total assets (must equal line 74) Add lines 45 through 58	4,514,548	59	25,531,507	
Liabilities	60 Accounts payable and accrued expenses		60	
	61 Grants payable		61	
	62 Deferred revenue		62	
	63 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and key employees (attach schedule)		63	
	64a Tax-exempt bond liabilities (attach schedule)		64a	
	b Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule)		64b	
	65 Other liabilities (describe <input type="checkbox"/> _____)	380,000	65	380,000
66 Total liabilities Add lines 60 through 65	380,000	66	380,000	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 67 through 69 and lines 73 and 74			
	67 Unrestricted	312,915	67	391,420
	68 Temporarily restricted	168,633	68	237,087
	69 Permanently restricted	3,653,000	69	24,523,000
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 70 through 74			
	70 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds		70	
	71 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, and equipment fund		71	
	72 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		72	
	73 Total net assets or fund balances Add lines 67 through 69 or lines 70 through 72 (Column (A) must equal line 19 and column (B) must equal line 21)	4,134,548	73	25,151,507
	74 Total liabilities and net assets / fund balances Add lines 66 and 73	4,514,548	74	25,531,507

Part IV-A Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return (See the instructions.)

a	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	a	21,192,768
b	Amounts included on line a but not on Part I, line 12		
1	Net unrealized gains on investments	b1	
2	Donated services and use of facilities	b2	
3	Recoveries of prior year grants	b3	
4	Other (specify) _____	b4	
	Add lines b1 through b4	b	
c	Subtract line b from line a	c	21,192,768
d	Amounts included on Part I, line 12, but not on line a :		
1	Investment expenses not included on Part I, line 6b	d1	
2	Other (specify) _____	d2	
	Add lines d1 and d2	d	
e	Total revenue (Part I, line 12) Add lines c and d	e	21,192,768

Part IV-B Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return

a	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	a	175,809
b	Amounts included on line a but not on Part I, line 17		
1	Donated services and use of facilities	b1	
2	Prior year adjustments reported on Part I, line 20	b2	
3	Losses reported on Part I, line 20	b3	
4	Other (specify) _____	b4	
	Add lines b1 through b4	b	
c	Subtract line b from line a	c	175,809
d	Amounts included on Part I, line 17, but not on line a :		
1	Investment expenses not included on Part I, line 6b	d1	
2	Other (specify) _____	d2	
	Add lines d1 and d2	d	
e	Total expenses (Part I, line 17) Add lines c and d	e	175,809

Part V-A Current Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (List each person who was an officer, director, trustee, or key employee at any time during the year even if they were not compensated.) (See the instructions.)

(A) Name and address	(B) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(C) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-.)	(D) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation plans	(E) Expense account and other allowances
See Additional Data Table				

Part V-A Current Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (continued)

Table with 3 columns: Question (75a-75d), Yes, No. 75a: Enter the total number of officers, directors, and trustees permitted to vote on organization business at board meetings. 75b: Are any officers, directors, trustees, or key employees listed in Form 990, Part V-A, or highest compensated employees listed in Schedule A, Part I, or highest compensated professional and other independent contractors listed in Schedule A, Part II-A or II-B, related to each other through family or business relationships? If "Yes," attach a statement that identifies the individuals and explains the relationship(s). 75c: Do any officers, directors, trustees, or key employees listed in Form 990, Part V-A, or highest compensated employees listed in Schedule A, Part I, or highest compensated professional and other independent contractors listed in Schedule A, Part II-A or II-B, receive compensation from any other organizations, whether tax exempt or taxable, that are related to the organization? See the instructions for the definition of "related organization". If "Yes," attach a statement that includes the information described in the instructions. 75d: Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy?

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

Table with 5 columns: (A) Name and address, (B) Loans and Advances, (C) Compensation (If not paid enter -0-), (D) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation plans, (E) Expense account and other allowances.

Part VI Other Information (See the instructions.)

