

Form **8868**
(Rev. January 2025)

**Application for Extension of Time To File an Exempt Organization
Return or Excise Taxes Related to Employee Benefit Plans**

OMB No. 1545-0047

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

**File a separate application for each return.
Go to www.irs.gov/Form8868 for the latest information.**

Electronic filing (e-file). You can electronically file Form 8868 to request up to a 6-month extension of time to file any of the forms listed below except for Form 8870, Information Return for Transfers Associated With Certain Personal Benefit Contracts. An extension request for Form 8870 must be sent to the IRS in a paper format (see instructions). For more details on the electronic filing of Form 8868, visit www.irs.gov/e-file-providers/e-file-for-charities-and-non-profits.

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

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

Part I - Identification

| | | |
|----------------------|--|---|
| Type or Print | Name of exempt organization, employer, or other filer, see instructions. NORTH CAROLINA COASTAL FEDERATION INC | Taxpayer identification number (TIN) 58-1494098 |
| | Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions. 3609 HIGHWAY 24 | |
| | City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions. NEWPORT, NC 28570 | |

Enter the Return Code for the return that this application is for (file a separate application for each return) **01**

| Application Is For | Return Code | Application Is For | Return Code |
|--|-------------|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Form 990 or Form 990-EZ | 01 | Form 4720 (other than individual) | 09 |
| Form 4720 (individual) | 03 | Form 5227 | 10 |
| Form 990-PF | 04 | Form 6069 | 11 |
| Form 990-T (sec. 401(a) or 408(a) trust) | 05 | Form 8870 | 12 |
| Form 990-T (trust other than above) | 06 | Form 5330 (individual) | 13 |
| Form 990-T (corporation) | 07 | Form 5330 (other than individual) | 14 |
| Form 1041-A | 08 | Form 990-T (governmental entities) | 15 |

• After you enter your Return Code, complete either Part II or Part III. Part III, including signature, is applicable only for an extension of time to file Form 5330.

• If this application is for an extension of time to file Form 5330, you must enter the following information.

Plan Name _____
Plan Number _____
Plan Year Ending (MM/DD/YYYY) _____

Part II - Automatic Extension of Time To File for Exempt Organizations (see instructions)

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3609 HWY 24 - NEWPORT, NC 28570

Telephone No. (252) 393-8185 Fax No. _____

- If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box
- If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four-digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) _____. If this is for the whole group, check this box If it is for part of the group, check this box ... and attach a list with the names and TINs of all members the extension is for.

1 I request an automatic 6-month extension of time until **NOVEMBER 15**, 20 **25**, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for:
 calendar year 20 **24** or
tax year beginning _____, 20 _____, and ending _____, 20 _____

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

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

For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see instructions.

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Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No. 1545-0047

Form 990

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)
Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.
Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

2024
Open to Public Inspection

A For the 2024 calendar year, or tax year beginning and ending
B Check if applicable:
C Name of organization: NORTH CAROLINA COASTAL FEDERATION INC
D Employer identification number: 58-1494098
E Telephone number: 252-393-8185
F Name and address of principal officer: BRAXTON DAVIS
G Gross receipts \$: 25,223,683.
H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates?
H(b) Are all subordinates included?
I Tax-exempt status: 501(c)(3)
J Website: NCCOAST.ORG
K Form of organization: Corporation
L Year of formation: 1982
M State of legal domicile: NC

Part I Summary
Table with columns: Activities & Governance, Revenue, Expenses, Net Assets or Fund Balances. Rows include mission statement, member counts, revenue breakdown, expenses, and net assets.

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 of officer: Braxton Davis
Date: 11/17/2025
Signature of preparer: Kathrine A. Warlick
Date: 11/16/25

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 [X]

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission: THE NORTH CAROLINA COASTAL FEDERATION EMPOWERS COASTAL RESIDENTS AND VISITORS FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE TO PROTECT AND RESTORE THE WATER QUALITY AND CRITICALLY IMPORTANT NATURAL HABITATS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA COAST.

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? [] Yes [X] No 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 [X] 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 \$ 20,507,300. including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 4,883.) OVER THE PAST 43 YEARS, THE NORTH CAROLINA COASTAL FEDERATION HAS WORKED ALONGSIDE COASTAL COMMUNITIES TO PROTECT AND RESTORE THE UNIQUE NORTH CAROLINA COAST. AS A MEMBER SUPPORTED NON-PROFIT THE COASTAL FEDERATION'S GOALS ARE OBTAINED THROUGH A VARIETY OF PROGRAMS AND PARTNERSHIPS WITH PEOPLE FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE. THROUGH EFFORTS FOR CLEAN COASTAL WATERS, LIVING SHORELINES, THRIVING OYSTERS, EFFECTIVE COASTAL MANAGEMENT, AND MARINE DEBRIS REMOVAL, THE FEDERATION AND NORTH CAROLINA'S COASTAL COMMUNITIES CONTINUE TO WORK TOGETHER FOR A HEALTHY COAST!

(CONTINUED ON SCHEDULE O)

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

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

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

4e Total program service expenses 20,507,300.

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Yes, No. Rows include questions 1 through 21 regarding organizational requirements and reporting.

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, Yes, No. Rows include questions 22 through 38 regarding organizational reporting, compensation, tax-exempt bonds, and controlled entities.

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

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

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

Table with columns for question number, question text, and Yes/No response boxes. Includes questions 2a through 17 regarding employee counts, tax returns, unrelated business income, foreign accounts, prohibited transactions, and charitable contributions.

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 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 1a Enter the number of voting members... 1b Enter the number of voting members included... 2 Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship... 3 Did the organization delegate control over management duties... 4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents... 5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets... 6 Did the organization have members or stockholders... 7a Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body... 7b Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body... 8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following: a The governing body? b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body? 9 Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses on Schedule O

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

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 10a Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates? 10b If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes? 11a Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form? 11b Describe on Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990. 12a Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13 12b Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts? 12c Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe on Schedule O how this was done 13 Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy? 14 Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy? 15 Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision? 15a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official 15b Other officers or key employees of the organization If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process on Schedule O. See instructions. 16a Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year? 16b If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?

