

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

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

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

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A For the 2025 calendar year, or tax year beginning, and ending

Header section containing organization name (COMO FRIENDS), address (1225 ESTABROOK DRIVE, SAINT PAUL, MN 55103), EIN (41-1943928), and other identifying information.

Part I Summary

Table with 3 columns: Description, Prior Year, Current Year. Rows include mission statement, governance metrics, revenue (Total: 5,414,890), expenses (Total: 6,993,104), and net assets (Total: 18,291,404).

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.

Signature block containing officer signature (KATHERINE HILL), preparer signature (PAT SIEVERT), and firm information (BOYUM & BARENSCHEER PLLP).

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions. [X] 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:

WE INSPIRE COMMUNITY GENEROSITY IN SUPPORT OF COMO PARK ZOO & CONSERVATORY SO IT THRIVES FOR GENERATIONS TO COME.

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ?

Yes No

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

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services?

Yes No

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

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

4a (Code:) (Expenses \$ 4,287,284 including grants of \$ 4,146,063) (Revenue \$)

COMO FRIENDS SECURES DONATIONS AND GENERATES RETAIL REVENUES TO INVEST IN COMO PARK ZOO & CONSERVATORY. INVESTMENTS SUPPORT NEW CAPITAL PROJECTS SUCH AS COMO HARBOR AND THE ORDWAY GARDENS, ANNUAL IMPROVEMENTS TO ANIMAL EXHIBITS AND GARDENS, CONSERVATION PARTNERSHIPS AROUND THE WORLD, PROGRESSIVE EDUCATION PROGRAMS AND FREE AND EQUITABLE ACCESS FOR ALL VISITORS. THE PAST DECADE OF TRANSFORMATIVE IMPROVEMENTS CHAMPIONED BY COMO FRIENDS HAVE MADE IT POSSIBLE FOR COMO TO MEET AND EXCEED BEST PRACTICE STANDARDS FOR ANIMAL CARE, GROW AND CURATE WORLD-CLASS HORTICULTURAL COLLECTIONS, AND TO PROVIDE FREE ADMISSION FOR ALL.

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4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ 942,776 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 1,712,882)

COMO FRIENDS OPERATES GARDEN SAFARI GIFTS IN THE VISITOR CENTER. THREE SATELLITE LOCATIONS ARE OPEN DURING THE SPRING, SUMMER AND FALL MONTHS. PROCEEDS ARE INVESTED AT COMO PARK ZOO & CONSERVATORY TO HELP COMO THRIVE TODAY AND FOR GENERATIONS TO COME.

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

N/A

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

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

4e Total program service expenses 5,230,060

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, Yes, No. Rows include questions 1 through 21 regarding organizational requirements for various schedules (A through H).

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Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, Yes, No. Rows 22-38 covering various organizational requirements.

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 Part V check

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, Yes, No. Rows 1a-1c regarding Form 1096, Forms W-2G, and backup withholding rules.

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance (continued)		Yes	No		
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	2a	57		
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns?	2b		X	
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	3a		X	
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation on Schedule O	3b		X	
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?	4a			X
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).				
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5a			X
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5b			X
c	If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	5c			
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?	6a			X
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	6b			
7	Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).				
a	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?	7a		X	
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7b		X	
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7c			X
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7d			
e	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7e			X
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7f			X
g	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7g			
h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	7h			
8	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business income during the year?	8			
9	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.				
a	Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?	9a			
b	Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	9b			
10	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:				
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a			
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b			
11	Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter:				
a	Gross income from members or shareholders	11a			
b	Gross income from other sources. (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	11b			
12a	Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12a			
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b			
13	Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.				
a	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? Note: See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.	13a			
b	Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans	13b			
c	Enter the amount of reserves on hand	13c			
14a	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14a			X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation on Schedule O	14b			
15	Is the organization subject to the section 4960 tax on payment(s) of more than \$1,000,000 in remuneration or excess parachute payment(s) during the year? If "Yes," see the instructions and file Form 4720, Schedule N.	15			X
16	Is the organization an educational institution subject to the section 4968 excise tax on net investment income? If "Yes," complete Form 4720, Schedule O.	16			X
17	Section 501(c)(21) organizations. Did the trust, or any disqualified or other person, engage in any activities that would result in the imposition of an excise tax under section 4951, 4952, or 4953? If "Yes," complete Form 6069.	17			

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

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

Section A. Governing Body and Management

Table with 5 columns: Question ID, Question Description, Sub-ID, Value, Yes, No. Rows include questions 1a through 9 regarding governing body members, relationships, and documentation.

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

Table with 5 columns: Question ID, Question Description, Sub-ID, Value, Yes, No. Rows include questions 10a through 16b regarding organizational policies on chapters, conflicts of interest, whistleblower, and compensation.

Section C. Disclosure

- 17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed MN
18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (1024 or 1024-A, if applicable), 990, and 990-T (section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.
19 Describe on Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.
20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records.

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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 the 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, box 6 of Form 1099-MISC, and/or box 1 of Form 1099-NEC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations. See the instructions for the order in which to list the persons above.

