

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

2022

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

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

A For the **2022** calendar year, or tax year beginning **07-01**, 2022, and ending **06-30**, 2023

B Check if applicable:
 Address change
 Name change
 Initial return
 Final return/terminated
 Amended return
 Application pending

C Name of organization **The Read to Me Project**
 Doing business as
 Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
P O Box 6434
 City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
Salinas, CA 93912-6434

D Employer identification number
47-1224251

E Telephone number
(831) 236-3462

F Name and address of principal officer: **Julia Foster**
Same as C above

G Gross receipts
 \$ **478,771**

H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? Yes No
H(b) Are all subordinates included? Yes No
 If "No," attach a list. See instructions

I Tax-exempt status: 501(c)(3) 501(c) () (insert no.) 4947(a)(1) or 527

J Website: **<http://www.readtomeproject.org/>**

K Form of organization: Corporation Trust Association Other

L Year of formation: **2014** **M** State of legal domicile: **CA**

H(c) Group exemption number

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: The Read to Me Project helps underserved children achieve kindergarten readiness & a lifetime of literacy by empowering school-age children to read to their young siblings at home. We raise public awareness of the importance of language & pre-reading in the first 5 years of life.		
	2	Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.		
	3	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	6
	4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	6
	5	Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2022 (Part V, line 2a)	5	11
	6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	21
	7a	Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0
	7b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, Part I, line 11	7b	0
Revenue	8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year 448,651	Current Year 405,150
	9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	74,264	71,707
	10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	1,140	1,914
	11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	530	0
	12	Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	524,585	478,771
Expenses	13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)		0
	14	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		0
	15	Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	335,493	322,237
	16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)		0
	b	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25)	86,052	
	17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	50,627	60,492
18	Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	386,120	382,729	
19	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	138,465	96,042	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Current Year 560,498	End of Year 642,439
	21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	26,380	12,279
	22	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	534,118	630,160

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here

Cynthia W Hertlein
Signature of officer

Cynthia W Hertlein, Treasurer
Type or print name and title

Date

Paid Preparer Use Only

Print/Type preparer's name Preparer's signature Date Check if PTIN self-employed

Firm's name Firm's EIN

Firm's address Phone no.

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions Yes No

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

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

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

The Read to Me Project helps underserved children achieve kindergarten readiness & a lifetime of literacy by empowering school-age children to read to their young siblings at home. We raise public awareness of the importance of language & pre-reading in the first 5 years of life.

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

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

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

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

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

4a (Code:) (Expenses \$ 229,902 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 71,707)

Provided books and instruction for 1063 elementary students in low income schools in Monterey County to read to approximately 1329 younger siblings at home. 1011 additional students (those without little ones at home) participated in the classroom sessions learning about brain development in small children and beter reading techniques. We also held classes for parents, daycare providers and teen parents. These classes teach the importance of language development and pre-reading skills during a child's first five years of life. Collected donations of nearly 833 new and gently used children's books which were distributed to the Read to Me Project students as gifts during the holidays. The Read to Me Project was names Nonprofit of the Year for Youth Development by the Nonprofit Alliance of Monterey County.

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 229,902

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, Yes, No. Rows include questions 1 through 21, with sub-questions a-f for items 11 and 12. 'Yes' and 'No' columns contain 'X' marks indicating responses.

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

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

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, and Yes/No columns. Rows include questions 1a, 1b, and 1c regarding Form 1096 and backup withholding rules.

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

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

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

Section A. Governing Body and Management

Table with 5 columns: Question, 1a, 1b, Yes, No. Rows include questions about voting members, family relationships, and governance decisions.

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

Table with 5 columns: Question, 10a, 10b, 11a, 11b, 12a, 12b, 12c, 13, 14, 15a, 15b, 16a, 16b, Yes, No. Rows include questions about local chapters, conflict of interest policies, and compensation.

Section C. Disclosure

- 17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed California
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.
19 Describe on Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.
20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records.