Section C. Disclosure

- 17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed NC
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. [X] Own website [X] Another's website [X] Upon request [] Other (explain on Schedule O)
19 Describe on Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.
20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records
BRITTANY ELLENBERGER - (252)393-8185
3609 HWY 24, NEWPORT, NC 28570

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 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) BRAXTON DAVIS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (AS OF 2/1/24) | 40.00 | | | X | | | 165,403. | 0. | 0. | |
| (2) RACHAEL CARLYLE BUSINESS AND OPERATIONS DIRECTOR | 40.00 | | | | X | | 126,501. | 0. | 27,330. | |
| (3) LAUREN KOLODIJ DEPUTY DIRECTOR | 40.00 | | | | X | | 128,132. | 0. | 18,543. | |
| (4) ANA ZIVANOVIC NENADOVIC CHIEF PROGRAM DIRECTOR | 40.00 | | | | X | | 129,977. | 0. | 8,392. | |
| (5) SARAH KING CHIEF DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR | 40.00 | | | | X | | 125,989. | 0. | 10,903. | |
| (6) TODD MILLER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (THRU1/2024) | 40.00 | | | X | | | 27,710. | 0. | 1,104. | |
| (7) APRIL CLARK PRESIDENT | 0.50 | X | | X | | | 0. | 0. | 0. | |
| (8) DOUG WAKEMAN TREASURER | 0.50 | X | | X | | | 0. | 0. | 0. | |
| (9) SARAH WILLIAMS DIEHL SECRETARY | 0.50 | X | | | | | 0. | 0. | 0. | |
| (10) ALLIE SHEFFIELD BOARD MEMBER | 0.30 | X | | | | | 0. | 0. | 0. | |
| (11) ALLISON BESCH BOARD MEMBER | 0.30 | X | | | | | 0. | 0. | 0. | |
| (12) ANGIE WILLS BOARD MEMBER | 0.30 | X | | | | | 0. | 0. | 0. | |
| (13) CHARLES MEEKER BOARD MEMBER | 0.30 | X | | | | | 0. | 0. | 0. | |
| (14) DAVID CIGNOTTI BOARD MEMBER | 0.30 | X | | | | | 0. | 0. | 0. | |
| (15) DON ENSLEY BOARD MEMBER | 0.30 | X | | | | | 0. | 0. | 0. | |
| (16) DONNA SNEAD BOARD MEMBER | 0.30 | X | | | | | 0. | 0. | 0. | |
| (17) ERNIE FOSTER BOARD MEMBER | 0.30 | X | | | | | 0. | 0. | 0. | |

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

| (A) Name and title | (B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below line) | (C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee) | | | | | | (D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC/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 | | | |
| (18) JOANNE POWELL BOARD MEMBER | 0.30 | X | | | | | | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| (19) JOE RAMUS BOARD MEMBER | 0.30 | X | | | | | | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| (20) JOHN RUNKLE BOARD MEMBER | 0.30 | X | | | | | | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| (21) JONELLE STOVALL BOARD MEMBER | 0.30 | X | | | | | | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| (22) KATHERINE MCGLADE BOARD MEMBER | 0.30 | X | | | | | | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| (23) KENNETH CHESTNUT BOARD MEMBER | 0.30 | X | | | | | | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| (24) KYLE ELLIOT BOARD MEMBER | 0.30 | X | | | | | | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| (25) MAC GIBBS BOARD MEMBER | 0.30 | X | | | | | | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| (26) MICHAEL SERBOUSEK BOARD MEMBER | 0.30 | X | | | | | | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| 1b Subtotal | | | | | | | | 703,712. | 0. | 66,272. |
| c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A | | | | | | | | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| d Total (add lines 1b and 1c) | | | | | | | | 703,712. | 0. | 66,272. |

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 10

| | 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 | | 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 | 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 | | 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 |
|---|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| SEA & SHORLINE LLC P.O. BOX 783549, WINTER GARDEN, FL 34778 | ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION | 4,381,109. |
| STEVENS TOWING 125 DYE PLANT RD, EDENTON, NC 27932 | HAULING AND MATERIAL | 1,892,000. |
| HGS, LLC 5367 TELEPHONE RD, WARRENTON, VA 20187 | ENGINEERING AND DESIGN | 197,291. |
| JOSEPH HUIE JR., 204 FULCHER LANDING ROAD, SNEAD FERRY, NC 28460 | MARINE DEBRIS CAPTAIN | 169,894. |
| TODD MILLER 394 BELL LANE, NEWPORT, NC 28570 | CONSULTING | 155,572. |

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 7

SEE PART VII, SECTION A CONTINUATION SHEETS

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

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

| | | | (A) | (B) | (C) | (D) | |
|--|---|--|----------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|--|--|
| | | | Total revenue | Related or exempt function revenue | Unrelated business revenue | Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512 - 514 | |
| Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts | 1 a | Federated campaigns | 319,304. | | | | |
| | 1 b | Membership dues | 230,125. | | | | |
| | 1 c | Fundraising events | 124,774. | | | | |
| | 1 d | Related organizations | | | | | |
| | 1 e | Government grants (contributions) | 16,356,069. | | | | |
| | 1 f | All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above | 7,441,768. | | | | |
| | 1 g | Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f | \$ 4,123,815. | | | | |
| | 1 h | Total. Add lines 1a-1f | | 24,472,040. | | | |
| Program Service Revenue | 2 a | PROGRAM EVENTS | 541700 | 4,883. | 4,883. | | |
| | 2 b | | | | | | |
| | 2 c | | | | | | |
| | 2 d | | | | | | |
| | 2 e | | | | | | |
| | 2 f | All other program service revenue | | | | | |
| | 2 g | Total. Add lines 2a-2f | | 4,883. | | | |
| Other Revenue | 3 | Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts) | | 635,384. | | 635,384. | |
| | 4 | Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds | | | | | |
| | 5 | Royalties | | | | | |
| | 6 a | Gross rents | (i) Real | 5,585. | | | |
| | | | (ii) Personal | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | 6 b | Less: rental expenses | 4,798. | | | | |
| | 6 c | Rental income or (loss) | 787. | | | | |
| | 6 d | Net rental income or (loss) | | 787. | | 787. | |
| | 7 a | Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory | (i) Securities | | | | |
| | | | (ii) Other | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | 7 b | Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses | 1,600. | | | | |
| 7 c | Gain or (loss) | -1,600. | | | | | |
| 7 d | Net gain or (loss) | | -1,600. | | -1,600. | | |
| 8 a | Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 124,774. of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18 | 12,195. | | | | | |
| 8 b | Less: direct expenses | 43,774. | | | | | |
| 8 c | Net income or (loss) from fundraising events | | -31,579. | | -31,579. | | |
| 9 a | Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19 | | | | | | |
| 9 b | Less: direct expenses | | | | | | |
| 9 c | Net income or (loss) from gaming activities | | | | | | |
| 10 a | Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances | 4,361. | | | | | |
| 10 b | Less: cost of goods sold | 1,785. | | | | | |
| 10 c | Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory | | 2,576. | | 2,576. | | |
| Miscellaneous Revenue | 11 a | LICENSE PLATE INCOME | 900099 | 82,527. | | 82,527. | |
| | 11 b | SALES TAX REFUNDS | 900099 | 6,708. | | 6,708. | |
| | 11 c | | | | | | |
| | 11 d | All other revenue | | | | | |
| | 11 e | Total. Add lines 11a-11d | | 89,235. | | | |
| 12 | Total revenue. See instructions | | 25,171,726. | 4,883. | 0. | 694,803. | |

