Common Language Project 501(c)(3) application

The Common Language Project runs the Seattle Globalist, a "hyperglobal" publication covering connections between Seattle, Washington and the rest of the globe. The project is housed by the University of Washington's Department of Communications.

The Common Language Project incorporated as a Washington State nonprofit corporation on December 7, 2006, and filed for 501(c)(3) status on January 25, 2007. According to the applicant, the IRS requested a small modification to the purposes section of their articles of incorporation, and granted the application shortly thereafter.

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Form 1023 (Rev. June 2006) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Application for Recognition of Exemption Under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code

OMB No. 1545-0056

Note: If exempt status is approved, this application will be open for public inspection.

Use the instructions to complete this application and for a definition of all **bold** items. For additional help, call IRS Exempt Organizations Customer Account Services toll-free at 1-877-829-5500. Visit our website at **www.irs.gov** for forms and publications. If the required information and documents are not submitted with payment of the appropriate user fee, the application may be returned to you.

Attach additional sheets to this application if you need more space to answer fully. Put your name and EIN on each sheet and identify each answer by Part and line number. Complete Parts I - XI of Form 1023 and submit only those Schedules (A through H) that apply to you.

Pai	t I Identification of Applicant						
1	Full name of organization (exactly as it appears in your organizing	document)	2 c/o Name (if applic	able)			
The	Common Language Project						
3	Mailing address (Number and street) (see instructions)	Room/Suite	4 Employer Identification N	Number (E	EIN)		
	City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4		5 Month the annual accou	nting per	iod end	ls (01 – 1	2)
Sea	ttle, WA 98108		12				
6	Primary contact (officer, director, trustee, or authorized repres	entative)					
	a Name: Jessica Partnow		b Phone:				
			c Fax: (optional)				
7	Are you represented by an authorized representative, such as a provide the authorized representative's name, and the name an representative's firm. Include a completed Form 2848, <i>Power o Representative</i> , with your application if you would like us to cor	d address of t f Attorney and	he authorized Declaration of		Yes		No
8	Was a person who is not one of your officers, directors, trustee representative listed in line 7, paid, or promised payment, to he the structure or activities of your organization, or about your fin provide the person's name, the name and address of the person promised to be paid, and describe that person's role.	lp plan, mana ancial or tax m	ge, or advise you about natters? If "Yes,"	_	Yes		No
9a	Organization's website: www.commonlanguageproject.net						
b	Organization's email: (optional)						
10	Certain organizations are not required to file an information retu are granted tax-exemption, are you claiming to be excused fror "Yes," explain. See the instructions for a description of organiza- Form 990-EZ.	n filing Form 9	990 or Form 990-EZ? If		Yes		No
11	Date incorporated if a corporation, or formed, if other than a co	rporation. (N	MM/DD/YYYY) 12	/ 07	/	2006	
12	Were you formed under the laws of a foreign country? If "Yes," state the country.				Yes		No
For I	Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see page 24 of the instructions.	Cat.	No. 17133K	Form	1023	(Rev. 6-	2006)

☐ No

✓ No

Part II	Organizational	Structure
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You must be a corporation (including a limited liability company), an unincorporated association, or a trust to be tax exempt. (See instructions.) **DO NOT file this form unless you can check "Yes" on lines 1, 2, 3, or 4.**

- 1 Are you a **corporation**? If "Yes," attach a copy of your articles of incorporation showing **certification** of filing with the appropriate state agency. Include copies of any amendments to your articles and be sure they also show state filing certification.
 - ☐ Yes ✓ No
- 2 Are you a **limited liability company (LLC)**? If "Yes," attach a copy of your articles of organization showing certification of filing with the appropriate state agency. Also, if you adopted an operating agreement, attach a copy. Include copies of any amendments to your articles and be sure they show state filing certification. Refer to the instructions for circumstances when an LLC should not file its own exemption application.
- **3** Are you an **unincorporated association**? If "Yes," attach a copy of your articles of association, constitution, or other similar organizing document that is dated and includes at least two signatures. Include signed and dated copies of any amendments.
 - ☐ Yes 🗹 No
- 4a Are you a **trust**? If "Yes," attach a signed and dated copy of your trust agreement. Include signed and dated copies of any amendments.
- ☐ Yes ✓ No
- **b** Have you been funded? If "No," explain how you are formed without anything of value placed in trust.
- ☐ Yes ☑ No
- Have you adopted **bylaws**? If "Yes," attach a current copy showing date of adoption. If "No," explain how your officers, directors, or trustees are selected.

Required Provisions in Your Organizing Document

The following questions are designed to ensure that when you file this application, your organizing document contains the required provisions to meet the organizational test under section 501(c)(3). Unless you can check the boxes in both lines 1 and 2, your organizing document does not meet the organizational test. **DO NOT file this application until you have amended your organizing document.** Submit your original and amended organizing documents (showing state filing certification if you are a corporation or an LLC) with your application.

- Section 501(c)(3) requires that your organizing document state your exempt purpose(s), such as charitable, religious, educational, and/or scientific purposes. Check the box to confirm that your organizing document meets this requirement. Describe specifically where your organizing document meets this requirement, such as a reference to a particular article or section in your organizing document. Refer to the instructions for exempt purpose language. Location of Purpose Clause (Page, Article, and Paragraph): Page 1, Article 4, Paragraph1-3

- 2a Section 501(c)(3) requires that upon dissolution of your organization, your remaining assets must be used exclusively for exempt purposes, such as charitable, religious, educational, and/or scientific purposes. Check the box on line 2a to confirm that your organizing document meets this requirement by express provision for the distribution of assets upon dissolution. If you rely on state law for your dissolution provision, do not check the box on line 2a and go to line 2c.
 - 2c.
- **2b** If you checked the box on line 2a, specify the location of your dissolution clause (Page, Article, and Paragraph). Do not complete line 2c if you checked box 2a. Page 2, Article 4, Paragraph 5
- **2c** See the instructions for information about the operation of state law in your particular state. Check this box if you rely on operation of state law for your dissolution provision and indicate the state:

Part IV Narrative Description of Your Activities

Using an attachment, describe your *past, present,* and *planned* activities in a narrative. If you believe that you have already provided some of this information in response to other parts of this application, you may summarize that information here and refer to the specific parts of the application for supporting details. You may also attach representative copies of newsletters, brochures, or similar documents for supporting details to this narrative. Remember that if this application is approved, it will be open for public inspection. Therefore, your narrative description of activities should be thorough and accurate. Refer to the instructions for information that must be included in your description.

Part V Compensation and Other Financial Arrangements With Your Officers, Directors, Trustees, Employees, and Independent Contractors

1a List the names, titles, and mailing addresses of all of your officers, directors, and trustees. For each person listed, state their total annual **compensation**, or proposed compensation, for all services to the organization, whether as an officer, employee, or other position. Use actual figures, if available. Enter "none" if no compensation is or will be paid. If additional space is needed, attach a separate sheet. Refer to the instructions for information on what to include as compensation.

Name	Title	Mailing address	Compensation amount (annual actual or estimated)
Eamon Aloyo	Director		
Joel Dodge	Director		
Nanette Francia-Cotter	Director		
Eroyn Franklin	Director		
John Tarleton	Director		

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Par		Other Financial Arrangements dependent Contractors (Continue)	s With Your Officers, Directors, ued)	Trustees,		
b	receive compensation of more	than \$50,000 per year. Use the ac	highest compensated employees we be tual figure, if available. Refer to the officers, directors, or trustees listed	instructions for		
Name	•	Title	Mailing address	Compensation (annual actual		
non	e					
С	that receive or will receive con		your five highest compensated inder per year. Use the actual figure, if ava			
Name)	Title	Mailing address	Compensation (annual actual		
non	e					
			tionships, transactions, or agreements ved independent contractors listed in line			
		ors, or trustees related to each other		☐ Yes	/	No
	Do you have a business relatithrough their position as an o	onship with any of your officers, dir	ectors, or trustees other than identify the individuals and describe	☐ Yes	~	No
С	highest compensated indeper	tors, or trustees related to your hig ident contractors listed on lines 1b y the individuals and explain the rel	or 1c through family or business	☐ Yes		No
3а			ed employees, and highest 1c, attach a list showing their name,			
b	compensated independent co other organizations, whether t	ors, trustees, highest compensated ntractors listed on lines 1a, 1b, or ax exempt or taxable, that are relatindividuals, explain the relationship compensation arrangement.	1c receive compensation from any ted to you through common	☐ Yes		No
4		ion for your officers, directors, trus ensated independent contractors li				

a Do you or will the individuals that approve compensation arrangements follow a conflict of interest policy? **b** Do you or will you approve compensation arrangements in advance of paying compensation?

c Do you or will you document in writing the date and terms of approved compensation arrangements?

following practices are recommended, although they are not required to obtain exemption. Answer "Yes" to all the practices you use.