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

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

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See the instructions for definition of "key employee."
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (box 5 of Form W-2, box 6 of Form 1099-MISC, and/or box 1 of Form 1099-NEC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

See instructions for the order in which to list the persons above.

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

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/ 1099-MISC/ 1099-NEC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/ 1099-MISC/ 1099-NEC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) <u>Blake Doherty</u> Director	1.00	X						0	0	0
(2) <u>Cassandra Bridge</u> Director	1.00	X						0	0	0
(3) <u>Charlie Orsburn</u> Director	1.00	X						0	0	0
(4) <u>Juan Pablo Lopez</u> Director/Secretary	1.00	X		X				0	0	0
(5) <u>Cynthia Hertlein</u> Director/Treasurer	3.00	X		X				0	0	0
(6) <u>Jennifer Ortega Uribe</u> Director/President	1.00	X		X				0	0	0
(7) <u>Julia Foster</u> Executive Director	40.00			X				0	0	0
(8) -----										
(9) -----										
(10) -----										
(11) -----										
(12) -----										
(13) -----										
(14) -----										

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

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/ 1099-MISC/ 1099-NEC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/ 1099-MISC/ 1099-NEC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(15) -----	-----									
(16) -----	-----									
(17) -----	-----									
(18) -----	-----									
(19) -----	-----									
(20) -----	-----									
(21) -----	-----									
(22) -----	-----									
(23) -----	-----									
(24) -----	-----									
(25) -----	-----									
1b Subtotal										
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A										
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)							0	0	0	

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

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

Section B. Independent Contractors

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

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

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

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

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

		(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514	
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a Federated campaigns	1a				
	b Membership dues	1b				
	c Fundraising events	1c				
	d Related organizations	1d				
	e Government grants (contributions) . .	1e	36,972			
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	368,178			
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f	1g	\$			
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f		405,150			
Program Service Revenue	2a <u>program fees</u>	Business Code 611600	71,707	71,707		
	b _____					
	c _____					
	d _____					
	e _____					
	f All other program service revenue					
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f		71,707			
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		1,914	1,914		
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds					
	5 Royalties					
	6a Gross rents	(i) Real				
		(ii) Personal				
		6a				
	b Less: rental expenses	6b				
	c Rental income or (loss)	6c				
	d Net rental income or (loss)					
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities				
		(ii) Other				
		7a				
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	7b				
	c Gain or (loss)	7c				
	d Net gain or (loss)					
8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	8a					
	b Less: direct expenses	8b				
	c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events					
9a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	9a					
	b Less: direct expenses	9b				
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities					
10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	10a					
	b Less: cost of goods sold	10b				
	c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory					
Miscellaneous Revenue	11a _____	Business Code				
	b _____					
	c _____					
	d All other revenue					
	e Total. Add lines 11a-11d					
12 Total revenue. See instructions		478,771	73,621	0	0	

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

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

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

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	80,795	24,238	32,318	24,239
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	209,403	145,509	15,518	48,376
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions) . .				
9 Other employee benefits	6,453	6,453		
10 Payroll taxes	25,586	15,096	4,202	6,288
11 Fees for services (nonemployees):				
a Management				
b Legal				
c Accounting	6,748		3,569	3,179
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17 .				
f Investment management fees				
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O.) . .				
12 Advertising and promotion				
13 Office expenses	3,770	626	2,626	518
14 Information technology	2,305	1,438	130	737
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	18,335	12,744	4,751	840
17 Travel	7,542	6,856	660	26
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	660	299	361	
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization				
23 Insurance	3,424	1,370	2,054	
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 direct program costs	14,833	14,833		
b recruiting, training, etc	619	326	293	
c fundraising	965	2	16	947
d dues and subscriptions	1,291	112	277	902
e All other expenses				
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e . .	382,729	229,902	66,775	86,052
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	445,579	1	481,046
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	100,007	2	100,221
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	
	4 Accounts receivable, net	14,912	4	59,521
	5 Loans and other receivables from any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons		5	
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		9	1,651
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 1,091		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 1,091	10c	
	11 Investments - publicly traded securities		11	
	12 Investments - other securities. See Part IV, line 11		12	
	13 Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11		15	
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 33)	560,498	16	642,439	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	26,380	17	12,279
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue		19	
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 Loans and other payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D		25	
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	26,380	26	12,279
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	375,118	27	506,910
	28 Net assets with donor restrictions	159,000	28	123,250
	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	534,118	32	630,160	
33 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	560,498	33	642,439	

