

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

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

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 ▶ Information about Form 990 and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

2013**Open to Public Inspection**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

A For the 2013 calendar year, or tax year beginning		, 2013, and ending	
B Check if applicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	C JAPAN-AMERICA SOCIETY OF TENNESSEE P.O. BOX 330003 NASHVILLE, TN 37203		D Employer Identification Number 62-1797389
	F Name and address of principal officer: LEIGH WIELAND SAME AS C ABOVE		E Telephone number (615) 663-6060
			G Gross receipts \$ 621,078.
	I Tax-exempt status <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) () (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527		H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No H(b) Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If 'No,' attach a list. (see instructions)
J Website: WWW.JASTN.ORG			
K Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other		L Year of formation: 2000	M State of legal domicile: TN

Part I Summary			
Activities & Governance	1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <u>TO PROMOTE FRIENDLY RELATIONS AND CULTURAL UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE AND JAPAN, THE JAPAN-AMERICA SOCIETY OF TENNESSEE, INC. (JAST) WAS FORMED AS A NON-PROFIT, 501(C)3 CORPORATION, FUNDED BY INDIVIDUAL AND CORPORATE MEMBERSHIP FEES.</u>	
	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)	26
	4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	26
	5	Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2013 (Part V, line 2a)	0
	6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	176
	7a	Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	0.
	7b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	0.
Revenue	8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	146,350.
	9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	106,344.
	10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	160,416.
	11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	19,031.
	12	Total revenue — add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	-6,605.
	12		276,295.
Expenses	13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	10,000.
	14	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	20,000.
	15	Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	70,000.
	16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	40,000.
	b	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25)	
	17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	402,195.
	18	Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	242,941.
19	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	482,195.	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	-69,298.
	21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	-26,646.
	22	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	842,050.
			806,498.

Part II Signature Block					
Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.					
Sign Here		Signature of officer	Date		
		LEIGH WIELAND	CEO		
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN
	DAVID G. HOWARD				P00031538
	Firm's name	FRASIER, DEAN & HOWARD, PLLC			Firm's EIN
	Firm's address	3310 WEST END AVENUE, STE. 550 NASHVILLE, TN 37203			Phone no. (615) 383-6592

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

Part III Statement of Program Service AccomplishmentsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III ☒**1** Briefly describe the organization's mission:

SEE SCHEDULE O

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 and section 4947(a)(1) trusts 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 \$ 124,919. including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 97,288.)

NASHVILLE CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL (MARCH 24)

THE NASHVILLE CHERRY BLOSSOM PROJECT HAS AS ITS MISSION TO PLANT 1,000 CHERRY TREES IN THE CITY OVER 10 YEARS. THANKS TO GENEROUS INDIVIDUAL DONORS AND CORPORATE SPONSORS, 500 CHERRY TREES HAVE TAKEN ROOT FROM 2009 THROUGH 2013. A PUBLIC FESTIVAL WAS HELD, FREE OF CHARGE, ON MARCH 24TH, ATTRACTING APPROXIMATELY 10,000 VISITORS. TWO STAGES FEATURING MUSICAL, MARTIAL ARTS AND DANCE PERFORMANCES AND MORE THAN 30 VENDOR, DEMONSTRATION AND EXHIBIT BOOTHS DISPLAYED VARIOUS ASPECTS OF JAPANESE MODERN AND TRADITIONAL CULTURE.

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ 25,509. including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 27,325.)

36TH ANNUAL JOINT MEETING OF THE SOUTHEAST US/JAPAN AND JAPAN/US SOUTHEAST

ASSOCIATIONS - NOVEMBER 16-18, 2013, BILOXI, MS.

COORDINATED REGISTRATION AND ALL DETAILS FOR TENNESSEE DELEGATIONS AT THIS ANNUAL 2.5-DAY MEETING WHICH ATTRACTED 350 AND WAS LED BY TENNESSEE GOVERNOR BILL HASLAM.