Yes	Ν
Yes	N

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Par	Compensation and Other Financial Arrangements With Your Officers, Directors, Employees, and Independent Contractors (Continued)	Trus	tees,		
d	Do you or will you record in writing the decision made by each individual who decided or voted on compensation arrangements?	✓	Yes		No
е	Do you or will you approve compensation arrangements based on information about compensation paid by similarly situated taxable or tax-exempt organizations for similar services, current compensation surveys compiled by independent firms, or actual written offers from similarly situated organizations? Refer to the instructions for Part V, lines 1a, 1b, and 1c, for information on what to include as compensation.		Yes		No
f	Do you or will you record in writing both the information on which you relied to base your decision and its source?		Yes		No
g	If you answered "No" to any item on lines 4a through 4f, describe how you set compensation that is reasonable for your officers, directors, trustees, highest compensated employees, and highest compensated independent contractors listed in Part V, lines 1a, 1b, and 1c.				
5a	Have you adopted a conflict of interest policy consistent with the sample conflict of interest policy in Appendix A to the instructions? If "Yes," provide a copy of the policy and explain how the policy has been adopted, such as by resolution of your governing board. If "No," answer lines 5b and 5c.		Yes		No
b	What procedures will you follow to assure that persons who have a conflict of interest will not have influence over you for setting their own compensation?				
С	What procedures will you follow to assure that persons who have a conflict of interest will not have influence over you regarding business deals with themselves?				
	Note: A conflict of interest policy is recommended though it is not required to obtain exemption. Hospitals, see Schedule C, Section I, line 14.				
6a	Do you or will you compensate any of your officers, directors, trustees, highest compensated employees, and highest compensated independent contractors listed in lines 1a, 1b, or 1c through non-fixed payments , such as discretionary bonuses or revenue-based payments? If "Yes," describe all non-fixed compensation arrangements, including how the amounts are determined, who is eligible for such arrangements, whether you place a limitation on total compensation, and how you determine or will determine that you pay no more than reasonable compensation for services. Refer to the instructions for Part V, lines 1a, 1b, and 1c, for information on what to include as compensation.		Yes		No
b	Do you or will you compensate any of your employees, other than your officers, directors, trustees, or your five highest compensated employees who receive or will receive compensation of more than \$50,000 per year, through non-fixed payments, such as discretionary bonuses or revenue-based payments? If "Yes," describe all non-fixed compensation arrangements, including how the amounts are or will be determined, who is or will be eligible for such arrangements, whether you place or will place a limitation on total compensation, and how you determine or will determine that you pay no more than reasonable compensation for services. Refer to the instructions for Part V, lines 1a, 1b, and 1c, for information on what to include as compensation.		Yes		No
7a	Do you or will you purchase any goods, services, or assets from any of your officers, directors, trustees, highest compensated employees, or highest compensated independent contractors listed in lines 1a, 1b, or 1c? If "Yes," describe any such purchase that you made or intend to make, from whom you make or will make such purchases, how the terms are or will be negotiated at arm's length, and explain how you determine or will determine that you pay no more than fair market value. Attach copies of any written contracts or other agreements relating to such purchases.		Yes		No
b	Do you or will you sell any goods, services, or assets to any of your officers, directors, trustees, highest compensated employees, or highest compensated independent contractors listed in lines 1a, 1b, or 1c? If "Yes," describe any such sales that you made or intend to make, to whom you make or will make such sales, how the terms are or will be negotiated at arm's length, and explain how you determine or will determine you are or will be paid at least fair market value. Attach copies of any written contracts or other agreements relating to such sales.		Yes		No
8a	Do you or will you have any leases, contracts, loans, or other agreements with your officers, directors, trustees, highest compensated employees, or highest compensated independent contractors listed in lines 1a, 1b, or 1c? If "Yes," provide the information requested in lines 8b through 8f.		Yes		No
	Describe any written or oral arrangements that you made or intend to make. Identify with whom you have or will have such arrangements.				
	Explain how the terms are or will be negotiated at arm's length.				
	Explain how you determine you pay no more than fair market value or you are paid at least fair market value.				
	Attach copies of any signed leases, contracts, loans, or other agreements relating to such arrangements.				
9a	Do you or will you have any leases, contracts, loans, or other agreements with any organization in which any of your officers, directors, or trustees are also officers, directors, or trustees, or in which any individual officer, director, or trustee owns more than a 35% interest? If "Yes," provide the information requested in lines 2b through 2f		Yes		No

Part V Compensation and Other Financial Arrangements With Your Officers, Directors, Trustees, Employees, and Independent Contractors (Continued)

- **b** Describe any written or oral arrangements you made or intend to make.
- c Identify with whom you have or will have such arrangements.
- **d** Explain how the terms are or will be negotiated at arm's length.
- e Explain how you determine or will determine you pay no more than fair market value or that you are paid at least fair market value.
- f Attach a copy of any signed leases, contracts, loans, or other agreements relating to such arrangements.

Pai	rt VI Your Members and Other Individuals and Organizations That Receive Benefits F	rom	You		
The of yo	following "Yes" or "No" questions relate to goods, services, and funds you provide to individuals and o our activities. Your answers should pertain to past, present, and planned activities. (See instructions.)	rgani	zations	as pa	art
1a	In carrying out your exempt purposes, do you provide goods, services, or funds to individuals? If "Yes," describe each program that provides goods, services, or funds to individuals.		Yes		No
b	In carrying out your exempt purposes, do you provide goods, services, or funds to organizations? If "Yes," describe each program that provides goods, services, or funds to organizations.	/	Yes		No
2	Do any of your programs limit the provision of goods, services, or funds to a specific individual or group of specific individuals? For example, answer "Yes," if goods, services, or funds are provided only for a particular individual, your members, individuals who work for a particular employer, or graduates of a particular school. If "Yes," explain the limitation and how recipients are selected for each program.		Yes		No
3	Do any individuals who receive goods, services, or funds through your programs have a family or business relationship with any officer, director, trustee, or with any of your highest compensated employees or highest compensated independent contractors listed in Part V, lines 1a, 1b, and 1c? If "Yes," explain how these related individuals are eligible for goods, services, or funds.		Yes		No
	rt VII Your History				
The	following "Yes" or "No" questions relate to your history. (See instructions.)				
1	Are you a successor to another organization? Answer "Yes," if you have taken or will take over the activities of another organization; you took over 25% or more of the fair market value of the net assets of another organization; or you were established upon the conversion of an organization from for-profit to non-profit status. If "Yes," complete Schedule G.		Yes		No
2	Are you submitting this application more than 27 months after the end of the month in which you were legally formed? If "Yes," complete Schedule E.		Yes	✓	No
	rt VIII Your Specific Activities				
	following "Yes" or "No" questions relate to specific activities that you may conduct. Check the appropries should pertain to past, present, and planned activities. (See instructions.)	iate b	ox. Yo	ur	
1	Do you support or oppose candidates in political campaigns in any way? If "Yes," explain.		Yes		No
2a	Do you attempt to influence legislation ? If "Yes," explain how you attempt to influence legislation and complete line 2b. If "No," go to line 3a.		Yes		No
b	Have you made or are you making an election to have your legislative activities measured by expenditures by filing Form 5768? If "Yes," attach a copy of the Form 5768 that was already filed or attach a completed Form 5768 that you are filing with this application. If "No," describe whether your attempts to influence legislation are a substantial part of your activities. Include the time and money spent on your attempts to influence legislation as compared to your total activities.		Yes		No
3a	Do you or will you operate bingo or gaming activities? If "Yes," describe who conducts them, and list all revenue received or expected to be received and expenses paid or expected to be paid in operating these activities. Revenue and expenses should be provided for the time periods specified in Part IX, Financial Data.		Yes		No
b	Do you or will you enter into contracts or other agreements with individuals or organizations to conduct bingo or gaming for you? If "Yes," describe any written or oral arrangements that you made or intend to make, identify with whom you have or will have such arrangements, explain how the terms are or will be negotiated at arm's length, and explain how you determine or will determine you		Yes		No
	pay no more than fair market value or you will be paid at least fair market value. Attach copies or any written contracts or other agreements relating to such arrangements.				

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	Your Specific Activities (Continued)		
4a	Do you or will you undertake fundraising ? If "Yes," check all the fundraising programs you do or w conduct. (See instructions.)	vill Ves	□ No
	 ✓ mail solicitations ✓ email solicitations ✓ email solicitations ✓ personal solicitations ✓ receive donations from another organization 	on's website	
	 □ vehicle, boat, plane, or similar donations ☑ foundation grant solicitations ☑ Other 	ni 3 Website	
	Attach a description of each fundraising program.		
b	Do you or will you have written or oral contracts with any individuals or organizations to raise funds for you? If "Yes," describe these activities. Include all revenue and expenses from these activities and state who conducts them. Revenue and expenses should be provided for the time periods specified in Part IX, Financial Data. Also, attach a copy of any contracts or agreements.	s	∠ No
С	Do you or will you engage in fundraising activities for other organizations? If "Yes," describe these arrangements. Include a description of the organizations for which you raise funds and attach copie of all contracts or agreements.	☐ Yes	∠ No
d	List all states and local jurisdictions in which you conduct fundraising. For each state or local jurisdiction listed, specify whether you fundraise for your own organization, you fundraise for another organization, or another organization fundraises for you.	er	
е	Do you or will you maintain separate accounts for any contributor under which the contributor has the right to advise on the use or distribution of funds? Answer "Yes" if the donor may provide advice on the types of investments, distributions from the types of investments, or the distribution from the donor's contribution account. If "Yes," describe this program, including the type of advice that may be provided and submit copies of any written materials provided to donors.	е	∠ No
5	Are you affiliated with a governmental unit? If "Yes," explain.	☐ Yes	✓ No
	Do you or will you engage in economic development ? If "Yes," describe your program. Describe in full who benefits from your economic development activities and how the activities promote exempt purposes.	☐ Yes	∠ No
7a	Do or will persons other than your employees or volunteers develop your facilities? If "Yes," descrieach facility, the role of the developer, and any business or family relationship(s) between the developer and your officers, directors, or trustees.	be 🗌 Yes	∠ No
b	Do or will persons other than your employees or volunteers manage your activities or facilities? If "Yes," describe each activity and facility, the role of the manager, and any business or family relationship(s) between the manager and your officers, directors, or trustees.	☐ Yes	∠ No
С	If there is a business or family relationship between any manager or developer and your officers, directors, or trustees, identify the individuals, explain the relationship, describe how contracts are negotiated at arm's length so that you pay no more than fair market value, and submit a copy of a contracts or other agreements.	ny	
8	Do you or will you enter into joint ventures , including partnerships or limited liability companies treated as partnerships, in which you share profits and losses with partners other than section 501(c)(3) organizations? If "Yes," describe the activities of these joint ventures in which you participate.	☐ Yes	∠ No
9a	Are you applying for exemption as a childcare organization under section 501(k)? If "Yes," answer lines 9b through 9d. If "No," go to line 10.	☐ Yes	✓ No
b	Do you provide child care so that parents or caretakers of children you care for can be gainfully employed (see instructions)? If "No," explain how you qualify as a childcare organization described in section 501(k).	☐ Yes	□ No
С	Of the children for whom you provide child care, are 85% or more of them cared for by you to enable their parents or caretakers to be gainfully employed (see instructions)? If "No," explain how you qualify as a childcare organization described in section 501(k).	☐ Yes	□ No
d	Are your services available to the general public? If "No," describe the specific group of people for whom your activities are available. Also, see the instructions and explain how you qualify as a childcare organization described in section 501(k).	☐ Yes	□ No
10	Do you or will you publish, own, or have rights in music, literature, tapes, artworks, choreography, scientific discoveries, or other intellectual property ? If "Yes," explain. Describe who owns or will own any copyrights, patents, or trademarks, whether fees are or will be charged, how the fees are determined, and how any items are or will be produced, distributed, and marketed.	☐ Yes	∠ No