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	478,771
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	382,729
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	96,042
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))	4	534,118
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain on Schedule O)	9	0
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 32, column (B))	10	630,160

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 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.		
3a	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Uniform Guidance, 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Subpart F?		x
b	If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why on Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits		

**SCHEDULE A
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.

Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

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

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

- 1 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.
- 2 A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)**. (Attach Schedule E (Form 990).)
- 3 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**.
- 4 A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: _____
- 5 An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 6 A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v)**.
- 7 An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 8 A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 9 An agricultural research organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ix)** operated in conjunction with a land-grant college or university or a non-land-grant college of agriculture (see instructions). Enter the name, city, and state of the college or university: _____
- 10 An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions, subject to certain exceptions; and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2)**. (Complete Part III.)
- 11 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4)**.
- 12 An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2)**. See **section 509(a)(3)**. Check the box on lines 12a through 12d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 12e, 12f, and 12g.
 - a **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization. **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
 - b **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
 - c **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
 - d **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
 - e Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization.
 - f Enter the number of supported organizations
 - g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

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

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

Section A. Public Support

Table with 7 columns: Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in), (a) 2018, (b) 2019, (c) 2020, (d) 2021, (e) 2022, (f) Total. Rows include: 1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received; 2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit; 3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit; 4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3; 5 The portion of total contributions by each person; 6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.

Section B. Total Support

Table with 7 columns: Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in), (a) 2018, (b) 2019, (c) 2020, (d) 2021, (e) 2022, (f) Total. Rows include: 7 Amounts from line 4; 8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources; 9 Net income from unrelated business activities; 10 Other income; 11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10; 12 Gross receipts from related activities; 13 First 5 years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here.

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

Table with 2 columns: Line number, Description and percentage. Rows include: 14 Public support percentage for 2022 (line 6, column (f), divided by line 11, column (f)) 78.73%; 15 Public support percentage from 2021 Schedule A, Part II, line 14 77.05%; 16a 33 1/3% support test - 2022; b 33 1/3% support test - 2021; 17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test - 2022; b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test - 2021; 18 Private foundation.

Schedule B (Form 990)

Schedule of Contributors

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Organization type (check one):

Filers of:

Section:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

[X] 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

[X] 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).

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47-1224251**Part I** **Contributors** (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
<u>1</u>	<u>Monterey County Gives</u> <u>c/o Community Fnd of Monterey Co.</u> <u>Monterey CA 93940</u>	\$ <u>87,464</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
<u>2</u>	<u>Pebble Beach Company Foundation</u> <u>P O Box 1767</u> <u>Pebble Beach CA 93953</u>	\$ <u>10,000</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
<u>3</u>	<u>Tanimura Family Foundation</u> <u>P O Box 4070</u> <u>Salinas CA 93912</u>	\$ <u>65,000</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
<u>4</u>	<u>Taylor Farms</u> <u>15 Main St Ste400</u> <u>Salinas CA 93901</u>	\$ <u>25,000</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
<u>5</u>	<u>Community Foundation of Monterey Co</u> <u>2354 Garden Road</u> <u>Monterey CA 93940</u>	\$ <u>100,000</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
<u>6</u>	<u>Nancy Buck Ransom Foundation</u> <u>550 Camino El Estero 201</u> <u>Monterey CA 93940</u>	\$ <u>15,000</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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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	<p><u>Monterey Peninsula Foundation</u></p> <p><u>5 Mandeville Ct Suite 101</u></p> <p><u>Monterey CA 93940</u></p>	\$ 25,000	<p>Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Payroll <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Noncash <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>(Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)</p>
_____	<p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	\$ _____	<p>Person <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Payroll <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Noncash <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>(Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)</p>
_____	<p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	\$ _____	<p>Person <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Payroll <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Noncash <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>(Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)</p>
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_____	<p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	\$ _____	<p>Person <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Payroll <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Noncash <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>(Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)</p>