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 X

| 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 ... | | | | |
| 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 | 145,747. | 113,772. | 16,150. | 15,825. |
| 6 Compensation not included above to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) | | | | |
| 7 Other salaries and wages | 2,974,526. | 2,321,982. | 329,586. | 322,958. |
| 8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions) | 94,067. | 70,493. | 12,108. | 11,466. |
| 9 Other employee benefits | 191,596. | 143,581. | 24,661. | 23,354. |
| 10 Payroll taxes | 226,803. | 169,964. | 29,193. | 27,646. |
| 11 Fees for services (nonemployees): | | | | |
| a Management | | | | |
| b Legal | 6,754. | | 6,754. | |
| c Accounting | 42,900. | 21,450. | 21,450. | |
| d Lobbying | 72,024. | 72,024. | | |
| e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17 | | | | |
| f Investment management fees | | | | |
| g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A), amount, list line 11g expenses on Sch O.) | 17,142,855. | 17,041,496. | | 101,359. |
| 12 Advertising and promotion | 37,859. | 21,380. | 2,216. | 14,263. |
| 13 Office expenses | 252,719. | 213,326. | 19,634. | 19,759. |
| 14 Information technology | 11,626. | 11,626. | | |
| 15 Royalties | | | | |
| 16 Occupancy | 52,119. | 29,757. | 20,717. | 1,645. |
| 17 Travel | 91,340. | 83,346. | 3,096. | 4,898. |
| 18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials ... | | | | |
| 19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings | 60,181. | 39,640. | 14,724. | 5,817. |
| 20 Interest | | | | |
| 21 Payments to affiliates | | | | |
| 22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization | 66,980. | 48,796. | 15,332. | 2,852. |
| 23 Insurance | 214,493. | 75,441. | 139,052. | |
| 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 EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE | 73,239. | 11. | 15,485. | 57,743. |
| b BOAT & VEHICLE EXPENSE | 15,477. | 15,477. | | |
| c DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS | 13,738. | 13,738. | | |
| d TAXES & LICENSES | 3,290. | | 3,290. | |
| e All other expenses _____ | | | | |
| 25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e | 21,790,333. | 20,507,300. | 673,448. | 609,585. |
| 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) | | (B) |
|--|--|------------------------|-------------|------------------------|
| | | Beginning of year | | End of year |
| Assets | 1 Cash - non-interest-bearing | 1,071,677. | 1 | 7,955,923. |
| | 2 Savings and temporary cash investments | 4,698,771. | 2 | 4,406,964. |
| | 3 Pledges and grants receivable, net | 0. | 3 | 1,743,528. |
| | 4 Accounts receivable, net | 2,692,307. | 4 | 3,625. |
| | 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 | 82,591. | 7 | 76,198. |
| | 8 Inventories for sale or use | 13,896. | 8 | 14,769. |
| | 9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges | 6,008. | 9 | 14,360. |
| | 10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D | 10a 18,986,593. | | |
| | b Less: accumulated depreciation | 10b 942,444. | 13,919,224. | 10c 18,044,149. |
| | 11 Investments - publicly traded securities | 2,394,399. | 11 | 2,667,047. |
| | 12 Investments - other securities. See Part IV, line 11 | 1,705,368. | 12 | 1,889,938. |
| | 13 Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line 11 | | 13 | |
| | 14 Intangible assets | | 14 | |
| | 15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11 | 18,887,509. | 15 | 19,011,564. |
| 16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 33) | 45,471,750. | 16 | 55,828,065. | |
| Liabilities | 17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses | 466,223. | 17 | 619,917. |
| | 18 Grants payable | | 18 | |
| | 19 Deferred revenue | 500,000. | 19 | 7,321,328. |
| | 20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities | | 20 | |
| | 21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D | | 21 | |
| | 22 Loans and other payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons | | 22 | |
| | 23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties | | 23 | |
| | 24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties | | 24 | |
| | 25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D | | 25 | |
| | 26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25 | 966,223. | 26 | 7,941,245. |
| 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 | 8,195,221. | 27 | 6,839,406. |
| | 28 Net assets with donor restrictions | 36,310,306. | 28 | 41,047,414. |
| | 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 | 44,505,527. | 32 | 47,886,820. |
| 33 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances | 45,471,750. | 33 | 55,828,065. | |

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 | 25,171,726. |
| 2 | Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25) | 2 | 21,790,333. |
| 3 | Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1 | 3 | 3,381,393. |
| 4 | Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A)) | 4 | 44,505,527. |
| 5 | Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments | 5 | |
| 6 | Donated services and use of facilities | 6 | |
| 7 | Investment expenses | 7 | |
| 8 | Prior period adjustments | 8 | -100. |
| 9 | Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain on Schedule O) | 9 | 0. |
| 10 | Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 32, column (B)) | 10 | 47,886,820. |

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 _____ | X | |

Form **990** (2024)

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.

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Open to Public Inspection

Table with 2 columns: Name of the organization (NORTH CAROLINA COASTAL FEDERATION INC) and Employer identification number (58-1494098)

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

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

- 1 [] A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).
2 [] A school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).
3 [] A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).
4 [] A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).
5 [] An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv).
6 [] A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).
7 [X] An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).
8 [] A community trust described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).
9 [] An agricultural research organization described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ix) operated in conjunction with a land-grant college or university or a non-land-grant college of agriculture.
10 [] 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...
11 [] An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety.
12 [] An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations...
a [] Type I. A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s)...
b [] Type II. A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s)...
c [] Type III functionally integrated. A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s)...
d [] Type III non-functionally integrated. A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated...
e [] Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization.
f Enter the number of supported organizations []
g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

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

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

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

Section A. Public Support

| Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) | (a) 2020 | (b) 2021 | (c) 2022 | (d) 2023 | (e) 2024 | (f) Total |
|--|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.") | 9,054,066. | 10,492,320. | 9,668,605. | 12,947,297. | 24,472,040. | 66,634,328. |
| 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 | 9,054,066. | 10,492,320. | 9,668,605. | 12,947,297. | 24,472,040. | 66,634,328. |
| 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) | | | | | | 214,889. |
| 6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4. | | | | | | 66,419,439. |

Section B. Total Support

| Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) | (a) 2020 | (b) 2021 | (c) 2022 | (d) 2023 | (e) 2024 | (f) Total |
|---|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| 7 Amounts from line 4 | 9,054,066. | 10,492,320. | 9,668,605. | 12,947,297. | 24,472,040. | 66,634,328. |
| 8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources | 477,493. | 372,741. | 133,777. | 555,357. | 640,969. | 2,180,337. |
| 9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on | | 65,982. | 3,131. | -590. | | 68,523. |
| 10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.) | | 93,784. | 88,702. | 96,295. | 93,596. | 372,377. |
| 11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10 | | | | | | 69,255,565. |
| 12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions) | | | | | 12 | 4,883. |
| 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 | | | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

| | | | |
|---|-----------|-------|-------------------------------------|
| 14 Public support percentage for 2024 (line 6, column (f), divided by line 11, column (f)) | 14 | 95.90 | % |
| 15 Public support percentage from 2023 Schedule A, Part II, line 14 | 15 | 94.12 | % |
| 16a 33 1/3% support test - 2024. 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 - 2023. 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 - 2024. 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 - 2023. 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) 2020, (b) 2021, (c) 2022, (d) 2023, (e) 2024, (f) Total. Rows include: 1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received; 2 Gross receipts from admissions; 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; 7b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons; 8 Public support.