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ 23,459. including grants of \$ 20,000.) (Revenue \$)

AWARDED \$20,000 FOR MITSUI USA SCHOLARSHIPS IN TENNESSEE PROGRAM (2013-2014)

MITSUI USA SCHOLARSHIPS IN TENNESSEE PROGRAM APPLICATIONS WERE MADE AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOADING THROUGH OUR WEBSITE. A NEWS RELEASE AND A MAILING TO PRINCIPALS AND GUIDANCE COUNSELORS AT TENNESSEE'S HIGH SCHOOLS FOLLOWED THE POSTING. THE SCHOLARSHIP REVIEW COMMITTEE MADE ITS SELECTION OF FOUR MITSUI USA FINALISTS FOR 2013-2014 IN JUNE.

4d Other program services. (Describe in Schedule O.) SEE SCHEDULE O

(Expenses \$ 58,602. including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 35,803.)

4e Total program service expenses 232,489.

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule A.	X	
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors (see instructions)?	X	
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part I.		X
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part II.		X
5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part III.		X
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part I.		X
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part II.		X
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part III.		X
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability; serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part IV.		X
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part V.		X
11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is 'Yes,' then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable.		
a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings and equipment in Part X, line 10? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part VI.		X
b Did the organization report an amount for investments — other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part VII.		X
c Did the organization report an amount for investments — program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part VIII.		X
d Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part IX.		X
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part X.		X
f Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part X.		X
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Parts XI, and XII.		X
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If 'Yes,' and if the organization answered 'No' to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional.		X
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule E.		X
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		X
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV.		X
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV.		X
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV.		X
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule G, Part I (see instructions).		X
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule G, Part II.	X	
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule G, Part III.		X
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule H.		X
b If 'Yes' to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

		Yes	No
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organizations or government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule I, Parts I and II.</i>	21		X
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to individuals in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule I, Parts I and III.</i>	22	X	
23 Did the organization answer 'Yes' to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule J.</i>	23		X
24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If 'Yes,' answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If 'No,' go to line 25a.</i>	24a		X
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b		
c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?	24c		
d Did the organization act as an 'on behalf of' issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d		
25a Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part I.</i>	25a		X
b Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part I.</i>	25b		X
26 Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? <i>If so, complete Schedule L, Part II.</i>	26		X
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part III.</i>	27		X
28 Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions):			
a A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>	28a		X
b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>	28b		X
c An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>	28c		X
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule M.</i>	29		X
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule M.</i>	30		X
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule N, Part I.</i>	31		X
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule N, Part II.</i>	32		X
33 Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part I.</i>	33		X
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1.</i>	34		X
35a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35a		X
b If 'Yes' to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2.</i>	35b		
36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2.</i>	36		X
37 Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part VI.</i>	37		X
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O.	38	X	

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Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax ComplianceCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V. ☐

		Yes	No
1 a Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable.	1 a 9		
b Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable.	1 b 0		
c Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	1 c	X	
2 a 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.	2 a 0		
b If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns?	2 b		
Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions)			
3 a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	3 a		X
b If 'Yes' has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If 'No' to line 3b, provide an explanation in Schedule O.	3 b		
4 a 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)?	4 a		X
b If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country: See instructions for filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.			
5 a Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5 a		X
b Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5 b		X
c If 'Yes,' to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	5 c		
6 a 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?	6 a		X
b If 'Yes,' did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	6 b		
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?	7 a		X
b If 'Yes,' did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7 b		
c Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7 c		X
d If 'Yes,' indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year.	7 d		
e Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7 e		X
f Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7 f		X
g If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7 g		
h If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	7 h		
8 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations. Did the supporting organization, or a donor advised fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	8		
9 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.			
a Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?	9 a		
b Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	9 b		
10 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:			
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12.	10 a		
b Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities.	10 b		
11 Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter:			
a Gross income from members or shareholders.	11 a		
b Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	11 b		
12 a Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12 a		
b If 'Yes,' enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year.	12 b		
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?	13 a		
Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.			
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.	13 b		
c Enter the amount of reserves on hand.	13 c		
14 a Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14 a		X
b If 'Yes,' has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If 'No,' provide an explanation in Schedule O.	14 b		