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	t VIII Your Specific Activities (Continued)		1 1191 1
11	Do you or will you accept contributions of: real property; conservation easements; closely held securities; intellectual property such as patents, trademarks, and copyrights; works of music or art; licenses; royalties; automobiles, boats, planes, or other vehicles; or collectibles of any type? If "Yes," describe each type of contribution, any conditions imposed by the donor on the contribution, and any agreements with the donor regarding the contribution.	☐ Yes	☑ No
12a	Do you or will you operate in a foreign country or countries? If "Yes," answer lines 12b through 12d. If "No," go to line 13a.	☐ Yes	✓ No
	Name the foreign countries and regions within the countries in which you operate.		
	Describe your operations in each country and region in which you operate.		
	Describe how your operations in each country and region further your exempt purposes.		
13a	Do you or will you make grants, loans, or other distributions to organization(s)? If "Yes," answer lines 13b through 13g. If "No," go to line 14a.	☐ Yes	✓ No
b	Describe how your grants, loans, or other distributions to organizations further your exempt purposes.	_	_
С	Do you have written contracts with each of these organizations? If "Yes," attach a copy of each contract.		☐ No
d	Identify each recipient organization and any relationship between you and the recipient organization.		
е	Describe the records you keep with respect to the grants, loans, or other distributions you make.		
f	Describe your selection process, including whether you do any of the following:		
	 (i) Do you require an application form? If "Yes," attach a copy of the form. (ii) Do you require a grant proposal? If "Yes," describe whether the grant proposal specifies your responsibilities and those of the grantee, obligates the grantee to use the grant funds only for the purposes for which the grant was made, provides for periodic written reports concerning the use of grant funds, requires a final written report and an accounting of how grant funds were used, and acknowledges your authority to withhold and/or recover grant funds in case such funds are, or appear to be, misused. 	⊔ Yes □ Yes	⊔ No □ No
g	Describe your procedures for oversight of distributions that assure you the resources are used to further your exempt purposes, including whether you require periodic and final reports on the use of resources.		
14a	Do you or will you make grants, loans, or other distributions to foreign organizations? If "Yes," answer lines 14b through 14f. If "No," go to line 15.	☐ Yes	✓ No
b	Provide the name of each foreign organization, the country and regions within a country in which each foreign organization operates, and describe any relationship you have with each foreign organization.		
С	Does any foreign organization listed in line 14b accept contributions earmarked for a specific country or specific organization? If "Yes," list all earmarked organizations or countries.	☐ Yes	☐ No
d	Do your contributors know that you have ultimate authority to use contributions made to you at your discretion for purposes consistent with your exempt purposes? If "Yes," describe how you relay this information to contributors.	☐ Yes	□ No
е	Do you or will you make pre-grant inquiries about the recipient organization? If "Yes," describe these inquiries, including whether you inquire about the recipient's financial status, its tax-exempt status under the Internal Revenue Code, its ability to accomplish the purpose for which the resources are provided, and other relevant information.	☐ Yes	□ No
f	Do you or will you use any additional procedures to ensure that your distributions to foreign organizations are used in furtherance of your exempt purposes? If "Yes," describe these procedures, including site visits by your employees or compliance checks by impartial experts, to verify that grant funds are being used appropriately.	☐ Yes	□ No

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15	Do you have a close connection with any organizations? If "Yes," explain.	☐ Yes	✓ No
16	Are you applying for exemption as a cooperative hospital service organization under section 501(e)? If "Yes," explain.	☐ Yes	✓ No
17	Are you applying for exemption as a cooperative service organization of operating educational organizations under section 501(f)? If "Yes," explain.	☐ Yes	✓ No
18	Are you applying for exemption as a charitable risk pool under section 501(n)? If "Yes," explain.	☐ Yes	✓ No
19	Do you or will you operate a school ? If "Yes," complete Schedule B. Answer "Yes," whether you operate a school as your main function or as a secondary activity.	☐ Yes	✓ No
20	Is your main function to provide hospital or medical care? If "Yes," complete Schedule C.	☐ Yes	✓ No
21	Do you or will you provide low-income housing or housing for the elderly or handicapped ? If "Yes," complete Schedule F.	☐ Yes	✓ No
22	Do you or will you provide scholarships, fellowships, educational loans, or other educational grants to individuals, including grants for travel, study, or other similar purposes? If "Yes," complete Schedule H.	☐ Yes	∠ No
	Note: Private foundations may use Schedule H to request advance approval of individual grant procedures.		

Part IX Financial Data

For purposes of this schedule, years in existence refer to completed tax years. If in existence 4 or more years, complete the schedule for the most recent 4 tax years. If in existence more than 1 year but less than 4 years, complete the statements for each year in existence and provide projections of your likely revenues and expenses based on a reasonable and good faith estimate of your future finances for a total of 3 years of financial information. If in existence less than 1 year, provide projections of your likely revenues and expenses for the current year and the 2 following years, based on a reasonable and good faith estimate of your future finances for a total of 3 years of financial information. (See instructions.)

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		Time of voyanile or expense	A. Statement of Revenues and Exper		
		Type of revenue or expense	Current tax year 3 prior tax years of a From 12/07/06 (b) From 01/01/07 (c) From 12/31/06 To 12/31/07 To	10/01/00	(e) Provide Total for (a) through (d)
	1	Gifts, grants, and contributions received (do not include unusual grants)			
	2	Membership fees received			
	3	Gross investment income			
	4	Net unrelated business income			
	5	Taxes levied for your benefit			
Revenues	6	Value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit without charge (not including the value of services generally furnished to the public without charge)			
Re	7	Any revenue not otherwise listed above or in lines 9–12 below (attach an itemized list)			
	8	Total of lines 1 through 7			
	9	Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or furnishing of facilities in any activity that is related to your exempt purposes (attach itemized list)			
1	0	Total of lines 8 and 9			
1	11	Net gain or loss on sale of capital assets (attach schedule and see instructions)			
1	2	Unusual grants			
	3	Total Revenue Add lines 10 through 12			
1	4	Fundraising expenses			
1	15	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts paid out (attach an itemized list)			
1	16	Disbursements to or for the benefit of members (attach an itemized list)			
Expenses 1	17	Compensation of officers, directors, and trustees			
<u>ا</u> و	8	Other salaries and wages			
	9	Interest expense			
		Occupancy (rent, utilities, etc.)			
	21	Depreciation and depletion			
	22	Professional fees			
2	23	Any expense not otherwise classified, such as program services (attach itemized list)			
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Pai	rt IX Financial Data (Continued)			
	B. Balance Sheet (for your most recently completed tax year)	Ye	ar End: D	ec 06
	Assets	(Whole do	ollars)
1	Cash			
2	Accounts receivable, net	_		
3	Inventories	\perp		
4	Bonds and notes receivable (attach an itemized list)	_		
5	Corporate stocks (attach an itemized list)	\perp		
6	Loans receivable (attach an itemized list)	+		
7	Other investments (attach an itemized list)	+		
8	Depreciable and depletable assets (attach an itemized list)	\perp		
9	Land			
10	Other assets (attach an itemized list)			
11	Total Assets (add lines 1 through 10)			
	Liabilities	\perp		
12	Accounts payable			
13	Contributions, gifts, grants, etc. payable	_		
14	Mortgages and notes payable (attach an itemized list)	_		
15	Other liabilities (attach an itemized list)	_		
16	Total Liabilities (add lines 12 through 15)	+		
	Fund Balances or Net Assets			
17 18	Total fund balances or net assets	_		
			. г	-
19	Have there been any substantial changes in your assets or liabilities since the end of the period shown above? If "Yes," explain.	_ Y	res l	✓ No
Par	t X Public Charity Status			
	X is designed to classify you as an organization that is either a private foundation or a public charity . Private foundation or a public charity.	ublic	charity	etatue
	more favorable tax status than private foundation status. If you are a private foundation, Part X is designed			Status
dete	rmine whether you are a private operating foundation. (See instructions.)			
1a	Are you a private foundation? If "Yes," go to line 1b. If "No," go to line 5 and proceed as instructed. If you are unsure, see the instructions.	_ Y	es [✓ No
b	As a private foundation, section 508(e) requires special provisions in your organizing document in addition to those that apply to all organizations described in section 501(c)(3). Check the box to confirm that your organizing document meets this requirement, whether by express provision or by reliance on operation of state law. Attach a statement that describes specifically where your organizing document meets this requirement, such as a reference to a particular article or section in your organizing document or by operation of state law. See the instructions, including Appendix B, for information about the special provisions that need to be contained in your organizing document. Go to line 2.		[
2	Are you a private operating foundation? To be a private operating foundation you must engage directly in the active conduct of charitable, religious, educational, and similar activities, as opposed to indirectly carrying out these activities by providing grants to individuals or other organizations. If "Yes," go to line 3. If "No," go to the signature section of Part XI.	_ Y	es [□ No
3	Have you existed for one or more years? If "Yes," attach financial information showing that you are a private operating foundation; go to the signature section of Part XI. If "No," continue to line 4.	_ \	es [☐ No
4	Have you attached either (1) an affidavit or opinion of counsel, (including a written affidavit or opinion from a certified public accountant or accounting firm with expertise regarding this tax law matter), that sets forth facts concerning your operations and support to demonstrate that you are likely to satisfy the requirements to be classified as a private operating foundation; or (2) a statement describing your proposed operations as a private operating foundation?	□ Y	es [□ No
5	If you answered "No" to line 1a, indicate the type of public charity status you are requesting by checking one of You may check only one box.	of the	e choices	below
	The organization is not a private foundation because it is:			
а	509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(i)—a church or a convention or association of churches. Complete and attach Sche	dule	A. [
b	509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)—a school . Complete and attach Schedule B.		[
С	509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)—a hospital , a cooperative hospital service organization, or a medical research	ch	[
	organization operated in conjunction with a hospital. Complete and attach Schedule C.			
d	509(a)(3)—an organization supporting either one or more organizations described in line 5a through c, f, g or a publicly supported section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organization. Complete and attach Schedule D.	g, or	h [