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

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted 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/1099-NEC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC)	(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) KATHERINE HILL (BEGAN 7/25)	45.00									
PRESIDENT/BOARD SEC	0.00			X			90,773	0	4,539	
(2) JACQUELINE STICHA (THRU 7/25)	45.00									
PRESIDENT/BOARD SEC	0.00			X			108,938	0	21,900	
(3) JEFFERY MUNDINGER	40.00									
DIRECTOR OF FINANCE	0.00				X		123,597	0	26,185	
(4) LAUREL LUNDBERG	40.00									
DIRECTOR OF GIVING	0.00				X		121,335	0	21,996	
(5) CAROLINE MEHLHOP	40.00									
DIRECTOR OF EVENTS	0.00				X		110,586	0	39,208	
(6) SUSANNAH BAUDHUIN	40.00									
CREATIVE DIRECTOR	0.00				X		105,990	0	20,263	
(7) ANDY DAVIS	4.00									
BOARD CHAIR	0.00	X		X			0	0	0	
(8) SHEILA BROWN	4.00									
BOARD VICE CHAIR	0.00	X		X			0	0	0	
(9) WENDY HARDEN	4.00									
BOARD TREASURER	0.00	X		X			0	0	0	
(10) ADAM PROCK	1.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X					0	0	0	
(11) AMY HICKS	1.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X					0	0	0	

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

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted 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/1099-NEC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC)	(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			
(12) ANNIE HUIDEKOPER	1.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X					0	0	0	
(13) BARB SHUMSKER	1.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X					0	0	0	
(14) DAVID MCKINNEY (THRU 9/25)	1.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X					0	0	0	
(15) ERIKA PERRAULT	1.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X					0	0	0	
(16) ERIN WACH	1.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X					0	0	0	
(17) FORD NICHOLSON	1.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X					0	0	0	
(18) GREG PEELMAN	1.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X					0	0	0	
(19) JANE GERBER	1.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X					0	0	0	
1b Subtotal							661,219		134,091	
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A										
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)							661,219		134,091	

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 5

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director, trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual	3	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? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual	4	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? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person	5	X

Section B. Independent Contractors

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

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation

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 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 dotted 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/1099-NEC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC)	(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			
(20) JEN SYVERSEN	1.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X					0	0	0	
(21) JOHN BAUER	1.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X					0	0	0	
(22) KARL HALLING	1.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X					0	0	0	
(23) KELLY BLOCH	1.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X					0	0	0	
(24) KELLY SAM	1.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X					0	0	0	
(25) LYNETTE PALMGREN	1.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X					0	0	0	
(26) PATRICIA KAUFMAN	1.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X					0	0	0	
(27) PETER EVERETT	1.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X					0	0	0	
1b Subtotal										
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A										
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)										

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

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director, trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	3	
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	4	
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>	5	

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

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

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

Table with 6 main columns: (A) Name and title, (B) Average hours per week, (C) Position, (D) Reportable compensation from the organization, (E) Reportable compensation from related organizations, (F) Estimated amount of other compensation. Rows include RENE E LEE, SHERYL ZAWORSKI, STEVE PROESCHEL, THERESA NEAL, and TOM FRATTALLONE.

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Summary table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows 3, 4, 5 regarding compensation reporting.

Section B. Independent Contractors

Table for independent contractors with 3 columns: (A) Name and business address, (B) Description of services, (C) Compensation. Includes a total row for the number of independent contractors.

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	1a Federated campaigns	1a					
	b Membership dues	1b	326,899				
	c Fundraising events	1c	455,913				
	d Related organizations	1d					
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e					
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	2,859,107				
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f	1g	\$ 115,140				
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f		3,641,919				
	Program Service Revenue	2a	Business Code				
b							
c							
d							
e							
f All other program service revenue							
g Total. Add lines 2a-2f							
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		280,092			280,092	
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds						
	5 Royalties						
	6a Gross rents	6a	(i) Real				
			(ii) Personal				
	b Less: rental expenses	6b					
	c Rental inc. or (loss)	6c					
	d Net rental income or (loss)						
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	7a	(i) Securities				
			(ii) Other				
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales exps.	7b					
	c Gain or (loss)	7c					
d Net gain or (loss)							
8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 455,913 of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	8a	139,761					
b Less: direct expenses	8b	378,621					
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events		-238,860			-238,860		
9a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	9a						
b Less: direct expenses	9b						
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities							
10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	10a	2,622,089					
b Less: cost of goods sold	10b	1,001,007					
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory		1,621,082	1,602,225	18,857			
Miscellaneous Revenue	11a OTHER INCOME	Business Code	900099	110,657	110,657		
	b						
	c						
	d All other revenue						
	e Total. Add lines 11a-11d		110,657				
12 Total revenue. See instructions		5,414,890	1,712,882	18,857	41,232		