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. ☒**Section A. Governing Body and Management**

	Yes	No
1 a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year. 1 a 26 If there are material differences in voting rights among members SEE SCH. O of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O.		
b Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent 1 b 26		
2 Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee or key employee?	2	X
3 Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?	3	X
4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	4	X
5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?	5	X
6 Did the organization have members or stockholders?	6	X
7 a 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?	7 a	X
b Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or other persons other than the governing body?	7 b	X
8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
a The governing body?	8 a X	
b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	8 b X	
9 Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If 'Yes,' provide the names and addresses in Schedule O.	9	X

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

	Yes	No
10 a Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	10 a X	
b 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?	10 b X	
11 a Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	11 a X	
b Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990. SEE SCHEDULE O		
12 a Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If 'No,' go to line 13.	12 a X	
b Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	12 b X	
c Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If 'Yes,' describe in Schedule O how this was done. SEE SCHEDULE O	12 c X	
13 Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	13 X	
14 Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	14 X	
15 Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?		
a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official. SEE SCHEDULE O.	15 a X	
b Other officers of key employees of the organization.	15 b	X
If 'Yes' to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O. (See instructions.)		
16 a Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?	16 a	X
b 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 taken steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?	16 b	

Section C. Disclosure

17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ▶ TN

18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you make these available. Check all that apply.

☐ Own website ☐ Another's website ☒ Upon request ☐ Other (explain in Schedule O)

19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization makes its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year. SEE SCHEDULE O

20 State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization:

▶ RITA REED PO BOX 330003 NASHVILLE TN 37203 (615) 663-6060

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent ContractorsCheck 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****1 a** Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of 'key employee.'
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

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

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

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below 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)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) CHRISTINE KARBOWIAK BOARD CHAIR	0.5 0	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(2) RALPH SCHULZ VICE CHAIR	0.5 0	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(3) ROBERT C. ARNETT IMMED PAST CHR	0.5 0	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(4) MIKE FEDELE TREASURER	0.5 0	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(5) CATHY HOLLAND SECRETARY	0.5 0	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(6) JOHN GORRIS BOARD MEMBER	0.5 0	X						0.	0.	0.
(7) KEITH HAYES BOARD MEMBER	0.5 0	X						0.	0.	0.
(8) BOB BOOKER BOARD MEMBER	0.5 0	X						0.	0.	0.
(9) HIRO ITO BOARD MEMBER	0.5 0	X						0.	0.	0.
(10) BRUCE NELSON BOARD MEMBER	0.5 0	X						0.	0.	0.
(11) BOB DUTHIE BOARD MEMBER	0.5 0	X						0.	0.	0.
(12) JOHN SCANNAPIECO BOARD MEMBER	0.5 0	X						0.	0.	0.
(13) JENNE DOBARD BOARD MEMBER	0.5 0	X						0.	0.	0.
(14) R. JACK FISHMAN BOARD MEMBER	0.5 0	X						0.	0.	0.

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

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)					(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee			
(15) PATRICK J. HIGGINS BOARD MEMBER	0.5 0	X					0.	0.	0.
(16) STEPHANIE RUSSELL BOARD MEMBER	0.5 0	X					0.	0.	0.
(17) MICHAEL STAGG BOARD MEMBER	0.5 0	X					0.	0.	0.
(18) HIROKI ZENDA BOARD MEMBER	0.5 0	X					0.	0.	0.
(19) DENA NESSARI BOARD MEMBER	0.5 0	X					0.	0.	0.
(20) CELESTE WILSON BOARD MEMBER	0.5 0	X					0.	0.	0.
(21) MARK STOUT BOARD MEMBER	0.5 0	X					0.	0.	0.
(22) KANZI TAKAYAMA BOARD MEMBER	0.5 0	X					0.	0.	0.
(23) YUKARI ISHII BOARD MEMBER	0.5 0	X					0.	0.	0.
(24) M. KIM VANCE BOARD MEMBER	0.5 0	X					0.	0.	0.
(25) TORU UCHIBAYASHI BOARD MEMBER	0.5 0	X					0.	0.	0.
1 b Sub-total							0.	0.	0.
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A							40,000.	0.	0.
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)							40,000.	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, or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule J for such individual.</i>		X
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If 'Yes' complete Schedule J for such individual.</i>		X
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule J for such person.</i>		X