Section B. Total Support

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2020, (b) 2021, (c) 2022, (d) 2023, (e) 2024, (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; 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 2 columns: Description, Percentage. Row 15: Public support percentage for 2024 (line 8, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f)) 15%. Row 16: Public support percentage from 2023 Schedule A, Part III, line 15 16%.

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

Table with 2 columns: Description, Percentage. Row 17: Investment income percentage for 2024 (line 10c, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f)) 17%. Row 18: Investment income percentage from 2023 Schedule A, Part III, line 17 18%.

19a 33 1/3% support tests - 2024. 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 - 2023. 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)

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

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

| | Yes | No |
|---|-----|----|
| 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? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove officers, directors, or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.</i> | | |
| 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? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization.</i> | | |
| 1 | | |
| 2 | | |

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

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

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

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

Section E. Type III Functionally Integrated Supporting Organizations

| | | |
|---|--|--|
| 1 Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions). | | |
| a <input type="checkbox"/> The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete line 2 below. | | |
| b <input type="checkbox"/> The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete line 3 below. | | |
| c <input type="checkbox"/> The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in Part VI how you supported a governmental entity (see instructions). | | |
| 2 Activities Test. Answer lines 2a and 2b below. | | |
| a Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? <i>If "Yes," then in Part VI identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.</i> | | |
| b Did the activities described on line 2a, above, constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.</i> | | |
| 3 Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer lines 3a and 3b below. | | |
| a Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? <i>If "Yes" or "No," provide details in Part VI.</i> | | |
| b Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs, and activities of each of its supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard.</i> | | |
| 2a | | |
| 2b | | |
| 3a | | |
| 3b | | |

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 (<i>explain in detail in Part VI</i>): | | |
| 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 | <input type="checkbox"/> Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions). | | |

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

| Section D - Distributions | | Current Year |
|----------------------------------|---|---------------------|
| 1 | Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes | 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 - <i>provide details in Part VI</i>) | 5 |
| 6 | Other distributions (describe in Part VI). See instructions. | 6 |
| 7 | Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6. | 7 |
| 8 | Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (<i>provide details in Part VI</i>). See instructions. | 8 |
| 9 | Distributable amount for 2024 from Section C, line 6 | 9 |
| 10 | Line 8 amount divided by line 9 amount | 10 |

| Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions) | (i) Excess Distributions | (ii) Underdistributions Pre-2024 | (iii) Distributable Amount for 2024 |
|--|-------------------------------------|---|--|
| 1 Distributable amount for 2024 from Section C, line 6 | | | |
| 2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2024 (reasonable cause required - <i>explain in Part VI</i>). See instructions. | | | |
| 3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2024 | | | |
| a From 2019 | | | |
| b From 2020 | | | |
| c From 2021 | | | |
| d From 2022 | | | |
| e From 2023 | | | |
| f Total of lines 3a through 3e | | | |
| g Applied to under distributions of prior years | | | |
| h Applied to 2024 distributable amount | | | |
| i Carryover from 2019 not applied (see instructions) | | | |
| j Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from line 3f. | | | |
| 4 Distributions for 2024 from Section D, line 7: \$ | | | |
| a Applied to underdistributions of prior years | | | |
| b Applied to 2024 distributable amount | | | |
| c Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from line 4. | | | |
| 5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2024, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2. For result greater than zero, <i>explain in Part VI</i> . See instructions. | | | |
| 6 Remaining underdistributions for 2024. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1. For result greater than zero, <i>explain in Part VI</i> . See instructions. | | | |
| 7 Excess distributions carryover to 2025. Add lines 3j and 4c. | | | |
| 8 Breakdown of line 7: | | | |
| a Excess from 2020 | | | |
| b Excess from 2021 | | | |
| c Excess from 2022 | | | |
| d Excess from 2023 | | | |
| e Excess from 2024 | | | |

Schedule A (Form 990) 2024

Part VI

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

SCHEDULE A, PART II, LINE 10, EXPLANATION FOR OTHER INCOME:

LICENSE PLATE INCOME

| | |
|-----------------|---------|
| 2021 AMOUNT: \$ | 87,033. |
| 2022 AMOUNT: \$ | 83,223. |
| 2023 AMOUNT: \$ | 85,590. |
| 2024 AMOUNT: \$ | 82,527. |

SALES TAX REFUND

| | |
|-----------------|--------|
| 2021 AMOUNT: \$ | 4,526. |
| 2022 AMOUNT: \$ | 4,156. |
| 2023 AMOUNT: \$ | 4,053. |
| 2024 AMOUNT: \$ | 6,708. |

GIFT SHOP INCOME

| | |
|-----------------|--------|
| 2021 AMOUNT: \$ | 2,225. |
| 2022 AMOUNT: \$ | 1,323. |
| 2023 AMOUNT: \$ | 6,652. |
| 2024 AMOUNT: \$ | 4,361. |

**Schedule B
(Form 990)**

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

Schedule of Contributors

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

OMB No. 1545-0047

Name of the organization

NORTH CAROLINA COASTAL FEDERATION INC

Employer identification number

58-1494098

Organization type (check one):

Filers of:

Section:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

501(c)(3) (enter number) organization

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation

527 political organization

Form 990-PF

501(c)(3) exempt private foundation

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation

501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**.

Note: Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.

General Rule

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

Special Rules

For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33 1/3% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of **(1)** \$5,000; or **(2)** 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h; or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.

For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I (entering "N/A" in column (b) instead of the contributor name and address), II, and III.

For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Don't complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received *nonexclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year \$ _____

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

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the instructions for Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF.