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

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.	(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	4,146,063	4,146,063		
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	226,151	128,906	79,153	18,092
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	1,401,327	645,284	441,517	314,526
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	62,089	21,761	24,588	15,740
9 Other employee benefits	125,065	51,057	51,856	22,152
10 Payroll taxes	122,538	50,826	49,185	22,527
11 Fees for services (nonemployees):				
a Management				
b Legal	11,220		11,220	
c Accounting	97,250	5,920	91,330	
d Lobbying	64,842	64,842		
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 Schedule O.)	102,967	640	76,999	25,328
12 Advertising and promotion				
13 Office expenses	223,129	38,842	55,007	129,280
14 Information technology				
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	186,747	30,834	89,242	66,671
17 Travel				
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings				
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	37,967	11,720	26,247	
23 Insurance				
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (List miscellaneous expenses on line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A), amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a OTHER EXPENSES	105,753	26,537	61,616	17,600
b REPAIRS, MAINT, & TECH	58,021	4,956	53,065	
c EVENT AND PROGRAM COSTS	21,975	1,872	6,467	13,636
d				
e All other expenses				
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	6,993,104	5,230,060	1,117,492	645,552
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 <input type="checkbox"/> 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	463,632	1	579,448
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	825,202	2	811,996
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	903,358	3	1,035,434
	4 Accounts receivable, net		4	
	5 Loans and other receivables from any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons		5	
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use	362,709	8	492,461
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	66,039	9	48,490
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 395,928		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 243,083	146,427	10c 152,845
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities		11	
	12 Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11	5,229,697	12	5,030,291
	13 Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	10,953,811	15	11,582,681
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 33)	18,950,875	16	19,733,646	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	155,833	17	1,438,278
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue	3,362	19	3,964
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part V of Schedule J		21	
	22 Loans and other payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D		25	
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	159,195	26	1,442,242
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.			
	27 Net assets without donor restrictions	6,951,049	27	5,646,347
	28 Net assets with donor restrictions	11,840,631	28	12,645,057
	Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 29 through 33.			
	29 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		29	
	30 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		30	
	31 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		31	
	32 Total net assets or fund balances	18,791,680	32	18,291,404
33 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	18,950,875	33	19,733,646	

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	5,414,890
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	6,993,104
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-1,578,214
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))	4	18,791,680
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	30,663
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain on Schedule O)	9	1,047,275
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 32, column (B))	10	18,291,404

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 on 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 on 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 Uniform Guidance, 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Subpart F?		X
b If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why on Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits		

**SCHEDULE A
(Form 990)**

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.

OMB No. 1545-0047

2025

**Open to Public
Inspection**

Name of the organization

COMO FRIENDS

Employer identification number

41-1943928

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).** (Attach Schedule E (Form 990).)
- 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).** Enter the hospital's name, city, and state:
- 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).** (Complete Part II.)
- 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).** (Complete Part II.)
- 8 A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
- 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 (see instructions). Enter the name, city, and state of the college or university:
- 10 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 (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2).** (Complete Part III.)
- 11 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4).**
- 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).** See **section 509(a)(3).** Check the box on lines 12a through 12d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 12e, 12f, and 12g.
 - a **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization. **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
 - b **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
 - c **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
 - d **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization must generally satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
 - 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).

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-10 above (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
(A)						
(B)						
(C)						
(D)						
(E)						
Total						

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) 2021	(b) 2022	(c) 2023	(d) 2024	(e) 2025	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	2,912,480	3,366,231	3,770,292	2,700,046	3,641,919	16,390,968
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	2,912,480	3,366,231	3,770,292	2,700,046	3,641,919	16,390,968
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)						1,073,732
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						15,317,236

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2021	(b) 2022	(c) 2023	(d) 2024	(e) 2025	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	2,912,480	3,366,231	3,770,292	2,700,046	3,641,919	16,390,968
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources	7,619	1,349	245,332	327,469	280,092	861,861
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on	6,069	4,908		23,787	18,857	53,521
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)			93,058	99,059	110,657	302,774
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						17,609,124

12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions) **12** 10,432,027

13 First 5 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

14 Public support percentage for 2025 (line 6, column (f), divided by line 11, column (f))	14	86.98%
15 Public support percentage from 2024 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	86.17%
16a 33 1/3% support test — 2025. 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
b 33 1/3% support test — 2024. 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 — 2025. 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 — 2024. 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

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2021, (b) 2022, (c) 2023, (d) 2024, (e) 2025, (f) Total. Rows include: 1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received; 2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed; 3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business; 4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit; 5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit; 6 Total; 7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons; 7b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons; 7c Add lines 7a and 7b; 8 Public support.

Section B. Total Support

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2021, (b) 2022, (c) 2023, (d) 2024, (e) 2025, (f) Total. Rows include: 9 Amounts from line 6; 10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources; 10b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975; 10c Add lines 10a and 10b; 11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included on line 10b; 12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets; 13 Total support; 14 First 5 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

Table with 3 columns: Description, Amount, Percentage. Row 15: Public support percentage for 2025 (line 8, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f)) - 15 - %; Row 16: Public support percentage from 2024 Schedule A, Part III, line 15 - 16 - %

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

Table with 3 columns: Description, Amount, Percentage. Row 17: Investment income percentage for 2025 (line 10c, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f)) - 17 - %; Row 18: Investment income percentage from 2024 Schedule A, Part III, line 17 - 18 - %

- 19a 33 1/3% support tests — 2025. 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 — 2024. 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 on line 12 of Part I. If you checked box 12a, Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked box 12b, Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked box 12c, Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked box 12d, 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 lines 3b and 3c 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 box 12a or 12b in Part I, answer lines 4b and 4c 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 lines 5b and 5c 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 (as 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).</i>		
8 Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described on line 7? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990).</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 on 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 on 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 line 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)

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 11: Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons? Sub-rows 11a, 11b, 11c.