Section B. Independent Contractors

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

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

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

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Name of the Organization

JAPAN-AMERICA SOCIETY OF TENNESSEE

Employer Identification number

62-1797389

Part VII	Continuation: Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees
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Part VIII Statement of RevenueCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII ☐

			(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514
CONTRIBUTIONS, GIFTS, GRANTS AND OTHER SIMILAR AMOUNTS	1 a Federated campaigns	1 a				
	b Membership dues	1 b				
	c Fundraising events	1 c 21,300.				
	d Related organizations	1 d				
	e Government grants (contributions)	1 e				
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1 f 85,044.				
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$	10,000.				
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f		106,344.			
PROGRAM SERVICE REVENUE	Business Code					
	2 a CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL	900099	97,288.	97,288.		
	b SEUS REGISTRATION FEES	900099	27,325.	27,325.		
	c MONOZUKURI SEMINAR	900099	16,481.	16,481.		
	d JAST WEST	900099	11,442.	11,442.		
	e JAPANESE SPEECH CONTEST	900099	7,880.	7,880.		
	f All other program service revenue					
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f		160,416.			
OTHER REVENUE	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest and other similar amounts)		28,799.			28,799.
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds					
	5 Royalties					
	6 a Gross rents	(i) Real (ii) Personal				
	b Less: rental expenses					
	c Rental income or (loss)					
	d Net rental income or (loss)					
	7 a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities (ii) Other				
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses					
	c Gain or (loss)					
	d Net gain or (loss)		-9,768.			-9,768.
	8 a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$21,300. of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	a 5,410.				
	b Less: direct expenses	b 16,841.				
	c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events		-11,431.			-11,431.
	9 a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	a				
	b Less: direct expenses	b				
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities					
	10 a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a				
	b Less: cost of goods sold	b				
	c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory					
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code				
11 a OTHER REVENUE		1,935.			1,935.	
b						
c						
d All other revenue						
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d		1,935.				
12 Total revenue. See instructions		276,295.	160,416.	0.	9,535.	

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 governments and organizations in the United States. See Part IV, line 21				
2 Grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States. See Part IV, line 22	20,000.	20,000.		
3 Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the United States. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	40,000.	24,000.	16,000.	0.
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	0.	0.	0.	0.
7 Other salaries and wages				
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)				
9 Other employee benefits				
10 Payroll taxes				
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management				
b Legal				
c Accounting	5,925.		5,925.	
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees	3,981.		3,981.	
g Other. (If line 11g amt exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O.)	65,420.	34,252.	31,168.	
12 Advertising and promotion				
13 Office expenses	13,378.		13,378.	
14 Information technology				
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy				
17 Travel				
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	154,237.	154,237.		
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization				
23 Insurance				
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a				
b				
c				
d				
e All other expenses				
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	302,941.	232,489.	70,452.	0.
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 SheetCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X. ☐

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
ASSETS	1 Cash — non-interest-bearing	338,610.	1	178,815.
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	503,440.	2	6,986.
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	
	4 Accounts receivable, net		4	
	5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions). Complete Part II of Schedule L		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		9	
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b		10c
	11 Investments — publicly traded securities		11	620,697.
	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 34)	842,050.	16	806,498.	
LIABILITIES	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses		17	
	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 current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D		25	
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	0.	26	0.
NET ASSETS OR FUND BALANCES	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets		27	
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets		28	
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds	842,050.	32	806,498.
	33 Total net assets or fund balances	842,050.	33	806,498.
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	842,050.	34	806,498.	