Schedule B (Form 990) (Rev. 12-2024)

| | |
|---|--|
| Name of organization NORTH CAROLINA COASTAL FEDERATION INC | Employer identification number 58-1494098 |
|---|--|

Part I Contributors (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

| (a) No. | (b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4 | (c) Total contributions | (d) Type of contribution |
|------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| 1 | <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> | \$ 1,669,323. | Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.) |
| 2 | <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> | \$ 1,000,000. | Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.) |
| 3 | <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> | \$ 3,842,812. | Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.) |
| 4 | <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> | \$ 1,091,248. | Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.) |
| 5 | <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> | \$ 4,045,516. | Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.) |
| 6 | <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> | \$ 3,738,879. | Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.) |

| | |
|---|--|
| Name of organization NORTH CAROLINA COASTAL FEDERATION INC | Employer identification number 58-1494098 |
|---|--|

Part I Contributors (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

| (a) No. | (b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4 | (c) Total contributions | (d) Type of contribution |
|------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| 7 | <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> | \$ 4,111,315. | Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.) |
| | <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> | \$ _____ | Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.) |
| | <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> | \$ _____ | Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.) |
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| | <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> | \$ _____ | Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.) |
| | <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> | \$ _____ | Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.) |

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|---|--|
| Name of organization NORTH CAROLINA COASTAL FEDERATION INC | Employer identification number 58-1494098 |
|---|--|

Part II Noncash Property (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part II if additional space is needed.

| (a) No. from Part I | (b) Description of noncash property given | (c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions.) | (d) Date received |
|------------------------------|--|---|----------------------|
| 7 | PRCELS OF LAND FOR CONSERVATION _____ _____ _____ | \$ 4,111,315. | 11/14/24 |
| | _____ _____ _____ | \$ _____ | _____ |
| | _____ _____ _____ | \$ _____ | _____ |
| | _____ _____ _____ | \$ _____ | _____ |
| | _____ _____ _____ | \$ _____ | _____ |
| | _____ _____ _____ | \$ _____ | _____ |
| | _____ _____ _____ | \$ _____ | _____ |

| | |
|---|--|
| Name of organization NORTH CAROLINA COASTAL FEDERATION INC | Employer identification number 58-1494098 |
|---|--|

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

| (a) No. from Part I | (b) Purpose of gift | (c) Use of gift | (d) Description of how gift is held |
|---|---------------------|--|-------------------------------------|
| | | | |
| (e) Transfer of gift | | | |
| Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4 | | Relationship of transferor to transferee | |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| (e) Transfer of gift | | | |
| Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4 | | Relationship of transferor to transferee | |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| (e) Transfer of gift | | | |
| Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4 | | Relationship of transferor to transferee | |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| (e) Transfer of gift | | | |
| Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4 | | Relationship of transferor to transferee | |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| (e) Transfer of gift | | | |
| Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4 | | Relationship of transferor to transferee | |
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SCHEDULE C
(Form 990)

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

OMB No. 1545-0047

2024

Open to Public Inspection

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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

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.

Table with 2 columns: Name of organization (NORTH CAROLINA COASTAL FEDERATION INC) and Employer identification number (EIN) (58-1494098)

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.
2 Political campaign activity expenditures \$
3 Volunteer hours for political campaign activities

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.

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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) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| b | Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| c | Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| d | Other exempt purpose expenditures | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| e | Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| f | Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <table border="1" style="width: 100%;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;">IF the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b), is:</th> <th style="text-align: left;">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. | | |
| 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. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| g | Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| h | Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0- | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| i | Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -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? | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Yes 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.)

| Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period | | | | | |
|---|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|
| Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) | (a) 2021 | (b) 2022 | (c) 2023 | (d) 2024 | (e) Total |
| 2a Lobbying nontaxable amount | | | | | |
| b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e)) | | | | | |
| c Total lobbying expenditures | | | | | |
| d Grassroots nontaxable amount | | | | | |
| e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e)) | | | | | |
| f Grassroots lobbying expenditures | | | | | |

Schedule C (Form 990) 2024

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. | (a) | | (b) |
|---|-----|----|---------|
| | Yes | No | Amount |
| 1 During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state, or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of: | | | |
| a Volunteers? | X | | |
| b Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)? .. | X | | |
| c Media advertisements? | | X | |
| d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public? | | X | |
| e Publications, or published or broadcast statements? | | X | |
| f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes? | | X | |
| g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body? | | X | |
| h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means? | X | | 0. |
| i Other activities? | X | | 72,025. |
| j Total. Add lines 1c through 1i | | | 72,025. |
| 2a Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to not be described in section 501(c)(3)? | | X | |
| b If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912 | | | |
| c If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912 | | | |
| d If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? | | | |

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

| | Yes | No |
|--|-----|----|
| 1 Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members? | 1 | |
| 2 Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less? | 2 | |
| 3 Did the organization agree to carry over lobbying and political campaign activity expenditures from the prior year? | 3 | |

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) BOTH Part III-A, lines 1 and 2, are answered "No," OR (b) Part III-A, line 3, is answered "Yes."

| | |
|--|----|
| 1 Dues, assessments, and similar amounts from members | 1 |
| 2 Section 162(e) nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid): | |
| a Current year | 2a |
| b Carryover from last year | 2b |
| c Total | 2c |
| 3 Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues | 3 |
| 4 If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures next year? | 4 |
| 5 Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures. See instructions | 5 |

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.

PART II-B, LINE 1, LOBBYING ACTIVITIES:

THE ORGANIZATION CONTRACTS WITH A FULL-TIME LOBBYIST AND HAS A FEW EMPLOYEES WHO ARE REGISTERED TO LOBBY. THE ORGANIZATION COMPLIES WITH ALL LOBBYING REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.

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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OMB No. 1545-0047

Open to Public Inspection

Name of the organization

NORTH CAROLINA COASTAL FEDERATION INC

Employer identification number

58-1494098

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

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

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

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply).

Preservation of land for public use (for example, recreation or education) Preservation of a historically important land area

Protection of natural habitat Preservation of a certified historic structure

Preservation of open space

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

| | Held at the End of the Tax Year |
|--|---------------------------------|
| a Total number of conservation easements | 2a 18 |
| b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements | 2b 874.00 |
| c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included on line 2a | 2c |
| d Number of conservation easements included on line 2c acquired after July 25, 2006, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register | 2d |

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

4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located _____ 1

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

Yes No

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year _____ 20

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)?

Yes No

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

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

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

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

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

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

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X

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

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

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X

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Schedule D (Form 990) (Rev. 12-2024)

Part VII Investments - Other Securities

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

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

Part VIII Investments - Program Related.