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 1: Did the governing body, members of the governing body, officers acting in their official capacity, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees at all times during the tax year? Row 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?

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 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)?

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 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? Row 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? Row 3: By reason of the relationship described on line 2, above, 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?

Section E. Type III Functionally Integrated Supporting Organizations

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 1: Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions). Sub-rows a, b, c. Row 2: Activities Test. Answer lines 2a and 2b below. Sub-rows a, b. Row 3: Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer lines 3a, 3b, and 3c below. Sub-rows a, b, c.

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 0.015 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 0.035.	6	
7	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7	
8	Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6)	8	

Section C – Distributable Amount			Current Year
1	Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, column A)	1	
2	Enter 0.85 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 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	1
2 Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	2
3 Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	3
4 Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	4
5 Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required—provide details in Part VI)	5
6 Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 5.	6
7 Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI). See instructions.	7
8 Distributable amount for 2025 from Section C, line 6	8
9 Line 7 amount divided by line 8 amount	9

Section E – Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2025	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2025
1 Distributable amount for 2025 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2025 (reasonable cause required—explain in Part VI). See instructions.			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2025			
a From 2020			
b From 2021			
c From 2022			
d From 2023			
e From 2024			
f Total of lines 3a through 3e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2025 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2020 not applied (see instructions)			
j Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from line 3f.			
4 Distributions for 2025 from Section D, line 6: \$			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b Applied to 2025 distributable amount			
c Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from line 4.			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2025, 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 2025. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.			
7 Excess distributions carryover to 2026. Add lines 3j and 4c.			
8 Breakdown of line 7:			
a Excess from 2021			
b Excess from 2022			
c Excess from 2023			
d Excess from 2024			
e Excess from 2025			

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, 3b, and 3c; Part V, line 1; Part V, Section B, line 1e; Part V, Section D, lines 5 and 7; and Part V, Section E, lines 2, 5, and 6. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions.)

PART II, LINE 10 - OTHER INCOME DETAIL

\$ 302,774

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SCHEDULE C (Form 990)

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

OMB No. 1545-0047

2025

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For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under Section 501(c) and Section 527

Complete if the organization is described below. Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then:

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations: Complete Parts I-A and I-B. Do not complete Part I-C.
Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations: Complete Parts I-A and I-C below. Do not complete Part I-B.
Section 527 organizations: Complete Part I-A only.

If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities), then:

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-A. Do not complete Part II-B.
Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-B. Do not complete Part II-A.

If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 5 (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions), or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 35c (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions), then:

- Section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations: Complete Part III.

Name of organization: COMO FRIENDS; Employer identification number (EIN): 41-1943928

Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.

- 1 Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV. See instructions for definition of "political campaign activities."
2 Political campaign activity expenditures. See instructions \$
3 Volunteer hours for political campaign activities. See instructions

Part I-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3).

- 1 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955 \$
2 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 \$
3 If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? Yes No
4a Was a correction made? Yes No
b If "Yes," describe in Part IV.

Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).

- 1 Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities \$
2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities \$
3 Total exempt function expenditures. Add lines 1 and 2. Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b \$
4 Did the filing organization file Form 1120-POL for this year? Yes No
5 Enter the names, addresses, and EINs of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments. For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization's funds. Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC). If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV.

Table with 5 columns: (a) Name, (b) Address, (c) EIN, (d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds, (e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization. Rows 1-6 are empty.

Part II-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

- A** Check if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group (and list in Part IV each affiliated group member's name, address, EIN, expenses, and share of excess lobbying expenditures).
- B** Check if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply.

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures
(The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)

	(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals												
1a Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grassroots lobbying)	0													
b Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)	64,842													
c Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)	64,842													
d Other exempt purpose expenditures	6,928,262													
e Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)	6,993,104													
f Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns	499,655													
<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 30%;">IF the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b), is:</th> <th>THEN the lobbying nontaxable amount is:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>not over \$500,000</td> <td>20% of the amount on line 1e.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000</td> <td>\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000</td> <td>\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$1,000,000.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>			IF the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b), is:	THEN the lobbying nontaxable amount is:	not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e.	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.
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not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e.													
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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.													
g Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)	124,914													
h Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0-	0													
i Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0-	0													
j If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No												

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 separate instructions for lines 2a through 2f.)

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Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2022	(b) 2023	(c) 2024	(d) 2025	(e) Total
2a Lobbying nontaxable amount	349,645	364,023	394,155	499,655	1,607,478
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column (e))					2,411,217
c Total lobbying expenditures	57,200	57,200	62,348	64,842	241,590
d Grassroots nontaxable amount	87,411	91,006	98,539	124,914	401,870
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					602,805
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures				0	

Part II-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and has NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

For each "Yes" response on lines 1a through 1i below, provide in Part IV a detailed description of the lobbying activity.