**SCHEDULE O
(Form 990)**

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

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

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01. Form 990 governing body review (Part VI, line 11)

A copy of Form 990 is sent to all directors for their review prior to filing.

02. Conflict of interest policy compliance (Part VI, line 12c)

Board members and officers review the Conflict of Interest Policy and sign a disclosure annually. Potential conflicts of interest are discussed by independent board members and approved if determined not to be a conflict of interest.

03. CEO, executive director, top management comp (Part VI, line 15a)

Compensation of officers and top management is reviewed and approved by independent directors at the time it is set.

04. Other officer or key employee compensation (Part VI, line 15b)

Compensation of managerial employees is reviewed and approved by independent directors at the time it is set.

05. Form 990 availability to public (Part VI, line 18)

A copy of Form 990 is filed with the California Registry of Charitable Trusts and is available to the public on that website and at www.readtomeproject.org

06. Governing documents, etc, available to public (Part VI, line 19)

Governing documents are available to the public on the website of the California Registry of Charitable Trusts.

IRS e-file Signature Authorization for a Tax Exempt Entity

For calendar year 2022, or fiscal year beginning **07-01**, 2022, and ending **06-30**, 2023

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Do not send to the IRS. Keep for your records.

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Go to www.irs.gov/Form8879TE for the latest information.

Name of filer

EIN or SSN

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Name and title of officer or person subject to tax

Cynthia W Hertlein, Treasurer

Part I Type of Return and Return Information

Check the box for the return for which you are using this Form 8879-TE and enter the applicable amount, if any, from the return. Form 8038-CP and Form 5330 filers may enter dollars and cents. For all other forms, enter whole dollars only. If you check the box on line 1a, 2a, 3a, 4a, 5a, 6a, 7a, 8a, 9a, or 10a below, and the amount on that line for the return being filed with this form was blank, then leave line 1b, 2b, 3b, 4b, 5b, 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, or 10b, whichever is applicable, blank (do not enter -0-). But, if you entered -0- on the return, then enter -0- on the applicable line below. Do not complete more than one line in Part I.

1a Form 990 check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	b Total revenue , if any (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1b <u>478,771</u>
2a Form 990-EZ check here <input type="checkbox"/>	b Total revenue , if any (Form 990-EZ, line 9)	2b _____
3a Form 1120-POL check here <input type="checkbox"/>	b Total tax (Form 1120-POL, line 22)	3b _____
4a Form 990-PF check here <input type="checkbox"/>	b Tax based on investment income (Form 990-PF, Part V, line 5)	4b _____
5a Form 8868 check here <input type="checkbox"/>	b Balance due (Form 8868, line 3c)	5b _____
6a Form 990-T check here <input type="checkbox"/>	b Total tax (Form 990-T, Part III, line 4)	6b _____
7a Form 4720 check here <input type="checkbox"/>	b Total tax (Form 4720, Part III, line 1)	7b _____
8a Form 5227 check here <input type="checkbox"/>	b FMV of assets at end of tax year (Form 5227, Item D)	8b _____
9a Form 5330 check here <input type="checkbox"/>	b Tax due (Form 5330, Part II, line 19)	9b _____
10a Form 8038-CP check here <input type="checkbox"/>	b Amount of credit payment requested (Form 8038-CP, Part III, line 22)	10b _____

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

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I am an officer of the above entity or I am a person subject to tax with respect to (name of entity) _____, (EIN) _____ and that I have examined a copy of the