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Part XI	User Fee Information
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You must include a user fee payment with this application. It will not be processed without your paid user fee. If your average annual gross receipts have exceeded or will exceed \$10,000 annually over a 4-year period, you must submit payment of \$750. If your gross receipts have not exceeded or will not exceed \$10,000 annually over a 4-year period, the required user fee payment is \$300. See instructions for Part XI, for a definition of gross receipts over a 4-year period. Your check or money order must be

mad	e pavabl	e to the United States Treasury. <i>User fees are</i>	e subject to change. Check our website at www.ii	rs.aov and tv	pe "User
		•	es at 1-877-829-5500 for current information.		,
1	If "Yes,"		xpected to average not more than \$10,000? payment of \$300 (Subject to change—see above). payment of \$750 (Subject to change—see above).	☐ Yes	∠ No
2	Check th	ne box if you have enclosed the reduced user fe	ee payment of \$300 (Subject to change).		
3	Check th	ne box if you have enclosed the user fee payme	ent of \$750 (Subject to change).		
applic	cation, incl	the penalties of perjury that I am authorized to sign th uding the accompanying schedules and attachments,	is application on behalf of the above organization and that and to the best of my knowledge it is true, correct, and cor	I have examine nplete.	d this
Plea Sigr			Jessica Partnow	January 2	5, 2007
Her		(Signature of Officer, Director, Trustee, or other	(Type or print name of signer)	(Date)	
		authorized official)	Co-Founder		
			(Type or print title or authority of signer)		
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Reminder: Send the completed Form 1023 Checklist with your filled-in-application.

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	Schedule A. Churches				
1a	Do you have a written creed, statement of faith, or summary of beliefs? If "Yes," attach copies of relevant documents.	□ Y	es es		No
b	Do you have a form of worship? If "Yes," describe your form of worship.	□ Y	es/		No
2a	Do you have a formal code of doctrine and discipline? If "Yes," describe your code of doctrine and discipline.	□ Y	es es		No
b	Do you have a distinct religious history? If "Yes," describe your religious history.	□ Y	es (No
С	Do you have a literature of your own? If "Yes," describe your literature.	□ Y	es		No
3	Describe the organization's religious hierarchy or ecclesiastical government.				
4a	Do you have regularly scheduled religious services? If "Yes," describe the nature of the services and provide representative copies of relevant literature such as church bulletins.	□ Y	es/		No
b	What is the average attendance at your regularly scheduled religious services?				
5a	Do you have an established place of worship? If "Yes," refer to the instructions for the information required.	□ Y	es/		No
b	Do you own the property where you have an established place of worship?	□ Y	es/		No
6	Do you have an established congregation or other regular membership group? If "No," refer to the instructions.	□ Y	⁄es		No
7	How many members do you have?				
	Do you have a process by which an individual becomes a member? If "Yes," describe the process and complete lines 8b–8d, below.	Y	es		No
b	If you have members, do your members have voting rights, rights to participate in religious functions, or other rights? If "Yes," describe the rights your members have.	□ Y	es es		No
С	May your members be associated with another denomination or church?	□ Y	es		No
d	Are all of your members part of the same family?	□ Y	es_		No
9	Do you conduct baptisms, weddings, funerals, etc.?	□ Y	es		No
10	Do you have a school for the religious instruction of the young?		es		10
l1a	Do you have a minister or religious leader? If "Yes," describe this person's role and explain whether the minister or religious leader was ordained, commissioned, or licensed after a prescribed course of study.	□ Y	es	<u> </u>	No
b	Do you have schools for the preparation of your ordained ministers or religious leaders?	☐ Y	es_		lo
12	Is your minister or religious leader also one of your officers, directors, or trustees?	Y	es/		No
13	Do you ordain, commission, or license ministers or religious leaders? If "Yes," describe the requirements for ordination, commission, or licensure.	☐ Y	es/		No
14	Are you part of a group of churches with similar beliefs and structures? If "Yes," explain. Include the name of the group of churches.	☐ Y	es_		No
15	Do you issue church charters? If "Yes," describe the requirements for issuing a charter.	□ Y	es/		No
16	Did you pay a fee for a church charter? If "Yes," attach a copy of the charter.	Y	es	<u> </u>	No
17	Do you have other information you believe should be considered regarding your status as a church? If "Yes." explain.	Y	es		No

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	Schedule B. Schools, Colleges, and Universities			
	If you operate a school as an activity, complete Schedule B			
Sec	ction I Operational Information			
1a	Do you normally have a regularly scheduled curriculum, a regular faculty of qualified teachers, a regularly enrolled student body, and facilities where your educational activities are regularly carried on? If "No," do not complete the remainder of Schedule B.	Yes		No
b	Is the primary function of your school the presentation of formal instruction? If "Yes," describe your school in terms of whether it is an elementary, secondary, college, technical, or other type of school. If "No," do not complete the remainder of Schedule B.	Yes		No
2a	Are you a public school because you are operated by a state or subdivision of a state? If "Yes," explain how you are operated by a state or subdivision of a state. Do not complete the remainder of Schedule B.	Yes		No
b	Are you a public school because you are operated wholly or predominantly from government funds or property? If "Yes," explain how you are operated wholly or predominantly from government funds or property. Submit a copy of your funding agreement regarding government funding. Do not complete the remainder of Schedule B.	Yes		No
3	In what public school district, county, and state are you located?			
4	Were you formed or substantially expanded at the time of public school desegregation in the above school district or county?	Yes		No
5	Has a state or federal administrative agency or judicial body ever determined that you are racially discriminatory? If "Yes," explain.	Yes		No
6	Has your right to receive financial aid or assistance from a governmental agency ever been revoked or suspended? If "Yes," explain.	Yes		No
7	Do you or will you contract with another organization to develop, build, market, or finance your facilities? If "Yes," explain how that entity is selected, explain how the terms of any contracts or other agreements are negotiated at arm's length, and explain how you determine that you will pay no more than fair market value for services.	Yes		No
	Note. Make sure your answer is consistent with the information provided in Part VIII, line 7a.			
8	Do you or will you manage your activities or facilities through your own employees or volunteers? If "No," attach a statement describing the activities that will be managed by others, the names of the persons or organizations that manage or will manage your activities or facilities, and how these managers were or will be selected. Also, submit copies of any contracts, proposed contracts, or other agreements regarding the provision of management services for your activities or facilities. Explain how the terms of any contracts or other agreements were or will be negotiated, and explain how you determine you will pay no more than fair market value for services. Note. Answer "Yes" if you manage or intend to manage your programs through your own employees or by using volunteers. Answer "No" if you engage or intend to engage a separate organization or independent contractor. Make sure your answer is consistent with the information provided in Part VIII, line 7b.	Yes		No
Sec	ction II Establishment of Racially Nondiscriminatory Policy			
	Information required by Revenue Procedure 75-50.			
1	Have you adopted a racially nondiscriminatory policy as to students in your organizing document, bylaws, or by resolution of your governing body? If "Yes," state where the policy can be found or supply a copy of the policy. If "No," you must adopt a nondiscriminatory policy as to students before submitting this application. See Publication 557.	Yes		No
2	Do your brochures, application forms, advertisements, and catalogues dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships contain a statement of your racially nondiscriminatory policy?	Yes		No
	If "Yes," attach a representative sample of each document. If "No," by checking the box to the right you agree that all future printed materials, including website content, will contain the required nondiscriminatory policy statement.		▶ □	
3	Have you published a notice of your nondiscriminatory policy in a newspaper of general circulation that serves all racial segments of the community? (See the instructions for specific requirements.) If "No," explain.	Yes		No
4	Does or will the organization (or any department or division within it) discriminate in any way on the basis of race with respect to admissions; use of facilities or exercise of student privileges; faculty or administrative staff; or scholarship or loan programs? If "Yes," for any of the above, explain fully.	Yes		No

Schedule B. Schools, Colleges, and Universities (Continued)

5	Complete the table below to show the racial composition for the current academic year and projected for the next
	academic year, of: (a) the student body, (b) the faculty, and (c) the administrative staff. Provide actual numbers rather than
	percentages for each racial category.