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

| (a) Description of investment | (b) Book value | (c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value |
|---|----------------|---|
| (1) | | |
| (2) | | |
| (3) | | |
| (4) | | |
| (5) | | |
| (6) | | |
| (7) | | |
| (8) | | |
| (9) | | |
| Total. (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, 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) LAND & CONSERVATION EASEMENTS | 18,887,509. |
| (2) LEASE RECEIVABLE | 124,055. |
| (3) | |
| (4) | |
| (5) | |
| (6) | |
| (7) | |
| (8) | |
| (9) | |
| Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 15, col. (B)) | 19,011,564. |

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 | 25,171,726. |
| 2 | Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12: | | | |
| | a Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments | 2a | | |
| | b Donated services and use of facilities | 2b | | |
| | c Recoveries of prior year grants | 2c | | |
| | d Other (Describe in Part XIII.) | 2d | | |
| | e Add lines 2a through 2d | | 2e | 0. |
| 3 | Subtract line 2e from line 1 | | 3 | 25,171,726. |
| 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 | 0. |
| 5 | Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.) | | 5 | 25,171,726. |

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 | 21,790,333. |
| 2 | Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25: | | | |
| | a Donated services and use of facilities | 2a | | |
| | b Prior year adjustments | 2b | | |
| | c Other losses | 2c | | |
| | d Other (Describe in Part XIII.) | 2d | | |
| | e Add lines 2a through 2d | | 2e | 0. |
| 3 | Subtract line 2e from line 1 | | 3 | 21,790,333. |
| 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 | 0. |
| 5 | Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.) | | 5 | 21,790,333. |

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:

TWO ENDOWMENT FUNDS HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED BY THE FEDERATION FOR GIFTS RECEIVED THAT ARE SPECIFICALLY RESTRICTED BY THE DONORS.

THE KATHLEEN BRYAN EDWARDS ENDOWMENT FUND IS HELD BY THE NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION. INTEREST EARNED ON THE FUND MAY BE USED ANNUALLY FOR GENERAL SUPPORT OF THE FEDERATION.

THE NC COASTAL FEDERATION ENDOWMENT FUND IS HELD BY THE FEDERATION. THIS ENDOWMENT IS MADE OF THE H. SMITH RICHARDSON JR. FUND AND THE COASTAL ADVOCACY FUND. EARNINGS ON THE H. SMITH RICHARDSON JR. FUND MAY BE USED FOR GENERAL OPERATING SUPPORT PER MANAGEMENT POLICY FOR THE FUND. THE EARNINGS CAN ONLY BE USED AFTER THE FUND HAS HAD AN INVESTMENT REVIEW. EARNINGS ON THE COASTAL ADVOCACY FUND SHALL BE REINVESTED UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2019; AFTER WHICH THE EARNINGS MAY BE USED FOR GRASSROOTS INITIATIVES AND COASTAL REVIEW ONLINE.

PART X, LINE 2:

THE FEDERATION IS EXEMPT FROM FEDERAL INCOME TAXES UNDER SECTION 501(C)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE AND IS NOT A PRIVATE FOUNDATION. ACCORDINGLY, NO INCOME TAXES HAVE BEEN PROVIDED IN THE ACCOMPANYING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

MANAGEMENT HAS EVALUATED THE EFFECT OF THE GUIDANCE PROVIDED BY THE GAAP ON ACCOUNTING FOR UNCERTAINTY IN INCOME TAXES. MANAGEMENT BELIEVES THAT

Part XIII Supplemental Information *(continued)*

THE FEDERATION CONTINUES TO SATISFY THE REQUIREMENTS OF A TAX-EXEMPT ENTITY AT DECEMBER 31, 2024. MANAGEMENT HAS EVALUATED ALL OTHER TAX POSITIONS THAT COULD HAVE A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND DETERMINED THE FEDERATION HAD NO UNCERTAIN INCOME TAX POSITIONS AT DECEMBER 31, 2024.

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 (add col. (a) through col. (c)) | |
|-----------------|--|---|---------------------------------|---------------------|--|----------|
| | | PELICAN AWARDS (event type) | NE OYSTER ROAST (event type) | 2 (total number) | | |
| Revenue | 1 | Gross receipts | 76,995. | 31,631. | 24,708. | 133,334. |
| | 2 | Less: Contributions | 76,995. | 26,009. | 21,770. | 124,774. |
| | 3 | Gross income (line 1 minus line 2) | | 5,622. | 2,938. | 8,560. |
| Direct Expenses | 4 | Cash prizes | | | | |
| | 5 | Noncash prizes | | | | |
| | 6 | Rent/facility costs | | | | |
| | 7 | Food and beverages | | | | |
| | 8 | Entertainment | | | | |
| | 9 | Other direct expenses | 28,366. | 8,026. | 4,074. | 40,466. |
| | 10 | Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d) | | | | 40,466. |
| 11 | Net income summary. Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d) | | | | -31,906. | |

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)) |
|-----------------|--|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | |
| Revenue | 1 | Gross revenue | | | |
| | 2 | Cash prizes | | | |
| Direct Expenses | 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: NC

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: _____

Part IV Supplemental Information *(continued)*

Multiple horizontal lines for supplemental information.

**SCHEDULE J
(Form 990)**

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

Compensation Information

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

OMB No. 1545-0047

**Open to Public
Inspection**

Name of the organization

NORTH CAROLINA COASTAL FEDERATION INC

Employer identification number

58-1494098

Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

| | Yes | No |
|----|-----|----|
| 1a | | |
| 1b | | |
| 2 | | |
| 3 | | |
| 4a | | X |
| 4b | | X |
| 4c | | X |
| 5a | | X |
| 5b | | X |
| 6a | | X |
| 6b | | X |
| 7 | | X |
| 8 | | X |
| 9 | | |

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Schedule J (Form 990) (Rev. 12-2024)

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

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

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

| (A) Name and Title | | (B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC and/or 1099-NEC compensation | | | (C) Retirement and other deferred compensation | (D) Nontaxable benefits | (E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D) | (F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990 |
|---|------|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|-------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| | | (i) Base compensation | (ii) Bonus & incentive compensation | (iii) Other reportable compensation | | | | |
| (1) BRAXTON DAVIS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (AS OF 2/1/24) | (i) | 145,750. | 18,333. | 1,320. | 0. | 0. | 165,403. | 0. |
| | (ii) | 0. | 0. | 0. | 0. | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| (2) RACHAEL CARLYLE BUSINESS AND OPERATIONS DIRECTOR | (i) | 126,501. | 0. | 0. | 5,053. | 22,277. | 153,831. | 0. |
| | (ii) | 0. | 0. | 0. | 0. | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| | (i) | | | | | | | |
| | (ii) | | | | | | | |
| | (i) | | | | | | | |
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| | (ii) | | | | | | | |
| | (i) | | | | | | | |
| | (ii) | | | | | | | |

Part III Supplemental Information

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

PART I, LINE 3:

WE OBTAIN THE NC NON-PROFIT COMPENSATION REPORT EVERY TWO YEARS TO USE AS A
TOOL FOR OUR COMPENSATION ANALYSIS.