2022 electronic return and accompanying schedules and statements, and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are true, correct, and complete. I further declare that the amount in Part I above is the amount shown on the copy of the electronic return. I consent to allow my intermediate service provider, transmitter, or electronic return originator (ERO) to send the return to the IRS and to receive from the IRS (a) an acknowledgement of receipt or reason for rejection of the transmission, (b) the reason for any delay in processing the return or refund, and (c) the date of any refund. If applicable, I authorize the U.S. Treasury and its designated Financial Agent to initiate an electronic funds withdrawal (direct debit) entry to the financial institution account indicated in the tax preparation software for payment of the federal taxes owed on this return, and the financial institution to debit the entry to this account. To revoke a payment, I must contact the U.S. Treasury Financial Agent at 1-888-353-4537 no later than 2 business days prior to the payment (settlement) date. I also authorize the financial institutions involved in the processing of the electronic payment of taxes to receive confidential information necessary to answer inquiries and resolve issues related to the payment. I have selected a personal identification number (PIN) as my signature for the electronic return and, if applicable, the consent to electronic funds withdrawal.

PIN: check one box only

I authorize Cynthia W Hertlein to enter my PIN 49494 as my signature
ERO firm name **Enter five numbers, but do not enter all zeros**

on the tax year 2022 electronically filed return. If I have indicated within this return that a copy of the return is being filed with a state agency(ies) regulating charities as part of the IRS Fed/State program, I also authorize the aforementioned ERO to enter my PIN on the return's disclosure consent screen.

As an officer or person subject to tax with respect to the entity, I will enter my PIN as my signature on the tax year 2022 electronically filed return. If I have indicated within this return that a copy of the return is being filed with a state agency(ies) regulating charities as part of the IRS Fed/State program, I will enter my PIN on the return's disclosure consent screen.

Signature of officer or person subject to tax _____

Date 09-28-2023

Part III Certification and Authentication

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

777808 49494

Do not enter all zeros

I certify that the above numeric entry is my PIN, which is my signature on the 2022 electronically filed return indicated above. I confirm that I am submitting this return in accordance with the requirements of **Pub. 4163**, Modernized e-File (MeF) Information for Authorized IRS e-file Providers for Business Returns.

ERO's signature _____

Date _____

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

**Form 990
Worksheet**

Schedule A, Line 5 - Excess 2% Limitation Contributors

(This page is not filed with the return. It is for your records only.)

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Name(s) as shown on return

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Tax ID Number

47-1224251

2% of the amount on Schedule A, Part II, line 11, column (f) **45,057**

Name	(a) 2018	(b) 2019	(c) 2020	(d) 2021	(e) 2022	(f) Total	(g) Excess contributions (col. (f) minus the 2% limitation)
Barnet Segal Charitable Trust	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	5,000	45,000	
Harden Foundation	50,000	35,000	35,000	35,000		155,000	109,943
Pebble Beach Company Foundation	10,000	8,500	8,500	8,500	10,000	45,500	443
Tanimura Family Foundation	55,000	65,000	65,000	65,000	65,000	315,000	269,943
Taylor Farms	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	125,000	79,943
Nancy Buck Ransom Foundation	15,000	15,000		15,000	15,000	60,000	14,943
Talbot Family Foundation				5,000	2,500	7,500	
Dunspaugh-Dalton Foundation	10,000			10,000		20,000	
International Paper Foundation					5,000	5,000	

Total

475,215

California Exempt Organization Annual Information Return

Calendar Year 2022 or fiscal year beginning (mm/dd/yyyy) 07-01-2022, and ending (mm/dd/yyyy) 06-30-2023

Corporation/Organization name THE READ TO ME PROJECT California corporation number 3678606

Additional information. See instructions. FEIN 47-1224251

Street address (suite or room) P O BOX 6434 PMB no.