If you are not operational, submit an estimate based on the best information available (such as the racial composition of the community served).

Racial Category	(a) Student Body		(b) Fa	aculty	(c) Administrative Staff		
	Current Year Next Year		Current Year	Next Year	Current Year	Next Year	
Total							

6 In the table below, provide the number and amount of loans and scholarships awarded to students enrolled by racial categories.

Racial Category	Number of Loans		Amount of Loans		Number of Scholarships		Amount of Scholarships		
	Current Year	Next Year	Current Year	Next Year	Current Year	Next Year	Current Year	Next Year	
Total									

7a	Attach a list of your incorporators, founders, board members, and donors of land or buildings, whether individuals or organizations.		
b	Do any of these individuals or organizations have an objective to maintain segregated public or private school education? If "Yes," explain.	☐ Yes	□ No
8	Will you maintain records according to the non-discrimination provisions contained in Revenue Procedure 75-50? If "No," explain. (See instructions.)	☐ Yes	□ No

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-orm	1023 (Rev. 6-2006) Name: The Common Language Project EIN: Schedule C. Hospitals and Medical Research Organizations		Page 16
nclu	ck the box if you are a hospital . See the instructions for a definition of the term "hospital," which des an organization whose principal purpose or function is providing hospital or medical care . plete Section I below.		
he i	ck the box if you are a medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital. See instructions for a definition of the term "medical research organization," which refers to an inization whose principal purpose or function is medical research and which is directly engaged in the inuous active conduct of medical research in conjunction with a hospital. Complete Section II.		
Sec	ction I Hospitals		
1a	Are all the doctors in the community eligible for staff privileges? If "No," give the reasons why and explain how the medical staff is selected.	☐ Yes	☐ No
2a	Do you or will you provide medical services to all individuals in your community who can pay for themselves or have private health insurance? If "No," explain.	☐ Yes	☐ No
b	Do you or will you provide medical services to all individuals in your community who participate in Medicare? If "No," explain.	☐ Yes	☐ No
С	Do you or will you provide medical services to all individuals in your community who participate in Medicaid? If "No," explain.	☐ Yes	☐ No
3a	Do you or will you require persons covered by Medicare or Medicaid to pay a deposit before receiving services? If "Yes," explain.	☐ Yes	☐ No
b	Does the same deposit requirement, if any, apply to all other patients? If "No," explain.	☐ Yes	☐ No
4a	Do you or will you maintain a full-time emergency room? If "No," explain why you do not maintain a full-time emergency room. Also, describe any emergency services that you provide.	☐ Yes	☐ No
b	Do you have a policy on providing emergency services to persons without apparent means to pay? If "Yes," provide a copy of the policy.	☐ Yes	☐ No
С	Do you have any arrangements with police, fire, and voluntary ambulance services for the delivery or admission of emergency cases? If "Yes," describe the arrangements, including whether they are written or oral agreements. If written, submit copies of all such agreements.	☐ Yes	☐ No
5a	Do you provide for a portion of your services and facilities to be used for charity patients? If "Yes," answer 5b through 5e.	☐ Yes	☐ No
b	Explain your policy regarding charity cases, including how you distinguish between charity care and bad debts. Submit a copy of your written policy.		
С	Provide data on your past experience in admitting charity patients, including amounts you expend for treating charity care patients and types of services you provide to charity care patients.		
d	Describe any arrangements you have with federal, state, or local governments or government agencies for paying for the cost of treating charity care patients. Submit copies of any written agreements.		
е	Do you provide services on a sliding fee schedule depending on financial ability to pay? If "Yes," submit your sliding fee schedule.	☐ Yes	☐ No
6a	Do you or will you carry on a formal program of medical training or medical research? If "Yes," describe such programs, including the type of programs offered, the scope of such programs, and affiliations with other hospitals or medical care providers with which you carry on the medical training or research programs.	☐ Yes	□ No
b	Do you or will you carry on a formal program of community education? If "Yes," describe such programs, including the type of programs offered, the scope of such programs, and affiliation with other hospitals or medical care providers with which you offer community education programs.	☐ Yes	□ No
7	Do you or will you provide office space to physicians carrying on their own medical practices? If "Yes," describe the criteria for who may use the space, explain the means used to determine that you are paid at least fair market value, and submit representative lease agreements.	☐ Yes	□ No
8	Is your board of directors comprised of a majority of individuals who are representative of the community you serve? Include a list of each board member's name and business, financial, or professional relationship with the hospital. Also, identify each board member who is representative of the community and describe how that individual is a community representative.	☐ Yes	□ No
9	Do you participate in any joint ventures? If "Yes," state your ownership percentage in each joint venture, list your investment in each joint venture, describe the tax status of other participants in each joint venture (including whether they are section 501(c)(3) organizations), describe the activities of each joint venture, describe how you exercise control over the activities of each joint venture, and describe how each joint venture furthers your exempt purposes. Also, submit copies of all agreements. Note. Make sure your answer is consistent with the information provided in Part VIII, line 8.	☐ Yes	□ No

Attach a schedule of assets showing their fair market value and the portion of your assets directly

devoted to medical research.

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Ca		on 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations		
	ction I Identifying Information About th			
1	State the names, addresses, and EINs of the su sheet.	rpported organizations. If additional space is needed, at	tach a sepa	arate
	Name	Address	EII	V
			_	
			_	
2	Are all supported organizations listed in line 1 p go to Section II. If "No," go to line 3.	ublic charities under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? If "Yes,"	☐ Yes	□ No
3	Do the supported organizations have tax-exemp 501(c)(6)?	ot status under section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or	☐ Yes	☐ No
	If "Yes," for each 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organization information:	on supported, provide the following financial		
	 Part IX-A. Statement of Revenues and Expens Part X, lines 6b(ii)(a), 6b(ii)(b), and 7. 			
	section 509(a)(1) or (2).	n organization you support is a public charity under		
Sec	ction II Relationship with Supported Or	ganization(s)—Three Tests		
To b	Test 1: "Operated, supervised, or controlled by"	anization must meet one of three relationship tests: one or more publicly supported organizations, or with one or more publicly supported organizations, or ore publicly supported organizations.		
1	Information to establish the "operated, supervise	ed, or controlled by" relationship (Test 1)		
	Is a majority of your governing board or officers organization(s)? If "Yes," describe the process belected; go to Section III. If "No," continue to lin	by which your governing board is appointed and	☐ Yes	☐ No
2		t of individuals who also serve on the governing "describe the process by which your governing	☐ Yes	□ No
3			☐ Yes	□ No
4	Information to establish the alternative "operated	d in connection with" responsiveness test (Test 3)		
а		of the supported organization(s) elect or appoint one If "Yes," explain and provide documentation; go to	☐ Yes	☐ No
b		y of the supported organization(s) also serve as your ortant offices with respect to you? If "Yes," explain w. If "No," go to line 4c.	☐ Yes	☐ No
С	Do your officers, directors, or trustees maintain officers, directors, or trustees of the supported documentation.	a close and continuous working relationship with the organization(s)? If "Yes," explain and provide	☐ Yes	□ No
d		ant voice in your investment policies, in the making the use of your income or assets? If "Yes," explain	☐ Yes	□ No
е	Describe and provide copies of written commur organization(s) aware of your supporting activities	nications documenting how you made the supported es.		

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Soc	Schedule D. Section 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations (Continued) tion II Relationship with Supported Organization(s)—Three Tests (Continued)			
	Information to establish the "operated in connection with" integral part test (Test 3)			
3	Do you conduct activities that would otherwise be carried out by the supported organization(s)? If "Yes," explain and go to Section III. If "No," continue to line 6a.		Yes	☐ No
	Information to establish the alternative "operated in connection with" integral part test (Test 3) Do you distribute at least 85% of your annual net income to the supported organization(s)? If "Yes go to line 6b. (See instructions.)	,"	Yes	□ No
	If "No," state the percentage of your income that you distribute to each supported organization. Als explain how you ensure that the supported organization(s) are attentive to your operations.	0		
	How much do you contribute annually to each supported organization? Attach a schedule.			
С	What is the total annual revenue of each supported organization? If you need additional space, attach a list.			
d	Do you or the supported organization(s) earmark your funds for support of a particular program or activity? If "Yes," explain.		Yes	☐ No
7a	Does your organizing document specify the supported organization(s) by name? If "Yes," state the article and paragraph number and go to Section III. If "No," answer line 7b.		Yes	☐ No
b	Attach a statement describing whether there has been an historic and continuing relationship between you and the supported organization(s).			
Sec	tion III Organizational Test			
1a	If you met relationship Test 1 or Test 2 in Section II, your organizing document must specify the supported organization(s) by name, or by naming a similar purpose or charitable class of beneficiaries. If your organizing document complies with this requirement, answer "Yes." If your organizing document does not comply with this requirement, answer "No," and see the instructions		Yes	□ No
b	If you met relationship Test 3 in Section II, your organizing document must generally specify the supported organization(s) by name. If your organizing document complies with this requirement, answer "Yes," and go to Section IV. If your organizing document does not comply with this requirement, answer "No," and see the instructions.		Yes	□ No
Sec	tion IV Disqualified Person Test			
as d	do not qualify as a supporting organization if you are controlled directly or indirectly by one or mor lefined in section 4946) other than foundation managers or one or more organizations that you supagers who are also disqualified persons for another reason are disqualified persons with respect to y	port. Fo		
	Do any persons who are disqualified persons with respect to you, (except individuals who are disqualified persons only because they are foundation managers), appoint any of your foundation managers? If "Yes," (1) describe the process by which disqualified persons appoint any of your foundation managers, (2) provide the names of these disqualified persons and the foundation managers they appoint, and (3) explain how control is vested over your operations (including assets and activities) by persons other than disqualified persons.		Yes	□ No
	Do any persons who have a family or business relationship with any disqualified persons with respect to you, (except individuals who are disqualified persons only because they are foundation managers), appoint any of your foundation managers? If "Yes," (1) describe the process by which individuals with a family or business relationship with disqualified persons appoint any of your foundation managers, (2) provide the names of these disqualified persons, the individuals with a family or business relationship with disqualified persons, and the foundation managers appointed, and (3) explain how control is vested over your operations (including assets and activities) in individuals other than disqualified persons.		Yes	□ No
С	Do any persons who are disqualified persons, (except individuals who are disqualified persons only because they are foundation managers), have any influence regarding your operations, including yo assets or activities? If "Yes," (1) provide the names of these disqualified persons, (2) explain how influence is exerted over your operations (including assets and activities), and (3) explain how contributes over your operations (including assets and activities) by individuals other than disqualified persons.	ur	Yes	□ No