Table with 3 main columns: (a) Yes/No, (b) Amount. Rows include questions 1 through 2d regarding lobbying activities and tax implications.

Part III-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include questions 1 through 3 regarding dues, lobbying expenditures, and carryover.

Part III-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) and if either (a) BCTJ Part II-A, lines 1 and 2, are answered "No;" or (b) Part III-A, line 3, is answered "Yes."

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include questions 1 through 5 regarding dues, nondeductible lobbying expenditures, and taxable amounts.

Part IV Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1; Part I-B, line 4; Part I-C, line 5; Part II-A (affiliated group list); Part II-A, lines 1 and 2 (see instructions); and Part II-B, line 1. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

Series of horizontal dotted lines for providing supplemental information.

Part IV Supplemental Information *(continued)*

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SCHEDULE D (Form 990) (Rev. December 2024) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements

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

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COMO FRIENDS

Employer identification number

41-1943928

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.

Table with 2 columns: (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include: 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?, 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?

Part II Conservation Easements

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

Table with 2 columns: (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include: 1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply), 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. (Sub-rows 2a-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?, 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 2d above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B) (i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)?, 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.

Table with 2 columns: (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include: 1a If the organization elected, as permitted under FASB ASC 958, not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide in Part XIII the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items. 1b If the organization elected, as permitted under FASB ASC 958, to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items. (i) Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1, (ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X. 2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under FASB ASC 958 relating to these items. a Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1, b Assets included in Form 990, Part X.

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

- 3** Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that make significant use of its collection items (check all that apply).
- a** Public exhibition
 - b** Scholarly research
 - c** Preservation for future generations
 - d** Loan or exchange program
 - 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 in 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	10,953,811	10,574,440	10,200,250	11,020,416	9,315,085
b Contributions				619,380	283,687
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses	1,041,274	796,439	772,867	-1,039,328	1,879,777
d Grants or scholarships	442,043	417,118	398,677	400,218	381,958
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					76,180
g End of year balance	11,559,042	10,953,811	10,574,440	10,200,250	11,020,416

- 2** Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:
- a** Board designated or quasi-endowment **1.38 %**
 - b** Permanent endowment %
 - c** Term endowment **98.62 %**
- 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? | | X |
| (ii) Related organizations? | | X |
- b** If "Yes" on line 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?

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		159,546	86,916	72,630
d Equipment		204,738	133,880	70,858
e Other		31,644	22,287	9,357
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 10c, column (B))				152,845

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 CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT	5,030,291	COST
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 12, col. (B))	5,030,291	

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. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 13, col. (B))		

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) BENEFICIAL INT IN ASSETS HELD BY OTH	11,559,042
(2) INTEREST RECEIVABLE	23,639
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 15, col. (B))	11,582,681

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, line 25, col. (B))	

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

Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return

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

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	6,808,124
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:		
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a	
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	30,663
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	1,362,571
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	1,393,234
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	5,414,890
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)	5	5,414,890

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.

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	7,308,400
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Other losses	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	315,296
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	315,296
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	6,993,104
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)	5	6,993,104

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.

PART V, LINE 4 - INTENDED USES FOR ENDOWMENT FUNDS

THE ORGANIZATION'S ENDOWMENT CONSISTS PRIMARILY OF FOUR CHARITABLE FUNDS ESTABLISHED FOR A VARIETY OF PURPOSES. ITS ENDOWMENT INCLUDES BOTH DONOR-RESTRICTED ENDOWMENT FUNDS AND FUNDS DESIGNATED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO FUNCTION AS ENDOWMENTS.

PART X - LINE 2 - FIN 48 FOOTNOTE

THE ORGANIZATION HAS NOT BEEN RECENTLY AUDITED; AND ACCORDINGLY, THE INFORMATION TAX RETURNS FOR THE PAST THREE YEARS ARE OPEN TO EXAMINATION. MANAGEMENT HAS EVALUATED ITS TAX POSITIONS AND HAS CONCLUDED THAT THEY DO NOT RESULT IN ANYTHING THAT WOULD REQUIRE EITHER RECORDING OR DISCLOSURE IN THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

PART XI, LINE 2D - REVENUE AMOUNTS INCLUDED IN FINANCIALS - OTHER

CHANGE IN BENEFICIAL INTEREST IN ASSETS HELD BY OTHERS \$ 1,047,275
 FUNDRAISER EXPENSE MOVED TO 8B \$ 315,296

PART XII, LINE 2D - EXPENSE AMOUNTS INCLUDED IN FINANCIALS - OTHER

FUNDRAISER EXPENSE MOVED TO 8B \$ 315,296

Part XIII Supplemental Information *(continued)*

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**SCHEDULE G
(Form 990)**

(Rev. December 2024)
Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information Regarding Fundraising or Gaming Activities

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 17, 18, or 19; or if the organization entered more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

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Name of the organization

COMO FRIENDS

Employer identification number

41-1943928

Part I Fundraising Activities. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 17. Form 990-EZ filers are not required to complete this part.