Table with 3 columns: Question (76-81b), Yes, No. 76: Did the organization make a change in its activities or methods of conducting activities? If "Yes," attach a detailed statement of each change. 77: Were any changes made in the organizing or governing documents but not reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes. 78a: Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year covered by this return? 78b: If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year? 79: Was there a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," attach a statement. 80a: Is the organization related (other than by association with a statewide or nationwide organization) through common membership, governing bodies, trustees, officers, etc., to any other exempt or nonexempt organization? 80b: If "Yes," enter the name of the organization and check whether it is exempt or nonexempt. 81a: Enter direct or indirect political expenditures (See line 81 instructions). 81b: Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?

Part VI Other Information (continued)

Yes No

82a Did the organization receive donated services or the use of materials, equipment, or facilities at no charge or at substantially less than fair rental value?
82b If "Yes," you may indicate the value of these items here
83a Did the organization comply with the public inspection requirements for returns and exemption applications?
83b Did the organization comply with the disclosure requirements relating to quid pro quo contributions?
84a Did the organization solicit any contributions or gifts that were not tax deductible?
84b If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?
85 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations. a Were substantially all dues nondeductible by members?
85b Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?
85c Dues assessments, and similar amounts from members
85d Section 162(e) lobbying and political expenditures
85e Aggregate nondeductible amount of section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices
85f Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (line 85d less 85e)
85g Does the organization elect to pay the section 6033(e) tax on the amount on line 85f?
85h If section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices were sent, does the organization agree to add the amount on line 85f to its reasonable estimate of dues allocable to nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures for the following tax year?
86 501(c)(7) orgs. Enter a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 12
86b Gross receipts, included on line 12, for public use of club facilities
87 501(c)(12) orgs. Enter a Gross income from members or shareholders
87b Gross income from other sources
88a At any time during the year, did the organization own a 50% or greater interest in a taxable corporation or partnership, or an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3?
88b At any time during the year, did the organization directly or indirectly own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?
89a 501(c)(3) organizations Enter Amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911, section 4912, section 4955
89b 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) orgs. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or did it become aware of an excess benefit transaction from a prior year?
89c Enter Amount of tax imposed on the organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958
89d Enter Amount of tax on line 89c, above, reimbursed by the organization
89e All organizations. At any time during the tax year was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?
89f All organizations. Did the organization acquire direct or indirect interest in any applicable insurance contract?
89g For supporting organizations and sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did the supporting organization, or a fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year?

90a List the states with which a copy of this return is filed SC
90b Number of employees employed in the pay period that includes March 12, 2007 (See instructions) 3

91a The books are in care of IDA TIPTON Telephone no (843) 869-9004
PO BOX 1
Located at EDISTO ISLAND, SC ZIP + 4 29438

91b At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?
If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country
See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts

Part VI Other Information (continued)

c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the United States? **91c** Yes No

If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country

92 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041—Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year **92**

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

Note: Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated.

	Unrelated business income		Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514		(E) Related or exempt function income
	(A) Business code	(B) Amount	(C) Exclusion code	(D) Amount	
93 Program service revenue					
a _____					
b _____					
c _____					
d _____					
e _____					
f Medicare/Medicaid payments					
g Fees and contracts from government agencies					
94 Membership dues and assessments			25	130,705	
95 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments					11,566
96 Dividends and interest from securities					
97 Net rental income or (loss) from real estate					
a debt-financed property					
b non debt-financed property					
98 Net rental income or (loss) from personal property					
99 Other investment income					
100 Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory					
101 Net income or (loss) from special events					42,695
102 Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory					
103 Other revenue a _____					
b _____					
c _____					
d _____					
e _____					
104 Subtotal (add columns (B), (D), and (E))				130,705	54,261
105 Total (add line 104, columns (B), (D), and (E))					184,966

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

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

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

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

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

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

(a) Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? Yes No

(b) Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? Yes No

NOTE: If "Yes" to (b), file Form 8870 and Form 4720 (see instructions).