City SALINAS State CA Zip code 93912-6434

Foreign country name Foreign province/state/county Foreign postal code

A First return B Amended return C IRC Section 4947(a)(1) trust D Final information return? E Check accounting method F Federal return filed? G Is this a group filing? H Is this organization in a group exemption I Did the organization have any changes to its guidelines J If exempt under R&TC Section 23701d... K Is the organization exempt under R&TC Section 23701g? L Is the organization a limited liability company? M Did the organization file Form 100 or Form 109 to report taxable income? N Is the organization under audit by the IRS or has the IRS audited in a prior year? O Is federal Form 1023/1024 pending? Date filed with IRS

Part I Complete Part I unless not required to file this form. See General Information B and C.

Table with columns for Receipts and Revenues, Expenses, and Filing Fee. Rows include Gross sales, Total gross receipts, Total expenses, and Balance due.

Sign Here section with fields for Signature of officer (CYNTHIA W HERTLEIN), Title (TREASURER), Date (09/28/2023), Telephone (831-236-3462), Preparer's signature, Firm's name, and a declaration statement.

Part II Organizations with gross receipts of more than \$50,000 and private foundations
regardless of amount of gross receipts - complete Part II or furnish substitute information.

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Receipts from Other Sources	1	Gross sales or receipts from all business activities. See instructions	•	1	71,707	00
	2	Interest	•	2	1,914	00
	3	Dividends	•	3		00
	4	Gross rents	•	4		00
	5	Gross royalties	•	5		00
	6	Gross amount received from sale of assets (See instructions)	•	6		00
	7	Other income. Attach schedule	•	7		00
	8	Total gross sales or receipts from other sources. Add line 1 through line 7. Enter here and on Side 1, Part I, line 1		8	73,621	00
	9	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts paid. Attach schedule	•	9		00
	10	Disbursements to or for members	•	10		00
	11	Compensation of officers, directors, and trustees. Attach schedule	•	11	80,795	00
Expenses and Disbursements	12	Other salaries and wages	•	12	209,403	00
	13	Interest	•	13		00
	14	Taxes	•	14		00
	15	Rents	•	15	18,335	00
	16	Depreciation and depletion (See instructions)	•	16		00
	17	Other expenses and disbursements. Attach schedule	•	17	74,196	00
	18	Total expenses and disbursements. Add line 9 through line 17. Enter here and on Side 1, Part I, line 9		18	382,729	00

Schedule L Balance Sheet		Beginning of taxable year		End of taxable year	
Assets		(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
1	Cash		445,579	•	581,267
2	Net accounts receivable		14,912	•	59,521
3	Net notes receivable			•	
4	Inventories			•	
5	Federal and state government obligations		100,007	•	
6	Investments in other bonds			•	
7	Investments in stock			•	
8	Mortgage loans			•	
9	Other investments. Attach schedule			•	
10 a	Depreciable assets	1,091		1,091	
b	Less accumulated depreciation	1,091		1,091	
11	Land			•	
12	Other assets. Attach schedule			•	1,651
13	Total assets		560,498		642,439
Liabilities and net worth					
14	Accounts payable		26,380	•	12,279
15	Contributions, gifts, or grants payable			•	
16	Bonds and notes payable			•	
17	Mortgages payable			•	
18	Other liabilities. Attach schedule				
19	Capital stock or principal fund			•	
20	Paid-in or capital surplus. Attach reconciliation			•	
21	Retained earnings or income fund		534,118	•	630,160
22	Total liabilities and net worth		560,498		642,439

Schedule M-1 Reconciliation of income per books with income per return
Do not complete this schedule if the amount on Schedule L, line 13, column (d), is less than \$50,000.