1 Indicate whether the organization raised funds through any of the following activities. Check all that apply.

- a Mail solicitations
- b Internet and email solicitations
- c Phone solicitations
- d In-person solicitations
- e Solicitation of nongovernment grants
- f Solicitation of government grants
- g Special fundraising events

2a Did the organization have a written or oral agreement with any individual (including officers, directors, trustees, or key employees listed in Form 990, Part VII) or entity in connection with professional fundraising services? Yes No

b If "Yes," list the 10 highest paid individuals or entities (fundraisers) pursuant to agreements under which the fundraiser is to be compensated at least \$5,000 by the organization.

	(i) Name and address of individual or entity (fundraiser)	(ii) Activity	(iii) Did fundraiser have custody or control of contributions?		(iv) Gross receipts from activity	(v) Amount paid to (or retained by) fundraiser listed in col. (i)	(vi) Amount paid to (or retained by) organization
			Yes	No			
1							
2							
3							
4							
5							
6							
7							
8							
9							
10							
Total							

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3 List all states in which the organization is registered or licensed to solicit contributions or has been notified it is exempt from registration or licensing.

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Part II Fundraising Events. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 18, or reported more than \$15,000 of fundraising event contributions and gross income on Form 990-EZ, lines 1 and 6b. List events with gross receipts greater than \$5,000.

		(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other events	(d) Total events
		<u>SUNSET AFFAIR</u> (event type)	<u>BOUQUETS</u> (event type)	<u>1</u> (total number)	(add col. (a) through col. (c))
Revenue	1 Gross receipts	466,863	106,224	22,587	595,674
	2 Less: Contributions	383,363	64,357	8,193	455,913
	3 Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)	83,500	41,867	14,394	139,761
Direct Expenses	4 Cash prizes				
	5 Noncash prizes				
	6 Rent/facility costs				
	7 Food and beverages	62,104	509	112	62,725
	8 Entertainment	300	300		600
	9 Other direct expenses	159,467	110,536	45,293	315,296
	10 Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d)				378,621
11 Net income summary. Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d)				-238,860	

Part III Gaming. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 19, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

		(a) Bingo	(b) Pull tabs/instant bingo/progressive bingo	(c) Other gaming	(d) Total gaming (add col. (a) through col. (c))
		1 Gross revenue			
Direct Expenses	2 Cash prizes				
	3 Noncash prizes				
	4 Rent/facility costs				
	5 Other direct expenses				
	6 Volunteer labor	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes % <input type="checkbox"/> No	
7 Direct expense summary. Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d)					
8 Net gaming income summary. Subtract line 7 from line 1, column (d)					

9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization conducts gaming activities:

a Is the organization licensed to conduct gaming activities in each of these states? Yes No

b If "No," explain:

10a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended, or terminated during the tax year? Yes No

b If "Yes," explain:

**SCHEDULE I
(Form 990)**

(Rev. December 2024)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

**Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,
Governments, and Individuals in the United States**
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.
Attach to Form 990.

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Name of the organization

COMO FRIENDS

Employer identification number

41-1943928

Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance

- 1 Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? Yes No
- 2 Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States.

Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

1	(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section (if applicable)	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of noncash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of noncash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
(1)	CITY OF SAINT PAUL 15 WEST KELLOGG BOULEVARD SAINT PAUL MN 55102		GOV	4,146,063				SEE SUPP INFORMATION
(2)								
(3)								
(4)								
(5)								
(6)								
(7)								
(8)								
(9)								

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- 2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table 1
- 3 Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table 0

Part III Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 22.
Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of noncash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of noncash assistance
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					

Part IV Supplemental Information. Provide the information required in Part I, line 2; Part III, column (b); and any other additional information.

PART I, LINE 2 - PROCEDURES FOR MONITORING THE USE OF GRANT FUNDS
 COMO FRIENDS MONITORS THE COMPLETION OF PROJECTS AND PROGRAM
 ACCOMPLISHMENTS FUNDED BY ITS GRANTS TO COMO PARK ZOO AND CONSERVATORY
 THROUGH REGULAR COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE COMO CAMPU'S MANAGER, ANNUAL
 REPORTS COMPILED BY THE COMO FRIENDS PRESIDENT, AND REVIEW BY THE BOARD OF
 DIRECTORS. THE GRANTS COMMITTEE ALSO ANNUALLY REVIEWS REPORTS SHOWING
 PROGRESS OF PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS FUNDED BY COMO FRIENDS.

PART IV - ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
 PART II, LINE 1, COLUMN H - COMO PARK ZOO AND CONSERVATORY

**SCHEDULE M
(Form 990)**

Noncash Contributions

OMB No. 1545-0047

2025

Complete if the organizations answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 29 or 30.

Attach to Form 990.