Part XI Information Regarding Transfers To and From Controlled Entities Complete only if the organization is a controlling organization as defined in section 512(b)(13)

				Yes	No
106 Did the reporting organization make any transfers to a controlled entity as defined in section 512(b)(13) of the Code? If "Yes," complete the schedule below for each controlled entity					No
	(A) Name and address of each controlled entity	(B) Employer Identification Number	(C) Description of transfer	(D) Amount of transfer	
a					
b					
c					
Totals					

				Yes	No
107 Did the reporting organization receive any transfers from a controlled entity as defined in section 512(b)(13) of the Code? If "Yes," complete the schedule below for each controlled entity					No
	(A) Name and address of each controlled entity	(B) Employer Identification Number	(C) Description of transfer	(D) Amount of transfer	
a					
b					
c					
Totals					





		Yes	No
108 Did the organization have a binding written contract in effect on August 17, 2006 covering the interests, rents, royalties and annuities described in question 107 above?			

Please Sign Here

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.

Signature of officer _____ Date 2008-05-25

ROBERT E LEE JUNIOR PRESIDENT
Type or print name and title _____

Paid Preparer's Use Only	Preparer's signature  FRANCIS H HORTON III	Date 2008-06-16	Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/>	Preparer's SSN or PTIN (See Gen Inst W)
	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4  GFH TAX AND ACCOUNTING GROUP LLC 107-A HILLCREST AVENUE SIMPSONVILLE, SC 29681	EIN 	Phone no  (864) 962-1040	

**SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or
990EZ)**

Organization Exempt Under Section 501(c)(3)

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

Supplementary Information—(See separate instructions.)

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MUST be completed by the above organizations and attached to their Form 990 or 990-EZ

Department of the
Treasury
Internal Revenue
Service

Name of the organization
EDISTO ISLAND OPEN LAND TRUST

Employer identification number

57-1007436

Part I Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Employees Other Than Officers, Directors, and Trustees
(See page 1 of the instructions. List each one. If there are none, enter "None.")

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

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

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

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

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

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

Yes No

<p>1 During the year, has the organization attempted to influence national, state, or local legislation, include any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum? If "Yes," enter the total expenses paid or incurred in connection with the lobbying activities ▶\$ _____(Must equal amounts on line 38, Part VI-A, or line 1 of Part VI-B)</p> <p>Organizations that made an election under section 501(h) by filing Form 5768 must complete Part VI-A Other organizations checking "Yes" must complete Part VI-B AND attach a statement giving a detailed description of the lobbying activities</p>	1		No
<p>2 During the year, has the organization, either directly or indirectly, engaged in any of the following acts with any substantial contributors, trustees, directors, officers, creators, key employees, or members of their families, or with any taxable organization with which any such person is affiliated as an officer, director, trustee, majority owner, or principal beneficiary? (If the answer to any question is "Yes," attach a detailed statement explaining the transactions.)</p> <p>a Sale, exchange, or leasing property?</p>	2a		No
<p>b Lending of money or other extension of credit?</p>	2b		No
<p>c Furnishing of goods, services, or facilities?</p>	2c		No
<p>d Payment of compensation (or payment or reimbursement of expenses if more than \$1,000)?</p>	2d		No
<p>e Transfer of any part of its income or assets?</p>	2e		No
<p>3a Did the organization make grants for scholarships, fellowships, student loans, etc ? (If "Yes," attach an explanation of how the organization determines that recipients qualify to receive payments)</p>	3a		No
<p>b Did the organization have a section 403(b) annuity plan for its employees?</p>	3b		No
<p>c Did the organization receive or hold an easement for conservation purposes, including easements to preserve open space, the environment , historic land areas or structures? If "Yes" attach a detailed statement</p>	3c	Yes	
<p>d Did the organization provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services?</p>	3d		No
<p>4a Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If "Yes," complete lines 4b through 4g If "No," complete lines 4f and 4g</p>	4a		No
<p>b Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?</p>	4b		
<p>c Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?</p>	4c		
<p>d Enter the total number of donor advised funds owned at the end of the tax year ▶ _____</p>			
<p>e Enter the aggregate value of assets held in all donor advised funds owned at the end of the tax year ▶ _____</p>			
<p>f Enter the total number of separate funds or accounts owned at the end of the tax year (excluding donor advised funds included on line 4d) where donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts ▶ 0 _____</p>			
<p>g Enter the aggregate value of assets held in all funds or accounts included on line 4f at the end of the tax year ▶ 0 _____</p>			

Part IV Reason for Non-Private Foundation Status (See pages 4 through 7 of the instructions.)I certify that the organization is not a private foundation because it is (Please check only **ONE** applicable box)

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

Provide the following information about the supported organizations. (see page 7 of the instructions.)