1	Net income per books	•	96,042	7	Income recorded on books this year not included in this return. Attach schedule	•	
2	Federal income tax	•		8	Deductions in this return not charged against book income this year. Attach schedule	•	
3	Excess of capital losses over capital gains	•		9	Total. Add line 7 and line 8		
4	Income not recorded on books this year. Attach schedule	•		10	Net income per return. Subtract line 9 from line 6		96,042
5	Expenses recorded on books this year not deducted in this return. Attach schedule	•					
6	Total. Add line 1 through line 5		96,042				

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www.oag.ca.gov/charities**ANNUAL REGISTRATION RENEWAL FEE REPORT
TO ATTORNEY GENERAL OF CALIFORNIA****Sections 12586 and 12587, California Government Code
11 Cal. Code Regs. sections 301-306, 309, 311, and 312**

Failure to submit this report annually no later than four months and fifteen days after the end of the organization's accounting period may result in the loss of tax exemption and the assessment of a minimum tax of \$800, plus interest, and/or fines or filing penalties. Revenue & Taxation Code section 23703; Government Code section 12586.1. IRS extensions will be honored.

(For Registry Use Only)

THE READ TO ME PROJECT Name of Organization		Check if: <input type="checkbox"/> Change of address	
List all DBAs and names the organization uses or has used P O BOX 6434		<input type="checkbox"/> Amended report	
Address (Number and Street) SALINAS, CA 93912-6434		State Charity Registration Number <u>CT-0212955</u>	
City or Town, State, and ZIP Code 831-659-2115		Corporation or Organization No. <u>3678606</u>	
Telephone Number <u>treasurer@readtomepr</u>		Federal Employer ID No. <u>47-1224251</u>	
E-mail Address			

**ANNUAL REGISTRATION RENEWAL FEE SCHEDULE (11 Cal. Code Regs. sections 301-307, 311, and 312)
Make Check Payable to Department of Justice**

Total Revenue	Fee	Total Revenue	Fee	Total Revenue	Fee
Less than \$50,000	\$25	Between \$250,001 and \$1 million	\$100	Between \$20,000,001 and \$100 million	\$800
Between \$50,000 and \$100,000	\$50	Between \$1,000,001 and \$5 million	\$200	Between \$100,000,001 and \$500 million	\$1,000
Between \$100,001 and \$250,000	\$75	Between \$5,000,001 and \$20 million	\$400	Greater than \$500 million	\$1,200

PART A - ACTIVITIESFor your most recent full accounting period (beginning 07-01-2022 ending 06-30-2023) list:

Total Revenue \$		Noncash Contributions \$		Total Assets \$	
(including noncash contributions)	<u>478,771</u>				<u>642,439</u>
Program Expenses \$	<u>229,902</u>	Total Expenses \$	<u>382,729</u>		

PART B - STATEMENTS REGARDING ORGANIZATION DURING THE PERIOD OF THIS REPORT**Note:** All questions must be answered. If you answer "yes" to any of the questions below, you must attach a separate page providing an explanation and details for each "yes" response. Please review RRF-1 instructions for information required.

	Yes	No
1. During this reporting period, were there any contracts, loans, leases or other financial transactions between the organization and any officer, director or trustee thereof, either directly or with an entity in which any such officer, director or trustee had any financial interest?		X
2. During this reporting period, was there any theft, embezzlement, diversion or misuse of the organization's charitable property or funds?		X
3. During this reporting period, were any organization funds used to pay any penalty, fine or judgment?		X
4. During this reporting period, were the services of a commercial fundraiser, fundraising counsel for charitable purposes, or commercial coventurer used?		X
5. During this reporting period, did the organization receive any governmental funding?	X	
6. During this reporting period, did the organization hold a raffle for charitable purposes?		X
7. Does the organization conduct a vehicle donation program?		X
8. Did the organization conduct an independent audit and prepare audited financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for this reporting period?		X
9. At the end of this reporting period, did the organization hold restricted net assets, while reporting negative unrestricted net assets?		X

I declare under penalty of perjury that I have examined this report, including accompanying documents, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, the content is true, correct and complete, and I am authorized to sign.