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Part XI Reconciliation of Net AssetsCheck 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	276,295.
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	302,941.
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-26,646.
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	842,050.
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	-8,906.
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	0.
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	806,498.

Part XII Financial Statements and ReportingCheck 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____		
If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked 'Other,' explain in Schedule O.		
2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?	2a	X
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		
b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?	2b	X
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		
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?	2c	
If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in 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 Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?	3a	X
b If 'Yes,' did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits.	3b	

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SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support

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

► Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

► Information about Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Open to Public Inspection

Name of the organization

JAPAN-AMERICA SOCIETY OF TENNESSEE

Employer identification number

62-1797389

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 11, 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.)
- 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 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.)
- 10 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4)**.
- 11 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or 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 that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h.
- a ☐ Type I b ☐ Type II c ☐ Type III – Functionally integrated d ☐ Type III – Non-functionally integrated
- e ☐ By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2).
- f ☐ If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that is a Type I, Type II or Type III supporting organization, check this box.
- g Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons?

- (i) A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (ii) and (iii) below, the governing body of the supported organization?
- (ii) A family member of a person described in (i) above?
- (iii) A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above?

	Yes	No
11 g (i)		
11 g (ii)		
11 g (iii)		

h Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-9 above or IRC section (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization in column (i) listed in your governing document?		(v) Did you notify the organization in column (i) of your support?		(vi) Is the organization in column (i) organized in the U.S.?		(vii) Amount of monetary support
			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
(A)									
(B)									
(C)									
(D)									
(E)									
Total									

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Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2013

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) 2009	(b) 2010	(c) 2011	(d) 2012	(e) 2013	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any 'unusual grants'.)	307,348.	1,175,670.	115,556.	146,350.	106,344.	1,851,268.
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf.						0.
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge.						0.
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3.	307,348.	1,175,670.	115,556.	146,350.	106,344.	1,851,268.
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).						317,703.
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						1,533,565.

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2009	(b) 2010	(c) 2011	(d) 2012	(e) 2013	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4.	307,348.	1,175,670.	115,556.	146,350.	106,344.	1,851,268.
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources.				13,972.	28,799.	42,771.
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on.						0.
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets. (Explain in Part IV.) SEE PART IV	29.			2,530.	1,935.	4,494.
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10.						1,898,533.
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions).					12	827,152.
13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2013 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f)).	14	80.78 %
15 Public support percentage from 2012 Schedule A, Part II, line 14.	15	85.97 %
16a 33-1/3% support test – 2013. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and the 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 – 2012. 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 – 2013. 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 IV 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 – 2012. 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 IV 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 9 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal yr beginning in) ▶	(a) 2009	(b) 2010	(c) 2011	(d) 2012	(e) 2013	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions and membership fees received. (Do not include any 'unusual grants'.)						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose.						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513.						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf.						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5.						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons.						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year.						
c Add lines 7a and 7b.						
8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal yr beginning in) ▶	(a) 2009	(b) 2010	(c) 2011	(d) 2012	(e) 2013	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6.						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources.						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975.						
c Add lines 10a and 10b.						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on.						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
13 Total Support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11 and 12.)						

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

15 Public support percentage for 2013 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)).	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2012 Schedule A, Part III, line 15.	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2013 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)).	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2012 Schedule A, Part III, line 17.	18	%

19a 33-1/3% support tests — 2013. 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 — 2012.** 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

Supplemental Information. Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; and Part III, line 12. Also complete this part for any additional information.
(See instructions).