**SCHEDULE M
(Form 990)**

Noncash Contributions

OMB No. 1545-0047

2024

Open to Public Inspection

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

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

| | |
|--|---|
| Name of the organization NORTH CAROLINA COASTAL FEDERATION INC | Employer identification number 58-1494098 |
|--|---|

| 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 | | | | |
| 2 | Art - Historical treasures | | | | |
| 3 | Art - Fractional interests | | | | |
| 4 | Books and publications | | | | |
| 5 | Clothing and household goods | | | | |
| 6 | Cars and other vehicles | X | 2 | 12,500. | CARFAX |
| 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 | X | 3 | 4,111,315. | APPRAISAL |
| 18 | Collectibles | | | | |
| 19 | Food inventory | | | | |
| 20 | Drugs and medical supplies | | | | |
| 21 | Taxidermy | | | | |
| 22 | Historical artifacts | | | | |
| 23 | Scientific specimens | | | | |
| 24 | Archeological artifacts | | | | |
| 25 | Other () | | | | |
| 26 | Other () | | | | |
| 27 | Other () | | | | |
| 28 | Other () | | | | |

| | | |
|---|-----------|----------|
| 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 Acknowledgement | 29 | 4 |
|---|-----------|----------|

| | Yes | No |
|--|-----|----|
| 30a During the year, did the organization receive by contribution any property reported on Part I, lines 1 through 28, that it must hold for at least 3 years from the date of the initial contribution, and which isn't required to be used for exempt purposes for the entire holding period? | | X |
| b If "Yes," describe the arrangement in Part II. | | |
| 31 Does the organization have a gift acceptance policy that requires the review of any nonstandard contributions? | X | |
| 32a Does the organization hire or use third parties or related organizations to solicit, process, or sell noncash contributions? | X | |
| b If "Yes," describe in Part II. | | |
| 33 If the organization didn't report an amount in column (c) for a type of property for which column (a) is checked, describe in Part II. | | |

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Schedule M (Form 990) 2024

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.

Lined area for supplemental information.

**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.

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OMB No. 1545-0047

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|---|--|
| Name of the organization NORTH CAROLINA COASTAL FEDERATION INC | Employer identification number 58-1494098 |
|---|--|

FORM 990, PART I, LINE 1, DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION MISSION:
LIFE TO PROTECT AND RESTORE THE WATER QUALITY AND CRITICALLY IMPORTANT
NATURAL HABITATS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA COAST.

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4A, PROGRAM SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS:
IN OUR WORK TO PROTECT THE NORTH CAROLINA COAST, WE FOCUS IN THE
FOLLOWING AREAS:

WATER QUALITY
INTENSE RAINSTORMS CAUSE FLOODING AND WATER QUALITY DEGRADATION AS THE
RUNOFF FUNNELS POLLUTANTS TO OUR COASTAL WATERS. IMPACTS ARE MAGNIFIED
BY THE ALTERED LANDSCAPE THAT CHANNELS RAIN INSTEAD OF ABSORBING IT.

THE NATURE-BASED STORMWATER STRATEGIES ACTION PLAN RELEASED BY THE
COASTAL FEDERATION IN 2021 RECOMMENDS SPECIFIC POLICIES AND ACTIONS TO
REDUCE POLLUTION AND FLOODING CAUSED BY NEW LAND DEVELOPMENT; EXISTING
DEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE; HIGHWAYS AND STREETS; AND WORKING LANDS
SUCH AS FARMS AND COMMERCIAL FORESTS.
IN 2024, WE RESTORED MORE THAN 10 ACRES OF WETLANDS AND INSTALLED WATER
QUALITY IMPROVEMENTS PROTECTING BRADLEY CREEK, STUMP SOUND, AND LAKE
MATTAMUSKEET

LIVING SHORELINES
NORTH CAROLINA'S 12,000 MILES OF ESTUARINE SHORELINE PROVIDE SOME OF
THE MOST PRODUCTIVE HABITATS IN THE WORLD FOR FISH AND SHELLFISH.
UNFORTUNATELY, THE EROSION OF THESE SHORELINES IS INCREASING BECAUSE OF
RISING SEA LEVELS, CONCENTRATED WAVES FROM BOATS, MORE EXTREME STORMS,
AND POORLY PLANNED DEVELOPMENT PRACTICES. EROSION CONTROL STRUCTURES
LIKE BULKHEADS ARE NOT AS EFFECTIVE AS LIVING SHORELINES IN PROTECTING
SHORELINES. BY INSTALLING BUFFERS USING SALT MARSH, OYSTER REEFS, AND
OTHER NATURAL MATERIALS, LIVING SHORELINES CONTROL EROSION WHILE
PROTECTING THE NATURAL BEAUTY AND PRODUCTIVITY OF OUR ESTUARIES.

THE COASTAL FEDERATION REMAINS COMMITTED TO MAKING LIVING SHORELINES
THE GO-TO APPROACH FOR MANAGING SHORELINE EROSION. WE HAVE SECURED
PUBLIC AND PRIVATE FUNDING THAT WILL HELP US PROVIDE INCREASED
FINANCIAL INCENTIVES TO LANDOWNERS FOR LIVING SHORELINES. IN 2024, WE
RESTORED 3.75 MILES OF LIVING SHORELINES AT 43 LOCATIONS ALONG THE
COAST.

OYSTERS
OUR NATIVE EASTERN OYSTER (CRASSOSTREA VIRGINICA) IS ONE OF THE MOST
IMPORTANT SPECIES IN OUR ESTUARIES. OYSTERS BENEFIT NORTH CAROLINA'S
COASTAL ECOLOGY AND ECONOMY. THESE BENEFITS CAN BE SUMMARIZED AND
REFERRED TO AS THE THREE "FS", FOR SHORT: FOOD, FILTER AND FISH
HABITAT. THEY FILTER WATER, PROVIDE FOOD FOR HUMANS AND CREATE REEFS
THAT BUILD HOMES FOR MORE FISH. THESE ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS, IN TURN,
SUPPORT JOBS AND PROVIDE ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES FOR COASTAL
COMMUNITIES.

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|---|--|
| Name of the organization NORTH CAROLINA COASTAL FEDERATION INC | Employer identification number 58-1494098 |
|---|--|

OYSTER POPULATIONS, WORLDWIDE, ARE AT RECORD LOWS. DESPITE SOME RECOVERY IN RECENT YEARS, IN NORTH CAROLINA IT IS ESTIMATED THAT OYSTERS ARE AT ABOUT 15-20% OF HISTORIC HARVEST LEVELS. OYSTER HARVEST IS CURRENTLY THE BEST MEASURE OF THE OYSTER POPULATION IN OUR STATE. IN 2024, WE RESTORED 40 ACRES OF OYSTER REEFS.