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Name of the organization

COMO FRIENDS

Employer identification number

41-1943928

Part I Types of Property

	(a) Check if applicable	(b) Number of contributions or items contributed	(c) Noncash contribution amounts reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g	(d) Method of determining noncash contribution amounts
1 Art — Works of art	X	32	7,975	FAIR MARKET VALUE
2 Art — Historical treasures				
3 Art — Fractional interests				
4 Books and publications	X		199	FAIR MARKET VALUE
5 Clothing and household goods	X		1,135	FAIR MARKET VALUE
6 Cars and other vehicles				
7 Boats and planes				
8 Intellectual property				
9 Securities — Publicly traded				
10 Securities — Closely held stock				
11 Securities — Partnership, LLC, or trust interests				
12 Securities — Miscellaneous				
13 Qualified conservation contribution — Historic structures				
14 Qualified conservation contribution — Other				
15 Real estate — Residential				
16 Real estate — Commercial				
17 Real estate — Other				
18 Collectibles				
19 Food inventory	X	105	39,380	FAIR MARKET VALUE
20 Drugs and medical supplies				
21 Taxidermy				
22 Historical artifacts				
23 Scientific specimens				
24 Archeological artifacts				
25 Other (PLANTS)	X	11	1,953	FAIR MARKET VALUE
26 Other (JEWELRY)	X	11	11,643	FAIR MARKET VALUE
27 Other (GIFT CARDS)	X	113	17,578	FAIR MARKET VALUE
28 Other (OTHER)	X	133	35,277	FAIR MARKET VALUE

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29	Number of Forms 8283 received by the organization during the tax year for contributions for which the organization completed Form 8283, Part V, Donee Acknowledgment	29	0
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	Yes	No
30a		X
31	X	
32a	X	
33		

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990.

Schedule M (Form 990) 2025

Part II Supplemental Information. Provide the information required by Part I, lines 30b, 32b, and 33, and whether the organization is reporting in Part I, column (b), the number of contributions, the number of items received, or a combination of both. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

PART I, LINE 32B - THIRD PARTY USED TO PROCESS NONCASH CONTRIBUTIONS
COMO FRIENDS HIRES AN ELECTRONIC BIDDING VENDOR TO FACILITATE THE SILENT
AUCTION AT TWO OF OUR EVENTS, SUNSET AFFAIR AND BOUQUETS. COMO FRIENDS ALSO
USES A STOCKBROKER TO SELL DONATED SECURITIES UPON RECEIPT.

SCHEDULE M - SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION
THE NUMBER IN COLUMN (B) IS THE NUMBER OF CONTRIBUTIONS.

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**SCHEDULE O
(Form 990)**

(Rev. December 2024)

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 Form 990-EZ.

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

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Name of the organization

COMO FRIENDS

Employer identification number

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FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 8B - DOCUMENTATION BY COMMITTEE EXPLANATION
THERE IS NO COMMITTEE WITH THE AUTHORITY TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNING
BODY.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 11B - ORGANIZATION'S PROCESS TO REVIEW FORM 990
FORM 990 IS REVIEWED BY MANAGEMENT AND THE FINANCE AND INVESTMENT
COMMITTEE. THE COMMITTEES RECOMMENDS APPROVAL TO THE FULL BOARD. THE BOARD
DISCUSSES AND APPROVES FORM 990 (ALONG WITH STATE CHARITABLE FILINGS)
BEFORE THEY ARE FILED.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 12C - ENFORCEMENT OF CONFLICTS POLICY
AT THE START OF EACH YEAR, ALL EMPLOYEES AND BOARD MEMBERS ARE REQUIRED TO
REVIEW THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY, DISCLOSE ANY RELATIONSHIPS
POSITIONS, OR CIRCUMSTANCES THEY ARE INVOLVED IN THAT MAY CONTRIBUTE TO A
CONFLICT OF INTEREST, AND SIGN AND DATE THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST FORM.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 15A - COMPENSATION PROCESS FOR TOP OFFICIAL
COMO FRIENDS HAD A COMPENSATION PLAN DEVELOPED IN 2022 TO BENCHMARK
SALARIES FOR EACH POSITION. THE COMPENSATION PLAN IS ANNUALLY UPDATED TO
REFLECT INCREASES IN THE COST OF LIVING AND INCLUDES EXTERNAL THIRD-PARTY
SALARY DATA FOR COMPARABLE POSITIONS. THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REVIEWS
DATA FROM THE COMPENSATION PLAN, GUIDELINES ESTABLISHED BY MANAGEMENT FOR
ANNUAL INCREASES, AND PROGRESS ON ANNUAL GOALS TO SET THE EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR'S PAY. THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR USES THE SAME DATA TO SET THE PAY
FOR STAFF.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 15B - COMPENSATION PROCESS FOR OFFICERS
COMO FRIENDS HAD A COMPENSATION PLAN DEVELOPED IN 2022 TO BENCHMARK
SALARIES FOR EACH POSITION. THE COMPENSATION PLAN IS ANNUALLY UPDATED TO
REFLECT INCREASES IN THE COST OF LIVING. COMPENSATION FOR KEY EMPLOYEES IS
SET BASED ON DATA FROM THE COMPENSATION PLAN, GUIDELINES ESTABLISHED BY
MANAGEMENT FOR ANNUAL INCREASES, AND PROGRESS ON ANNUAL GOALS .