(a) Name(s) of supported organization(s)	(b) Employer identification number	(c) Type of organization (described in lines 5 through 12 above or IRC section)	(d) Is the supported organization listed in the supporting organization's governing documents?		(e) Amount of support?
			Yes	No	
Total					<input type="checkbox"/>

- 14** An organization organized and operated to test for public safety Section 509(a)(4) (See page 7 of the instructions)

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

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

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2006	(b) 2005	(c) 2004	(d) 2003	(e) Total
15 Gifts, grants, and contributions received (Do not include unusual grants See line 28)	2,331,619	160,790			2,492,409
16 Membership fees received	109,792				109,792
17 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or furnishing of facilities in any activity that is related to the organization's charitable, etc , purpose	38,646	8,178			46,824
18 Gross income from interest, dividends, amounts received from payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), rents, royalties, and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975	8,392	1,827			10,219
19 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 18					0
20 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to it or expended on its behalf					0
21 The value of services or facilities furnished to the organization by a governmental unit without charge Do not include the value of services or facilities generally furnished to the public without charge					0
22 Other income Attach a schedule Do not include gain or (loss) from sale of capital assets					0
23 Total of lines 15 through 22	2,488,449	170,795			2,659,244
24 Line 23 minus line 17	2,449,803	162,617			2,612,420
25 Enter 1% of line 23	24,884	1,708			
26 Organizations described on lines 10 or 11: a Enter 2% of amount in column (e), line 24					52,248
b Prepare a list for your records to show the name of and amount contributed by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) whose total gifts for 2002 through 2005 exceeded the amount shown in line 26a Do not file this list with your return. Enter the total of all these excess amounts					
c Total support for section 509(a)(1) test Enter line 24, column (e)					2,612,420
d Add Amounts from column (e) for lines 18 10,219 19 0					
22 26b					10,219
e Public support (line 26c minus line 26d total)					2,602,201
f Public support percentage (line 26e (numerator) divided by line 26c (denominator))					99.61%
27 Organizations described on line 12: a For amounts included in lines 15, 16, and 17 that were received from a "disqualified person," prepare a list for your records to show the name of, and total amounts received in each year from, each "disqualified person " Do not file this list with your return. Enter the sum of such amounts for each year (2006) (2005) (2004) (2003)					
b For any amount included in line 17 that was received from each person (other than "disqualified persons"), prepare a list for your records to show the name of, and amount received for each year, that was more than the larger of (1) the amount on line 25 for the year or (2) \$5,000 (Include in the list organizations described in lines 5 through 11b, as well as individuals) Do not file this list with your return. After computing the difference between the amount received and the larger amount described in (1) or (2), enter the sum of these differences (the excess amounts) for each year (2006) (2005) (2004) (2003)					
c Add Amounts from column (e) for lines 15 16					
17 20 21					
d Add Line 27a total and line 27b total					
e Public support (line 27c total minus line 27d total)					
f Total support for section 509(a)(2) test Enter amount from line 23, column (e)					
g Public support percentage (line 27e (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator))					
h Investment income percentage (line 18, column (e) (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator))					
28 Unusual Grants: For an organization described in line 10, 11, or 12 that received any unusual grants during 2002 through 2005, prepare a list for your records to show, for each year, the name of the contributor, the date and amount of the grant, and a brief description of the nature of the grant Do not file this list with your return. Do not include these grants in line 15					

Part V Private School Questionnaire (See page 7 of the instructions.)
(To be completed ONLY by schools that checked the box on line 6 in Part IV)

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

Part VI-A Lobbying Expenditures by Electing Public Charities (See page 9 of the instructions.)(To be completed **ONLY** by an eligible organization that filed Form 5768)Check **a** if the organization belongs to an affiliated group Check **b** if you checked "a" and "limited control" provisions apply**Limits on Lobbying Expenditures**

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

(a)
Affiliated group
totals**(b)**
To be completed
for all electing
organizations