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PART II, LINE 10 - OTHER INCOME

NATURE AND SOURCE	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
OTHER REVENUE	\$ 1,935.	\$ 2,530.			\$ 29.
TOTAL	<u>\$ 1,935.</u>	<u>\$ 2,530.</u>	<u>\$ 0.</u>	<u>\$ 0.</u>	<u>\$ 29.</u>

SCHEDULE G
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information Regarding
Fundraising or Gaming Activities

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, lines 17, 18, or 19, or if the organization entered more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.
▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ See separate instructions.
▶ Information about Schedule G (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Part I

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

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

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

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

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

(i) Name and address of individual or entity (fundraiser)	(ii) Activity	(iii) Did fundraiser have custody or control of contributions?		(iv) Gross receipts from activity	(v) Amount paid to (or retained by) fundraiser listed in column (i)	(vi) Amount paid to (or retained by) organization
		Yes	No			
1						
2						
3						
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9						
10						
Total						0.

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

Part II Fundraising Events. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to 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
		JAST GOLF CLAS (event type)	(event type)	NONE (total number)	(add column (a) through column (c))
REVENUE	1 Gross receipts	26,710.			26,710.
	2 Less: Charitable contributions	21,300.			21,300.
	3 Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)	5,410.			5,410.
DIRECT EXPENSES	4 Cash prizes				
	5 Noncash prizes				
	6 Rent/facility costs				
	7 Food and beverages				
	8 Entertainment				
	9 Other direct expenses	16,841.			16,841.
	10 Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d)				16,841.
	11 Net income summary. Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d)				-11,431.

Part III Gaming. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to 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 column (a) through column (c))
REVENUE	1 Gross revenue				
DIRECT EXPENSES	2 Cash prizes				
	3 Noncash prizes				
	4 Rent/facility costs				
	5 Other direct expenses				
	6 Volunteer labor	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	
	7 Direct expense summary. Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d)				
	8 Net gaming income summary. Subtract line 7 from line 1, column (d)				

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

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

b If 'No,' explain: _____

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

b If 'Yes,' explain: _____

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|----|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 11 | Does the organization operate gaming activities with nonmembers?..... | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 12 | Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming?..... | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |

- | | | |
|------------------------------------------------------------|------|---|
| 13 Indicate the percentage of gaming activity operated in: | | |
| a The organization's facility..... | 13 a | % |
| b An outside facility..... | 13 b | % |

- 14** Enter the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records:

Name ▶ _____

Address ▶

- 15 a** Does the organization have a contact with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue?..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- b** If 'Yes,' enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization ► \$ _____ and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party ► \$ _____.
- c** If 'Yes,' enter name and address of the third party: _____

Name ▶ _____

Address ▶

- 16** Gaming manager information:

Name ▶ _____

Gaming manager compensation ▶ \$ _____

Description of services provided ▶

☐ Director/officer ☐ Employee ☐ Independent contractor

- ## 17 Mandatory distributions

- a** Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license? _____ ☐ Yes ☐ No
- b** Enter the amount of distributions required under state law to be distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year ▶ \$ _____

Part IV	Supplemental Information. Provide the explanations required by Part I, line 2b, columns (iii) and (v), and Part III, lines 9, 9b, 10b, 15b, 15c, 16, and 17b, as applicable. Also provide any additional information (see instructions).
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SCHEDULE I
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

**Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,
Governments, and Individuals in the United States**

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.
▶ Attach to Form 990.

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Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance

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

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

1 (a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
(1) -----							
(2) -----							
(3) -----							
(4) -----							
(5) -----							
(6) -----							
(7) -----							
(8) -----							

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

Part III **Grants and Other Assistance to Individuals in the United States.** Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 22.
Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of non-cash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of non-cash assistance
1 SCHOLARSHIPS	4	20,000.			
2					
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7					

Part IV **Supplemental Information.** Provide the information required in Part I, line 2, Part III, column (b), and any other additional information.**PART I, LINE 2 - PROCEDURES FOR MONITORING USE OF GRANTS FUNDS IN U.S.**

A SCHOLARSHIP REVIEW COMMITTEE COMPRISED OF 5 JAST MEMBERS REVIEWS THE APPLICATIONS

AND EACH MEMBER RANKS THE APPLICANTS BASED ON A PRESCRIBED HIERARCHY OF CRITERIA.