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 19 - GOVERNING DOCUMENTS DISCLOSURE EXPLANATION
THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND FORM 990 ARE POSTED ON COMO FRIENDS
WEBSITE. OTHER DOCUMENTS ARE MADE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST. DOCUMENTS ARE
ALSO PROVIDED TO MONITORING ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS THE CHARITIES REVIEW
COUNCIL.

FORM 990, PART XI, LINE 9 - OTHER CHANGES IN NET ASSETS EXPLANATION
INCREASE IN BENEFICIAL INTERESTS \$ 1,047,275

**SCHEDULE G
(Form 990 or
990-EZ)**

Fundraising Other Events

2025

For calendar year 2025, or tax year beginning , and ending

Name
COMO FRIENDS

Employer Identification Number
41-1943928

		(a) Other event	(b) Other event	(c) Other event	(d) Total other events
		<u>OTHER EVENTS</u>	_____	_____	(add col. (a) through
		(event type)	(event type)	(event type)	col. (c))
Revenue	1 Gross receipts	22,587			22,587
	2 Less: Charitable contributions	8,193			8,193
	3 Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)	14,394			14,394
Direct Expenses	4 Cash prizes				
	5 Noncash prizes				
	6 Rent/facility costs				
	7 Food/beverages	112			112
	8 Entertainment				
	9 Other expenses	45,293			45,293

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Taxable Interest on Investments

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Unrelated Business</u>	<u>Exclusion Code</u>	<u>Postal Code</u>	<u>Acquired after 6/30/75</u>	<u>US Obs (\$ or %)</u>
INTEREST INCOME	\$ 280,092		1			
TOTAL	<u>\$ 280,092</u>					

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Form 990, Part IX, Line 11g - Other Fees for Service (Non-employee)

<u>Description</u>	<u>Total Expenses</u>	<u>Program Service</u>	<u>Management & General</u>	<u>Fund Raising</u>
OTHER FEES	\$ 102,967	\$ 640	\$ 76,999	\$ 25,328
TOTAL	\$ 102,967	\$ 640	\$ 76,999	\$ 25,328

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Federal Statements

SUNSET AFFAIR

Other Direct Fundraising or Gaming Expenses

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
OTHER DIRECT EXPENSES	\$ <u>159,467</u>
TOTAL	\$ <u><u>159,467</u></u>

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Bouquets

Other Direct Fundraising or Gaming Expenses

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
OTHER DIRECT COSTS	\$ <u>110,536</u>
TOTAL	\$ <u><u>110,536</u></u>

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PART IV-A&B-DONATED SERVICES

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
OFFICE FACILITIES	\$ 1,186
GIFT SHOP FACILITIES	29,477
TOTAL	<u>\$ 30,663</u>

Expenses-donated services

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
GIFT SHOP AND OFFICE FACILITIE	\$
TOTAL	<u>\$ 0</u>

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Form 990	Two Year Comparison Report	2024 & 2025
For calendar year 2025, or tax year beginning _____, ending _____		

Name: **COMO FRIENDS** Taxpayer Identification Number: **41-1943928**

		2024	2025	Differences
Revenue	1. Contributions, gifts, grants	2,390,940	3,315,020	924,080
	2. Membership dues and assessments	309,106	326,899	17,793
	3. Government contributions and grants			
	4. Program service revenue			
	5. Investment income	327,469	280,092	-47,377
	6. Proceeds from tax exempt bonds			
	7. Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory			
	8. Net income or (loss) from fundraising events	-259,971	-238,860	21,111
	9. Net income or (loss) from gaming			
	10. Net gain or (loss) on sales of inventory	1,580,935	1,621,082	40,147
	11. Other revenue	99,059	110,657	11,598
	12. Total revenue. Add lines 1 through 11	4,447,538	5,414,890	967,352
Expenses	13. Grants and similar amounts paid	2,288,579	4,146,063	1,857,484
	14. Benefits paid to or for members			
	15. Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc.	205,358	226,151	20,793
	16. Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	1,602,858	1,711,019	108,161
	17. Professional fundraising fees			
	18. Other professional fees	213,495	276,279	62,784
	19. Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	176,740	186,747	10,007
	20. Depreciation and Depletion	35,557	37,967	2,410
	21. Other expenses	360,516	408,878	48,362
	22. Total expenses. Add lines 13 through 21	4,883,103	6,993,104	2,110,001
	23. Excess or (Deficit). Subtract line 22 from line 12	-435,565	-1,578,214	-1,142,649
Other Information	24. Total exempt revenue	4,447,538	5,414,890	967,352
	25. Total unrelated revenue	23,787	18,857	-4,930
	26. Total excludable revenue	1,723,705	1,754,114	30,409
	27. Total assets	18,950,875	19,733,646	782,771
	28. Total liabilities	159,195	1,442,242	1,283,047
	29. Retained earnings	18,791,680	18,291,404	-500,276
	30. Number of voting members of governing body	22	25	
	31. Number of independent voting members of governing body	22	25	
	32. Number of employees	62	57	
	33. Number of volunteers	160	175	