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Schedule E. Organizations Not Filing Form 1023 Within 27 Months of Formation

Schedule E is intended to determine whether you are eligible for tax exemption under section 501(c)(3) from the postmark date of your application or from your date of incorporation or formation, whichever is earlier. If you are not eligible for tax exemption under section 501(c)(3) from your date of incorporation or formation, Schedule E is also intended to determine whether you are eligible for tax exemption under section 501(c)(4) for the period between your date of incorporation or formation and the postmark date of your application.

posi	mark date of your application.		
1	Are you a church, association of churches, or integrated auxiliary of a church? If "Yes," complete Schedule A and stop here. Do not complete the remainder of Schedule E.	☐ Yes	□ No
2a	Are you a public charity with annual gross receipts that are normally \$5,000 or less? If "Yes," stop here. Answer "No" if you are a private foundation, regardless of your gross receipts.	☐ Yes	☐ No
b	If your gross receipts were normally more than \$5,000, are you filing this application within 90 days from the end of the tax year in which your gross receipts were normally more than \$5,000? If "Yes," stop here.	☐ Yes	□ No
3a	Were you included as a subordinate in a group exemption application or letter? If "No," go to line 4.	☐ Yes	☐ No
b	If you were included as a subordinate in a group exemption letter, are you filing this application within 27 months from the date you were notified by the organization holding the group exemption letter or the Internal Revenue Service that you cease to be covered by the group exemption letter? If "Yes," stop here.	☐ Yes	□ No
С	If you were included as a subordinate in a timely filed group exemption request that was denied, are you filing this application within 27 months from the postmark date of the Internal Revenue Service final adverse ruling letter? If "Yes," stop here.	☐ Yes	□ No
4	Were you created on or before October 9, 1969? If "Yes," stop here. Do not complete the remainder of this schedule.	☐ Yes	☐ No
5	If you answered "No" to lines 1 through 4, we cannot recognize you as tax exempt from your date of formation unless you qualify for an extension of time to apply for exemption. Do you wish to request an extension of time to apply to be recognized as exempt from the date you were formed? If "Yes," attach a statement explaining why you did not file this application within the 27-month period. Do not answer lines 6, 7, or 8. If "No," go to line 6a.	☐ Yes	□ No
6a	If you answered "No" to line 5, you can only be exempt under section 501(c)(3) from the postmark date of this application. Therefore, do you want us to treat this application as a request for tax exemption from the postmark date? If "Yes," you are eligible for an advance ruling. Complete Part X, line 6a. If "No," you will be treated as a private foundation.	☐ Yes	□ No
b	Note. Be sure your ruling eligibility agrees with your answer to Part X, line 6. Do you anticipate significant changes in your sources of support in the future? If "Yes," complete line 7 below.	☐ Yes	□ No

Schedule E. Organizations Not Filing Form 1023 Within 27 Months of Formation (Continued)

7 Complete this item only if you answered "Yes" to line 6b. Include projected revenue for the first two full years following the current tax year.

	Type of Revenue	Projected revenue	e for 2 years following	current tax year
		(a) From To	(b) From To	(c) Total
1	Gifts, grants, and contributions received (do not include unusual grants)			
2	Membership fees received			
3	Gross investment income			
4	Net unrelated business income			
5	Taxes levied for your benefit			
6	Value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit without charge (not including the value of services generally furnished to the public without charge)			
7	Any revenue not otherwise listed above or in lines 9–12 below (attach an itemized list)			
8	Total of lines 1 through 7			
9	Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold, or services performed, or furnishing of facilities in any activity that is related to your exempt purposes (attach itemized list)			
10	Total of lines 8 and 9			
11	Net gain or loss on sale of capital assets (attach an itemized list)			
12	Unusual grants			
13	Total revenue. Add lines 10 through 12			
	ording to your answers, you are only eligible for tax mark date of your application. However, you may			▶ □

8	According to your answers, you are only eligible for tax exemption under section 501(c)(3) from the
	postmark date of your application. However, you may be eligible for tax exemption under section
	501(c)(4) from your date of formation to the postmark date of the Form 1023. Tax exemption under
	section 501(c)(4) allows exemption from federal income tax, but generally not deductibility of
	contributions under Code section 170. Check the box at right if you want us to treat this as a
	request for exemption under 501(c)(4) from your date of formation to the postmark date.

Attach a completed Page 1 of Form 1024, Application for Recognition of Exemption Under Section 501(a), to this application.

	Schedule F. Homes for the Elderly or Handicapped and Low-Income Housin	ng	
Sec	ction I General Information About Your Housing		
1	Describe the type of housing you provide.		
2	Provide copies of any application forms you use for admission.		
3	Explain how the public is made aware of your facility.		
b c	Provide a description of each facility. What is the total number of residents each facility can accommodate? What is your current number of residents in each facility? Describe each facility in terms of whether residents rent or purchase housing from you.		
5	Attach a sample copy of your residency or homeownership contract or agreement.		
6	Do you participate in any joint ventures? If "Yes," state your ownership percentage in each joint venture, list your investment in each joint venture, describe the tax status of other participants in each joint venture (including whether they are section 501(c)(3) organizations), describe the activities of each joint venture, describe how you exercise control over the activities of each joint venture, and describe how each joint venture furthers your exempt purposes. Also, submit copies of all joint venture agreements.	☐ Yes	□ No
	Note. Make sure your answer is consistent with the information provided in Part VIII, line 8.		
7	Do you or will you contract with another organization to develop, build, market, or finance your housing? If "Yes," explain how that entity is selected, explain how the terms of any contract(s) are negotiated at arm's length, and explain how you determine you will pay no more than fair market value for services.	☐ Yes	□ No
	Note. Make sure your answer is consistent with the information provided in Part VIII, line 7a.		
8	Do you or will you manage your activities or facilities through your own employees or volunteers? If "No," attach a statement describing the activities that will be managed by others, the names of the persons or organizations that manage or will manage your activities or facilities, and how these managers were or will be selected. Also, submit copies of any contracts, proposed contracts, or other agreements regarding the provision of management services for your activities or facilities. Explain how the terms of any contracts or other agreements were or will be negotiated, and explain how you determine you will pay no more than fair market value for services. Note. Answer "Yes" if you do manage or intend to manage your programs through your own employees or by using volunteers. Answer "No" if you engage or intend to engage a separate organization or independent contractor. Make sure your answer is consistent with the information	☐ Yes	□ No
	provided in Part VIII, line 7b.		
9	Do you participate in any government housing programs? If "Yes," describe these programs.	☐ Yes	□ No
10a	Do you own the facility? If "No," describe any enforceable rights you possess to purchase the facility in the future; go to line 10c. If "Yes," answer line 10b.	☐ Yes	☐ No
b	How did you acquire the facility? For example, did you develop it yourself, purchase a project, etc. Attach all contracts, transfer agreements, or other documents connected with the acquisition of the facility.		
С	Do you lease the facility or the land on which it is located? If "Yes," describe the parties to the lease(s) and provide copies of all leases.	☐ Yes	□ No