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

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

► Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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FORM 990, PART III, LINE 1 - ORGANIZATION MISSION

TO PROMOTE FRIENDLY RELATIONS AND CULTURAL UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE PEOPLE OF THE
STATE OF TENNESSEE AND JAPAN, THE JAPAN-AMERICA SOCIETY OF TENNESSEE, INC. (JAST)
WAS FORMED AS A NON-PROFIT, 501(C)3 CORPORATION, FUNDED BY INDIVIDUAL AND CORPORATE
MEMBERSHIP FEES.

GOALS

-PROVIDING TO THE CITIZENS OF TENNESSEE ACCURATE INFORMATION ABOUT THE PEOPLE OF
JAPAN AND THEIR CULTURE;

-PROMOTING SOCIAL, CULTURAL, SCIENTIFIC AND EDUCATIONAL INTERCHANGE BETWEEN
TENNESSEE AND JAPAN; AND

-ENCOURAGING APPRECIATION AND RESPECT FOR THE DIFFERENCES AND SIMILARITIES OF THE
CULTURES OF THE PEOPLES OF JAPAN AND TENNESSEE

ACTIVITIES

ANNUAL NETWORKING RECEPTIONS AND SUPPORT OF TENNESSEE'S BUSINESS DELEGATIONS TO THE
SOUTHEAST-U.S. JAPAN ASSOCIATION CONFERENCES EACH YEAR ARE HIGHLIGHTS OF THE
ORGANIZATION'S ACTIVITIES. JAST-SUPPORTED PROGRAMS ALSO INCLUDE THE MITSUI USA
SCHOLARSHIPS IN TENNESSEE PROGRAM, AN ANNUAL TENNESSEE-AREA JAPANESE SPEECH CONTEST,
AND A VARIETY OF REGIONAL CULTURAL FESTIVALS - INCLUDING THE NASHVILLE CHERRY
BLOSSOM FESTIVAL - AS WELL AS OCCASIONAL GATHERINGS THAT FOCUS ON SPECIFIC ASPECTS
OF BUSINESS, CULTURE AND SOCIETY, INCLUDING LECTURES, SEMINARS, EXHIBITIONS, MUSIC
PERFORMANCES, ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS AND OTHER SOCIAL AND NETWORKING EVENTS.

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FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4D - OTHER PROGRAM SERVICES DESCRIPTION

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING & RECEPTION (APRIL 26). JAST'S ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING AND RECEPTION WERE ATTENDED BY 85 MEMBERS AND GUESTS. FEATURED WERE THE TENNESSEE ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSIONER BILL HAGERTY AND CONSUL GENERAL OF JAPAN IN NASHVILLE MOTOHIKO KATO ALONG WITH SPONSORS FROM THE NASHVILLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND NISSAN NORTH AMERICA.

JAST WEST - MEMPHIS BOTANIC GARDEN

AT THIS FESTIVAL HOSTED BY MEMPHIS BOTANIC GARDEN, JAST PARTICIPATED AS A SPONSOR AND KEY ORGANIZER OF VOLUNTEERS FROM THE JAPANESE COMMUNITY TO SHOWCASE TRADITIONAL CULTURE TO THE FESTIVAL-GOERS.

SIXTH ANNUAL TENNESSEE AREA JAPANESE SPEECH CONTEST (APRIL 6)

34 STUDENTS OF THE JAPANESE LANGUAGE FROM 7 TENNESSEE UNIVERSITIES SHOWCASED THEIR LANGUAGE SKILLS AND COMPETED FOR TOP RANKINGS AND PRIZES AT THE 6TH ANNUAL TENNESSEE AREA JAPANESE SPEECH CONTEST ON APRIL 6, 2013. VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY WAS THE HOST SCHOOL. DURING THE COMPETITION, A PANEL OF JUDGES RANKED COMPETITORS WITHIN THEIR RESPECTIVE LEVELS OF LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY. FOLLOWING THE JUDGING OUTCOME, PRIZES WERE AWARDED TO THE TOP-RANKED CONTESTANTS. GRANT FUNDING WAS USED TO PURCHASE PRIZES FOR THE WINNERS OF EACH LEVEL AND BENTO BOX DINNERS FOR THE JUDGES AND PARTICIPANTS FOLLOWING THE CONTEST.