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

Caution: If there is an amount on either line 43 or line 44, you must file Form 4720.**4-Year Averaging Period Under Section 501(h)**(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below
See the instructions for lines 45 through 50 on page 11 of the instructions)**Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period				
	(a) 2007	(b) 2006	(c) 2005	(d) 2004	(e) Total
45 Lobbying nontaxable amount					
46 Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 45(e))					
47 Total lobbying expenditures					
48 Grassroots nontaxable amount					
49 Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 48(e))					
50 Grassroots lobbying expenditures					

Part VI-B Lobbying Activity by Nonelecting Public Charities

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

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

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

Yes	No	Amount

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

Additional Data

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Form 990, Part II, Line 43 - Other expenses not covered above (itemize):

<i>Do not include amounts reported on line 6b, 8b, 9b, 10b, or 16 of Part I.</i>		(A) Total	(B) Program services	(C) Management and general	(D) Fundraising
a SPECIAL EVENTS	43a				
b EVENT EXPENSES	43b	2,684			2,684
c EXPENSES	43c				
d ACQUISITION FEES	43d	6,988	6,988		
e CONSULTANTS	43e	3,932	3,932		
f DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS	43f	1,417	1,417		
g EDUCATION	43g	1,115	1,115		
h INSURANCE	43h	2,700	2,700		
i LITTER & BEAUTIFICATION	43i	12,874	12,874		
j MISCELLANEOUS	43j	388	388		
k OFFICE SUPPLIES	43k	1,330	798	399	133
l PROFESSIONAL FEES	43l	8,985	5,390	2,696	899
m TECHNOLOGY	43m	2,596	1,558	778	260
n UTILITIES	43n	1,222	733	367	122
o WEB SITE	43o	2,626	1,575	788	263
p CORRIDOR MANAGEMENT PLAN	43p	17,322	17,322		

Form 990, Part V-A - Current Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees:

(A) Name and address	(B) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(C) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-.)	(D) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation plans	(E) Expense account and other allowances
ROBERT E LEE 18 FULTON ST CHARLESTON, SC 29401	PRESIDENT 000 0	0	0	0
DR RICHARD C HAGERTY 5 BEDONS ALLEY CHARLESTON, SC 29401	VICE PRES 000 0	0	0	0
FISHER C WALTER PO BOX 310 EDISTO ISLAND, SC 29438	TREASURER 000 0	0	0	0
ALEX S CRAWFORD 169 BROAD ST CHARLESTON, SC 29401	SECRETARY 000 0	0	0	0
ALBERT C MORRISON PO BOX 188 EDISTO ISLAND, SC 29438	BOARD 000 0	0	0	0
I JENKINS MIKELL JR 7927 CABIN CREEK RD HOPKIN, SC 29061	BOARD 000 0	0	0	0
DAVID LYBRAND 1405 PALMETTO BLVD EDISTO ISLAND, SC 29438	BOARD 000 0	0	0	0
CHALMERS POSTON 557 SAVANNAH HWY EDISTO ISLAND, SC 29407	BOARD 000 0	0	0	0
JAMES O KEMPSON PO BOX 127 EDISTO ISLAND, SC 29438	BOARD 000 0	0	0	0
ELLEN E UNGER PO BOX 549 EDISTO ISLAND, SC 29438	BOARD 000 0	0	0	0

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(A) Name and address	(B) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(C) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-.)	(D) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation plans	(E) Expense account and other allowances
RICHARD LANE BROWN 110 BELLINGER ST DANIEL ISLAND, SC 29492	BOARD 000 0	0	0	0
NANCY M SANDEL 3917 LYBRAND ST EDISTO BEACH, SC 29438	BOARD 000 0	0	0	0
KATHERINE RAVENEL PO BOX 730 EDISTO ISLAND, SC 29438	BOARD 000 0	0	0	0
CHUCK CALLAHAN PO BOX 1 EDISTO ISLAND, SC 29438	BOARD 000 0	0	0	0

TY 2007 Land etc. Schedule

Name: EDISTO ISLAND OPEN LAND TRUST

EIN: 57-1007436

Category/Item	Cost/Other Basis	Accumulated Depreciation	Book Value
LAND HELD FOR RESALE	380,000		380,000
CONSERVATION EASEMENTS	24,523,000		24,523,000
LAND	144,942		144,942