Signature of Authorized Agent	<u>CYNTHIA W HERTLEIN</u>	Printed Name	<u>TREASURER</u>	Title	<u>09-28-2023</u>	Date
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TAXABLE YEAR

2022

California e-file Return Authorization for Exempt Organizations

FORM

8453-EO

Exempt Organization name THE READ TO ME PROJECT	Identifying number 47-1224251
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Part I Electronic Return Information (whole dollars only)

1 Total gross receipts (Form 199, line 4)	1	478,771
2 Total gross income (Form 199, line 8)	2	478,771
3 Total expenses and disbursements (Form 199, line 9)	3	382,729

Part II Settle Your Account Electronically for Taxable Year 2022

4 <input type="checkbox"/> Electronic funds withdrawal	4a Amount _____	4b Withdrawal date (mm/dd/yyyy) _____
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Part III Banking Information (Have you verified the exempt organization's banking information?)

5 Routing number _____	7 Type of account: <input type="checkbox"/> Checking <input type="checkbox"/> Savings
6 Account number _____	

Part IV Declaration of Officer

I authorize the exempt organization's account to be settled as designated in Part II. If I check Part II, box 4, I authorize an electronic funds withdrawal for the amount listed on line 4a.

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I am an officer of the above exempt organization and that the information I provided to my electronic return originator (ERO), transmitter, or intermediate service provider and the amounts in Part I above agree with the amounts on the corresponding lines of the exempt organization's 2022 California electronic return. To the best of my knowledge and belief, the exempt organization's return is true, correct, and complete. If the exempt organization is filing a balance due return, I understand that if the Franchise Tax Board (FTB) does not receive full and timely payment of the exempt organization's fee liability, the exempt organization will remain liable for the fee liability and all applicable interest and penalties. I authorize the exempt organization return and accompanying schedules and statements be transmitted to the FTB by the ERO, transmitter, or intermediate service provider. If the processing of the exempt organization's return or refund is delayed, I authorize the FTB to disclose to the ERO or intermediate service provider the reason(s) for the delay.

Sign Here

Signature of officer

09-28-2023
Date

TREASURER
Title

Part V Declaration of Electronic Return Originator (ERO) and Paid Preparer. See instructions.

I declare that I have reviewed the above exempt organization's return and that the entries on form FTB 8453-EO are complete and correct to the best of my knowledge. (If I am only an intermediate service provider, I understand that I am not responsible for reviewing the exempt organization's return. I declare, however, that form FTB 8453-EO accurately reflects the data on the return.) I have obtained the organization officer's signature on form FTB 8453-EO before transmitting this return to the FTB; I have provided the organization officer with a copy of all forms and information that I will file with the FTB, and I have followed all other requirements described in FTB Pub. 1345, 2022 Handbook for Authorized e-file Providers. I will keep form FTB 8453-EO on file for four years from the due date of the return or four years from the date the exempt organization return is filed, whichever is later, and I will make a copy available to the FTB upon request. If I am also the paid preparer, under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the above exempt organization's return and accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are true, correct, and complete. I make this declaration based on all information of which I have knowledge.

ERO Must Sign	ERO's signature	Date	Check if also paid preparer <input type="checkbox"/>	Check if self-employed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ERO's PTIN 559-68-4641
	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed) and address	CYNTHIA W HERTLEIN PO BOX 90 CARMEL VALLEY, CA			Firm's FEIN
					ZIP code 93924

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the above organization's return and accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are true, correct, and complete. I make this declaration based on all information of which I have knowledge.

Paid Preparer Must Sign	Paid preparer's signature	Date	Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/>	Paid preparer's PTIN
	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed) and address			

Name(s) as shown on return

SSN/FEIN

The Read to Me Project

47-1224251

Description**Amount**

payroll taxes	\$ 25,586
employee benefits	6,453
Accounting	6,748
office expennse	3,770
information technology	2,305
travel	7,542
insurance	3,424
direct program cost	14,833
dues and subscriptions	1,291
frunraising	965
recruiting, training etc	619
conferences, meetings	660
Total:	\$ 74,196