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	Schedule F. Homes for the Elderly or Handicapped and Low-Income Housing (C	ontin	ued)	
Sec	ction II Homes for the Elderly or Handicapped			
1a	Do you provide housing for the elderly? If "Yes," describe who qualifies for your housing in terms of age, infirmity, or other criteria and explain how you select persons for your housing.		Yes	☐ No
b	Do you provide housing for the handicapped? If "Yes," describe who qualifies for your housing in terms of disability, income levels, or other criteria and explain how you select persons for your housing.		Yes	□ No
2a	Do you charge an entrance or founder's fee? If "Yes," describe what this charge covers, whether it is a one-time fee, how the fee is determined, whether it is payable in a lump sum or on an installment basis, whether it is refundable, and the circumstances, if any, under which it may be waived.		Yes	□ No
b	Do you charge periodic fees or maintenance charges? If "Yes," describe what these charges cover and how they are determined.		Yes	☐ No
С	Is your housing affordable to a significant segment of the elderly or handicapped persons in the community? Identify your community . Also, if "Yes," explain how you determine your housing is affordable.		Yes	□ No
3a	Do you have an established policy concerning residents who become unable to pay their regular charges? If "Yes," describe your established policy.		Yes	☐ No
b	Do you have any arrangements with government welfare agencies or others to absorb all or part of the cost of maintaining residents who become unable to pay their regular charges? If "Yes," describe these arrangements.		Yes	□ No
4	Do you have arrangements for the healthcare needs of your residents? If "Yes," describe these arrangements.		Yes	□ No
5	Are your facilities designed to meet the physical, emotional, recreational, social, religious, and/or other similar needs of the elderly or handicapped? If "Yes," describe these design features.		Yes	□ No
Sec	ction III Low-Income Housing			
1	Do you provide low-income housing? If "Yes," describe who qualifies for your housing in terms of income levels or other criteria, and describe how you select persons for your housing.		Yes	□ No
2	In addition to rent or mortgage payments, do residents pay periodic fees or maintenance charges? If "Yes," describe what these charges cover and how they are determined.		Yes	□ No
3a	Is your housing affordable to low income residents? If "Yes," describe how your housing is made affordable to low-income residents.		Yes	☐ No
	Note. Revenue Procedure 96-32, 1996-1 C.B. 717, provides guidelines for providing low-income housing that will be treated as charitable. (At least 75% of the units are occupied by low-income tenants or 40% are occupied by tenants earning not more than 120% of the very low-income levels for the area.)			
b	Do you impose any restrictions to make sure that your housing remains affordable to low-income residents? If "Yes," describe these restrictions.		Yes	□ No
4	Do you provide social services to residents? If "Yes" describe these services		Yes	□ No

equipment, provide a copy of the lease or rental agreement(s), and indicate how the lease or rental

value of the property or equipment was determined.

Name: The Common Language Project Schedule H. Organizations Providing Scholarships, Fellowships, Educational Loans, or Other Educational Grants to Individuals and Private Foundations Requesting Advance Approval of Individual Grant Procedures Names of individual recipients are not required to be listed in Schedule H. Public charities and private foundations complete lines 1a through 7 of this section. See the instructions to Part X if you are not sure whether you are a public charity or a private foundation. 1a Describe the types of educational grants you provide to individuals, such as scholarships, fellowships, loans, etc. b Describe the purpose and amount of your scholarships, fellowships, and other educational grants and loans that you c If you award educational loans, explain the terms of the loans (interest rate, length, forgiveness, etc.). **d** Specify how your program is publicized. e Provide copies of any solicitation or announcement materials. f Provide a sample copy of the application used. Do you maintain case histories showing recipients of your scholarships, fellowships, educational ☐ Yes ☐ No loans, or other educational grants, including names, addresses, purposes of awards, amount of each grant, manner of selection, and relationship (if any) to officers, trustees, or donors of funds to you? If "No," refer to the instructions. Describe the specific criteria you use to determine who is eligible for your program. (For example, eligibility selection criteria could consist of graduating high school students from a particular high school who will attend college, writers of scholarly works about American history, etc.) 4a Describe the specific criteria you use to select recipients. (For example, specific selection criteria could consist of prior academic performance, financial need, etc.) **b** Describe how you determine the number of grants that will be made annually. c Describe how you determine the amount of each of your grants. d Describe any requirement or condition that you impose on recipients to obtain, maintain, or qualify for renewal of a grant. (For example, specific requirements or conditions could consist of attendance at a four-year college, maintaining a certain grade point average, teaching in public school after graduation from college, etc.) Describe your procedures for supervising the scholarships, fellowships, educational loans, or other educational grants. Describe whether you obtain reports and grade transcripts from recipients, or you pay grants directly to a school under an arrangement whereby the school will apply the grant funds only for enrolled students who are in good standing. Also, describe your procedures for taking action if the terms of the award are violated. Who is on the selection committee for the awards made under your program, including names of current committee members, criteria for committee membership, and the method of replacing committee members? Are relatives of members of the selection committee, or of your officers, directors, or substantial ☐ Yes No contributors eligible for awards made under your program? If "Yes," what measures are taken to ensure unbiased selections? Note. If you are a private foundation, you are not permitted to provide educational grants to disqualified persons. Disqualified persons include your substantial contributors and foundation managers and certain family members of disqualified persons. Section II Private foundations complete lines 1a through 4f of this section. Public charities do not complete this section. ☐ Yes No N/A 1a If we determine that you are a private foundation, do you want this application to be considered as a request for advance approval of grant making procedures? **b** For which section(s) do you wish to be considered? 4945(g)(1)—Scholarship or fellowship grant to an individual for study at an educational institution 4945(g)(3)—Other grants, including loans, to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes, to enhance a particular skill of the grantee or to produce a specific product ☐ Yes ☐ No Do you represent that you will (1) arrange to receive and review grantee reports annually and upon completion of the purpose for which the grant was awarded, (2) investigate diversions of funds from their intended purposes, and (3) take all reasonable and appropriate steps to recover diverted funds, ensure other grant funds held by a grantee are used for their intended purposes, and withhold further payments to grantees until you obtain grantees' assurances that future diversions will not occur and that grantees will take extraordinary precautions to prevent future diversions from occurring?

☐ No

☐ Yes

Do you represent that you will maintain all records relating to individual grants, including

information obtained to evaluate grantees, identify whether a grantee is a disqualified person, establish the amount and purpose of each grant, and establish that you undertook the supervision and investigation of grants described in line 2?

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Schedule H. Organizations Providing Scholarships, Fellowships, Educational Loans, or Other Educational Grants to Individuals and Private Foundations Requesting Advance Approval of Individual Grant Procedures (Continued)

Sec	ction II	Private foundations complete lines 1a through 4f of this section. Put complete this section. (Continued)	olic	charit	ties c	lo no	i
4a	education	will you award scholarships, fellowships, and educational loans to attend an al institution based on the status of an individual being an <i>employee of a employer?</i> If "Yes," complete lines 4b through 4f.		Yes		No	
b	circumsta education 80-39, 19 requireme	omply with the seven conditions and either the percentage tests or facts and notices test for scholarships, fellowships, and educational loans to attend an all institution as set forth in Revenue Procedures 76-47, 1976-2 C.B. 670, and 80-2 C.B. 772, which apply to inducement, selection committee, eligibility nts, objective basis of selection, employment, course of study, and other? (See lines 4c, 4d, and 4e, regarding the percentage tests.)		Yes		No	
С		will you provide scholarships, fellowships, or educational loans to attend an al institution to employees of a particular employer?		Yes		No	□ N/A
	If "Yes," v	vill you award grants to 10% or fewer of the eligible applicants who were possidered by the selection committee in selecting recipients of grants in that ovided by Revenue Procedures 76-47 and 80-39?		Yes		No	
d		ovide scholarships, fellowships, or educational loans to attend an educational to children of employees of a particular employer?		Yes		No	□ N/A
	actually c	vill you award grants to 25% or fewer of the eligible applicants who were onsidered by the selection committee in selecting recipients of grants in that ovided by Revenue Procedures 76-47 and 80-39? If "No," go to line 4e.		Yes		No	
е	institution or fewer of (whether of	vide scholarships, fellowships, or educational loans to attend an educational to children of employees of a particular employer, will you award grants to 10% of the number of employees' children who can be shown to be eligible for grants or not they submitted an application) in that year, as provided by Revenue as 76-47 and 80-39?		Yes		No	□ N/A
	without su informatio	lescribe how you will determine who can be shown to be eligible for grants abmitting an application, such as by obtaining written statements or other n about the expectations of employees' children to attend an educational . If "No," go to line 4f.					
		tistical or sampling techniques are not acceptable. See Revenue Procedure 85-2 C.B. 717, for additional information.					
f	institution 25% limits award gra be consid significant circumsta nor a sign	vide scholarships, fellowships, or educational loans to attend an educational to <i>children of employees of a particular employer</i> without regard to either the ation described in line 4d, or the 10% limitation described in line 4e, will you nts based on facts and circumstances that demonstrate that the grants will not ered compensation for past, present, or future services or otherwise provide a benefit to the particular employer? If "Yes," describe the facts and not not have believe will demonstrate that the grants are neither compensatory ificant benefit to the particular employer. In your explanation, describe why you tisfy either the 25% test described in line 4d or the 10% test described in line 4e		Yes		No	

Form 1023 Checklist

(Revised June 2006)

Application for Recognition of Exemption under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code

Note. Retain a copy of the completed Form 1023 in your permanent records. Refer to the General Instructions regarding Public Inspection of approved applications.

Check each box to finish your application (Form 1023). Send this completed Checklist with your filled-in application. If you have not answered all the items below, your application may be returned to you as incomplete.

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Assemble the application and materials in this order:

- Form 1023 Checklist
- Form 2848, Power of Attorney and Declaration of Representative (if filing)
- Form 8821, Tax Information Authorization (if filing)
- Expedite request (if requesting)
- Application (Form 1023 and Schedules A through H, as required)
- Articles of organization
- Amendments to articles of organization in chronological order
- Bylaws or other rules of operation and amendments
- Documentation of nondiscriminatory policy for schools, as required by Schedule B
- Form 5768, Election/Revocation of Election by an Eligible Section 501(c)(3) Organization To Make Expenditures To Influence Legislation (if filing)
- All other attachments, including explanations, financial data, and printed materials or publications. Label each page with name and EIN.
- User fee payment placed in envelope on top of checklist. DO NOT STAPLE or otherwise attach your check or money order to your application. Instead, just place it in the envelope.
- ✓ Employer Identification Number (EIN)
- Completed Parts I through XI of the application, including any requested information and any required Schedules A through H.
 - You must provide specific details about your past, present, and planned activities.
 - Generalizations or failure to answer questions in the Form 1023 application will prevent us from recognizing you as tax exempt.
 - Describe your purposes and proposed activities in specific easily understood terms.
 - Financial information should correspond with proposed activities.
- Schedules. Submit only those schedules that apply to you and check either "Yes" or "No" below.