TY 2007 Other Assets Schedule

Name: EDISTO ISLAND OPEN LAND TRUST

EIN: 57-1007436

Description	Beginning of Year Amount	End of Year Amount
OTHER ASSETS	270	

TY 2007 Other Liabilities Schedule

Name: EDISTO ISLAND OPEN LAND TRUST

EIN: 57-1007436

Description	Beginning of Year Amount	End of Year Amount
NOTE PAYABLE	380,000	380,000

TY 2007 Special Events Schedule

Name: EDISTO ISLAND OPEN LAND TRUST

EIN: 57-1007436

Event Name	Gross Receipts	Contributions	Gross Revenue	Direct Expense	Net Income (Loss)
SPECIAL EVENTS	42,695		42,695		42,695
TOTAL	42,695		42,695		42,695

TY 2007**Conservation Easements**

Name: EDISTO ISLAND OPEN LAND TRUST

EIN: 57-1007436

Statement: 1. THE NUMBER OF EASEMENTS HELD AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR, THE ACREAGE 18 TOTAL EASMENTS, ALL IN SOUTH CAROLINA 2. THE NUMBER OF EASEMENTS AND THE ACREAGE OF THESE EASEMENTS THAT THE ORGANIZATION RECEIVED OR ACQUIRED DURING THE YEAR. 11 EASEMENTS WERE ACQUIRED IN 2007 FOR 420.9 ACRES. 3. THE NUMBER OF EASEMENTS MODIFIED, SOLD, TRANSFERRED, RELEASED, OR TERMINATED 4. SHOW THE NUMBER OF EASEMENTS HELD FOR EACH OF THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES: A. EASEMENTS ON BUILDINGS OR STRUCTURES; NONE B. EASEMENTS THAT ENCUMBER A GOLF COURSE OF A GOLF COURSE; NONE C. EASEMENTS WITHIN OR ADJACENT TO RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS...; NONE D. PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY/NOTICE 2004-41; NONE 5. THE NUMBER OF EASEMENTS AND THE ACREAGE OF THESE EASEMENTS THAT WERE MONITORED BY PHYSICAL INSPECTION OR OTHER MEANS DURING THE TAX YEAR. SKIDMORE EASEMENT 3.2 HIGHLAND 4.7 MARSH ACREAGE MONITORED 2007 MIDDLETON BUFFER EASEMENT 7.3 HIGHLAND ACREAGE MONITORED 2007 CARTER ISLAND EASEMENT 2.4 HIGH 2.0 MARSH ACREAGE MONITORED 2007 HUTTO TOOOGODOO EASEMENT 11.44 HIGH - MONITORED 2007 RANDELL SWAN MANSE RD. EASEMENT 3.988 HIGH - MONITORING DUE 2008 MICHAEL DAVID LOW EASEMENT LOT 1 2.06 HIGH 12.53 MARSH - MONITORING DUE 200 MICHAEL DAVID LOW EASEMENT LOT 2 3.65 HIGH 22.63 MARSH - MONITORING DUE 200 OLD SCHOOLHOUSE LOT 3 13.7 ACREAGE - BASELINE 2007 INDIGO FARMS 10.3 ACREAGE - BASELINE 2007 LITTLE BRITTON ROAD 65.6 ACREAGE - BASELINE 2007 SAN RUS 4 15.4 ACREAGE - BASELINE 2007 MELCHERS RUSSELL CREEK 21.9 ACREAGE - BASELINE 2007 SAN RUS 5 18.6 ACREAGE - BASELINE 2007 SAN RUS 3 18.0 ACREAGE - BASELINE 2007 CREEK FARM 77.6 ACREAGE - BASELINE 2007 6. TOTAL STAFF HOURS AND A LIST OF EXPENSES DEVOTED TO (LEGAL FEES, PORTION SALARY 4,308, CONSULTING 2,872, COSTS 8,657, TRAVEL 37 7. IDENTIFY ALL EASEMENTS...170(H)(4)(B); NONE