THE MINDSET OF MONOZUKURI SEMINAR/JAPAN INTELLECTUAL SEMINAR -

INDUSTRY LEADERS FROM THE AUTOMOTIVE, MANUFACTURING AND TRADE COMMUNITIES IN THE U.S. AND JAPAN EXAMINED HOW JAPANESE TIER-1 SUPPLIER COMPANIES HAVE COLLABORATED WITH THEIR NORTH AMERICAN COUNTERPARTS THROUGH THE SHARED MINDSET OF MONOZUKURI, THE SPIRIT TO PRODUCE EXCELLENT PRODUCTS AND THE ABILITY TO CONSTANTLY IMPROVE A

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FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4D - OTHER PROGRAM SERVICES DESCRIPTION

PRODUCTION SYSTEM AND PROCESS.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 1A - EXPLANATION OF DELEGATED BROAD AUTHORITY TO COMMITTEE

THE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE IS MADE UP OF THE OFFICERS OF THE BOARD, REGIONAL CHAIRS, CHAIR OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE, THE CEO, AND UP TO THREE ADDITIONAL BOARD MEMBERS.

THE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MAY EXERCISE THE POWERS OF THE BOARD WHEN IT IS NOT PRACTICAL OR FEASIBLE FOR THE BOARD TO MEET. THE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE ALSO ASSISTS THE BOARD IN DEVELOPING AND OVERSEEING THE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES REGARDING BOARD COMPOSITION AND NOMINATIONS; DEVELOPING, RECOMMENDING AND OVERSEEING THE ORGANIZATION'S CORPORATE GOVERNANCE GUIDELINES AND PRINCIPLES; OVERSEEING AND COORDINATING PERFORMANCE REVIEW AND COMPENSATION OF THE CEO; PROVIDING GUIDANCE TO MANAGEMENT ON ISSUES RELATING TO ORGANIZATIONAL AND GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE; AND EVALUATING THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE CEO AND THE BOARD.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 11B - FORM 990 REVIEW PROCESS

FORM 990 IS PROVIDED TO ALL BOARD MEMBERS AND IS REVIEWED BY THE CEO PRIOR TO FILING.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 12C - EXPLANATION OF MONITORING AND ENFORCEMENT OF CONFLICTS

ANNUALLY, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS IS ASKED TO REVIEW THE CONFLICTS OF INTEREST POLICY AND ADVISE OF ANY POTENTIAL VIOLATIONS. THE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE CONSIDERS ANY REPORT OF SUSPECTED CONFLICT OF INTEREST.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 15A - COMPENSATION REVIEW & APPROVAL PROCESS - CEO, TOP MANAGEMENT

COMPENSATION DATA FROM AREA NON-PROFITS AND THE WORKLOAD OF THE CEO IS REVIEWED BY THE FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEES, AFTER WHICH A PROPOSAL FOR COMPENSATION IS PRESENTED TO THE FULL BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL.

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FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 19 - OTHER ORGANIZATION DOCUMENTS PUBLICLY AVAILABLE

GOVERNING DOCS, POLICIES, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE MADE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.

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FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 11G
OTHER FEES FOR SERVICES

	(A) TOTAL	(B) PROGRAM SERVICES	(C) MANAGEMENT & GENERAL	(D) FUND- RAISING
OUTSIDE SERVICES	65,420.	34,252.	31,168.	
TOTAL	<u>\$ 65,420.</u>	<u>\$ 34,252.</u>	<u>\$ 31,168.</u>	<u>\$ 0.</u>