EFFECTIVE COASTAL MANAGEMENT

OUR COASTAL MANAGEMENT GOAL IS DEEPLY INTERTWINED WITH, AND SUPPORTS OUR WORK FOR CLEAN WATER, LIVING SHORELINES, THRIVING OYSTERS, AND A COAST THAT IS FREE OF MARINE DEBRIS. WE WORK WITH A MULTITUDE OF STAKEHOLDERS TO ENGAGE THEM IN SOUND COASTAL MANAGEMENT DECISIONS BASED ON THE BEST SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY. IN ADDITION, WE PARTNER TO SECURE ADEQUATE FUNDS SO THAT DECISIONS CAN BE IMPLEMENTED AND ENFORCED, AND SUPPORT AND STRENGTHEN THE LEGAL FOUNDATION THAT ENABLES US TO PROTECT AND RESTORE OUR COAST.

COASTAL RESILIENCY IS AT THE FOUNDATION OF THIS GOALS WORK, RECOGNIZING THAT NOW IS THE CRITICAL TIME TO PREPARE FOR THE FUTURE. THIS MEANS ENSURING NATURAL DEFENSES ARE SOUND, WATERS ARE SAFE FOR FISHING AND SWIMMING AND WE ARE FREE OF EMERGING CONTAMINANTS AND OTHER THREATS LIKE OFFSHORE OIL AND MICROPLASTICS. IN 2024, WE RESPONDED TO BREAKING ISSUES INCLUDING PETROLEUM AND PFAS POLLUTION, WETLAND PROTECTIONS, AND OCEANFRONT STRUCTURES. WE ALSO PRESENTED AT MULTIPLE CONFERENCES AND LAUNCHED A NEW PILOT STORMWATER COST-SHARE PROGRAM.

MARINE DEBRIS

MARINE DEBRIS RESULTS FROM STORM-DAMAGED DOCKS, HOUSES, AND YARDS; LOST FISHING GEAR; POORLY MANAGED CONSTRUCTION SITES; ABANDONED BOATS; PLASTICS CONTAINED IN WASTEWATER AND STORMWATER DISCHARGES; AND CARELESS LITTERING. THE COASTAL FEDERATION PARTNERED WITH COMMUNITY GROUPS, ACADEMIA, AND GOVERNMENT AGENCIES IN 2020 TO DEVELOP AND ADOPT THE N.C. MARINE DEBRIS ACTION PLAN TO BOTH CLEAN UP AND PREVENT DEBRIS LARGE AND SMALL.

THE COASTAL FEDERATION WILL CONTINUE WORKING FOR THE REDUCED USE OF SINGLE-USE PLASTICS, ADVOCATE FOR MORE STORM RESILIENT BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE PRACTICES FOR DOCKS AND PIERS, AND PROMOTE IMPROVED TREATMENT AND DISPOSAL OF WASTEWATER AND STORMWATER TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF MICROPLASTICS BEING DISCHARGED TO COASTAL WATERS. WE WILL ALSO PARTNER WITH STATE AND LOCAL PARTNERS TO CONTINUE TO MOBILIZE FISHERS AND CONTRACTORS TO REMOVE TONS OF DEBRIS, LOST CRAB POTS, AND ABANDONED VESSELS. IN 2024, WE WORKED WITH WATERMEN AND WOMEN, AND CONTRACTORS TO REMOVE 265 TONS OF MARINE DEBRIS, 2,463 LOST CRAB POTS, AND 45 ABANDONED VESSELS FROM COASTAL WATERS.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 1A:

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CONSISTS OF OFFICERS OF THE BOARD (PRES, VP, SECRETARY, TREASURER) AND AT LEAST ONE BOARD MEMBER FROM EACH REGION. THE COMMITTEE MEETS IN BETWEEN BOARD MEETINGS TO PROVIDE INTERIM LEADERSHIP AND DECISIONS ON ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS, CONDUCTS ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, CONDUCTS ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE PERSONNEL POLICY WITH RECOMMENDATIONS AS NECESSARY, PROVIDES GENERAL FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT, IDENTIFY, RESEARCH AND RECRUIT NOMINEES FOR DIRECTORS' SEATS TO ENSURE

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DIVERSITY AND ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF THE ORGANIZATION, AND THEY PLAN AND IMPLEMENT BOARD TRAINING BASED ON CURRENT DIRECTORS' NEEDS.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 6:
VOTING MEMBERS ONLY; NO STOCKHOLDERS

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11B:
FORM 990 IS PREPARED BY AN INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTING FIRM. THE FORM IS REVIEWED BY THE ORGANIZATION'S EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, FINANCE DIRECTOR, OPERATIONS DIRECTOR, DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR, AND CHAIR OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE BEFORE COMPLETION. A COPY IS ALSO PROVIDED TO ALL BOARD MEMBERS BEFORE BEING FILED.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C:
A CONFLICT OF INTEREST FORM IS COMPLETED BY EMPLOYEES ANNUALLY, AND ARE ADVISED TO DISCUSS POTENTIAL PROBLEMS WITH THEIR SUPERVISOR OR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. IF CONFLICTS ARISE THROUGHOUT THE YEAR, MEMBERS ARE ASKED TO DISCLOSE THIS INFORMATION AND EXCUSE THEMSELVES WHEN APPROPRIATE.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15:
A NC COMPENSATION REPORT IS OBTAINED BI-ANNUALLY FROM THE NC CENTER FOR NON-PROFITS; AN ANALYSIS OF COMPARABLE JOB TITLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES ARE REVIEWED BEFORE RECOMMENDATIONS ABOUT COMPENSATION ARE MADE. THIS REVIEW IS COMPLETED BY RACHAEL CARLYLE, DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS AND THE BOARD PRESIDENT.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19:
AN ANNUAL REPORT SUMMARY (DERIVED FROM AUDIT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS) IS POSTED ON THE ORGANIZATION'S WEBSITE, IS MAILED TO KEY SIGNIFICANT DONORS, AND IS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON REQUEST. ADDITIONALLY, THE ORGANIZATION'S 990 AND AUDITED FINANCIALS ARE POSTED ON THE ORGANIZATION'S WEBSITE, AS WELL AS OTHER RESOURCE WEBSITES.

FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 11G, OTHER FEES:

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| PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES | 54,240. |
| MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES | 0. |
| FUNDRAISING EXPENSES | 1,862. |
| TOTAL EXPENSES | 56,102. |

CONSULTANT & CONTRACTED SERVICES:

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| PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES | 16,987,256. |
| MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES | 0. |
| FUNDRAISING EXPENSES | 99,497. |
| TOTAL EXPENSES | 17,086,753. |
| TOTAL OTHER FEES ON FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 11G, COL A | 17,142,855. |

FORM 990, PART XII, LINE 2C:

THE PROCESS FOR SELECTING AND OVERSEEING THE INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT IS UNCHANGED FROM THE PRIOR YEAR.