Schedule A	Yes No <u>*</u>	Schedule E	Yes No <a>
Schedule B	Yes No <u></u>	Schedule F	Yes No <u></u>
Schedule C	Yes No <u></u>	Schedule G	Yes No_
Schedule D	Yes No <u></u>	Schedule H	Yes No <u></u>

✓	An exact copy of your complete articles of organization (creating document). Absence of the proper purpose and dissolution clauses is the number one reason for delays in the issuance of determination letters.
	 Location of Purpose Clause from Part III, line 1 (Page, Article and Paragraph Number) Location of Dissolution Clause from Part III, line 2b or 2c (Page, Article and Paragraph Number) or by operation of state law

Signature of an officer, director, trustee, or other official who is authorized to sign the application.

• Signature at Part XI of Form 1023.

✓ Your name on the application must be the same as your legal name as it appears in your articles of organization.

Send completed Form 1023, user fee payment, and all other required information, to:

Internal Revenue Service P.O. Box 192 Covington, KY 41012-0192

If you are using express mail or a delivery service, send Form 1023, user fee payment, and attachments to:

Internal Revenue Service 201 West Rivercenter Blvd. Attn: Extracting Stop 312 Covington, KY 41011

The Common Language Project EIN

Attachments to Form 1023
Application for Recognition of Exemption
Under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code

Part II, Line 5

Members of the Board of Directors are appointed by the organization's founders.

Part IV: Narrative Description of Your Activities

The mission of the Common Language Project is to develop and implement innovative approaches to international journalism by focusing on positive, inclusive and humane reporting of stories ignored by the mainstream media. To fulfill our mission, staff and volunteers research, report, and produce stories focusing on social justice issues in multimedia format in our online magazine. Additionally, project staff provide training in media literacy to students at the secondary, college, and graduate school level. All of the organization's work is published to www.commonlanguageproject.net.

Part V, Line 3a

Name	Qualifications	Avg. Hours Worked	Duties
Eamon Aloyo	PhD Candidate, Political Science. Strong knowledge and analysis of history, politics, journalism, and social justice issues. Founder of Yes Ride. Experienced fundraiser.	0 (2006) 5 (2007)	Advise Management on planning, development, and decision making for the Common Language Project. Participate in annual Board Meetings.
Joel Dodge	PhD Candidate, Math. Strong knowledge and analysis of history, politics, journalism, and social justice issues. Experienced teacher.	0 (2006) 5 (2007)	Advise Management on planning, development, and decision making for the Common Language Project. Participate in

			annual Board Meetings.
Nanette Francia- Cotter	Deputy Director, NYCLU. Nonprofit management professional with years of experience working with international and underprivileged communities.	0 (2006) 5 (2007)	Advise Management on planning, development, and decision making for the Common Language Project. Participate in annual Board Meetings.
Eroyn Franklin	Visual artist, photographer, and video producer. Experienced in documentary production and fundraising for arts and humanities.	0 (2006) 5 (2007)	Advise Management on planning, development, and decision making for the Common Language Project. Participate in annual Board Meetings.
John Tarleton	Editor, The Indypendent. Experienced journalist, editor and nonprofit manager.	0 (2006) 5 (2007)	Advise Management on planning, development, and decision making for the Common Language Project. Participate in annual Board Meetings.

Part V, line 5a

See Articles of Incorporation, Article VI, Paragraph 4.

Part VI, Line 1b

The organization provides journalistic content, free of charge, to other nonprofit media outlets. The organization provides media literacy and journalism trainings to emerging journalists, students of journalism, and younger students at the secondary education level who participate in school-, university-, or community center-based programs.

Part VIII, Line 4a

Mail solicitations

The organization will mail an annual or semiannual solicitation of donations to previous and potential donors.

Email solicitations

The organization sends a monthly newsletter to a subscribed list, currently of approximately 450 recipients, which includes a request for donations.

Personal Solicitations

The organization's staff and board members reach out to personal contacts to solicit funding to support the organization.

Foundation Grant Solicitations

The organization will submit funding proposals for funding to cover project expenses to private foundations supporting journalism, education, and social justice.

Accept donations on your website

The organization will accept online donations via PayPal at www.commonlanguageproject.net.

Receive donations from another organization's website

The organization may participate in funding opportunities through www.omidyar.net or other organizations as the opportunity becomes available.

Government Grant Solicitations

The organization may apply for government grants as appropriate and applicable.

Other

The organization plans to host fundraising events, such as benefit concerts or fundraising dinners, to support program expenses.

Part VIII, Line 4d

All fundraising is for the sole benefit of our own organization. We conduct global fundraising through online donations accepted on our website and email campaigns. Fundraising events shall be conducted in Seattle, WA and/or New York, NY.

Part IX, Line 23

In 2006, the organization had in program expenses.

In 2007, the organization projects in program expenses.

In 2008, the organization projects in program expenses.



December 7, 2006

Congratulations:

Your online filing has been completed.

Company Name: THE COMMON LANGUAGE PROJECT

UBI Number:

Effective date: **12/7/2006**. Application ID: **724115**

You will receive a certificate and a copy of your filed documents via US Mail.

Thank you for using our online filing service!

Corporations Division 801 Capitol Way S. Olympia, WA 98504-0234

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF THE

Common Language Project

The undersigned, acting as an incorporator of a corporation under the provisions of the Washington Nonprofit Corporation Act (Chapter 24.03 of the Revised Code of Washington), hereby adopts and executes the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation.

Article I: Name

The name of the corporation shall be The Common Language Project (herein after referred to as the "Corporation").

Article II: Duration

The Corporation shall have perpetual existence.

Article III: Registered Office and Agent

The address of the initial registered office of the Corporation shall be Seattle, WA 98108. The name of the initial registered agent of the Corporation at such address shall be Jessica Partnow. The written consent of such person to serve as registered agent is attached hereto.

Article IV: Purposes

Section 1. <u>Purposes</u>. The purposes for which this Corporation, a non-profit organization, is formed are exclusively charitable, scientific, cultural or educational and consist of the following:

- A. Develop and implement innovative approaches to international reporting by focusing on positive, inclusive and humane reporting of stories ignored by the mainstream media.
- B. Develop and implement programs to foster media literacy, professional development for social justice journalists, and independent media production.
- C. To do any and all lawful activities which may be necessary, useful or desirable for the furtherance, accomplishment, fostering or attainment of the foregoing purposes, either directly or indirectly and either alone or in conjunction with others, whether such others be persons or organizations of any kind or nature, such as corporations, firms, associations, trusts, institutions, foundations, or governmental bureaus, departments, or agencies, provided, however, that the purposes for which the corporation is formed shall at all times be consistent with Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as it now exists or as hereafter amended (the "Code"), including within such purposes the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under 501(c)(3) of the Code.

Article V: Powers

In general, and subject to such limitations and conditions as are or may be prescribed by law, or in the Corporation's Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws, the Corporation shall have the powers which now or hereafter are conferred by law upon a corporation organized for the purposes set forth above, or are necessary or incidental to the powers so conferred, or are conducive to the attainment of the Corporation's purposes described in Article IV which are consistent with the Washington Nonprofit Corporation Act and Section 501(c)(3) of the Code.

Article VI: Limitations

- 1. All of the purposes and powers of the Corporation shall be exercised exclusively for charitable, scientific, cultural and educational purposes in such manner that the Corporation shall qualify as an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United State Internal Revenue law, and that contributions to the Corporation shall be deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the United States Internal Revenue law.
- 2. No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, except as otherwise permitted to an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United State Internal Revenue law. The Corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of (or in opposition to) any candidate for public office.
- 3. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the Articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal and state income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue law, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.
- 4. No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed, to its members, directors, officers, or other private persons, except that the Corporation is authorized or empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of its purposes.
- 5. Upon the winding up and dissolution of the Corporation, the assets of the Corporation remaining after payment of, or provision for payment of, all debts and liabilities of the Corporation, shall be distributed to an organization or organizations recognized as exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law, and used exclusively to accomplish the purposes for which this Corporation is organized.

Articles VII: No Members

This corporation shall have no members.

Article VIII: Directors

The number of directors constituting the initial Board of Directors of the Corporation shall be five (5) directors and their names and addresses are as follows:

Name
Eamon Aloyo
Joel Dodge
Nanette Francia-Cotter
Eroyn Franklin
John Tarleton



The powers and duties, number, qualifications, terms of office, manner of election, time and criteria for removal of directors shall be as set forth in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

Article IX: Amendments

This corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change, or repeat any provision contained in these Articles of Incorporation by the alternative vote of a majority of the directors present at a meeting of the Board of Directors.

Article X: Director Liability Limitations

A director shall have no liability to the Corporation for monetary damages for conduct as a director, except for acts or omissions that involve intentional misconduct by the director, or for any transaction from which the director will personally receive a benefit in money, property or services to which the director is not legally entitled. If the Washington Nonprofit Corporation Act is hereafter amended to authorize corporate action further eliminating or limiting the personal liability of directors, then the liability of a director shall be eliminated or limited to the full extent permitted by the Washington Nonprofit Corporation Act, as so amended. Any repeal or modification of this Article shall not adversely affect any right or protection of a director of this Corporation existing at the time of such repeal or modification for or with respect to an act or omission of such director occurring prior to such repeal or modification.

Directors of the Corporation shall not be personally liable to the Corporation of its members, if any, for monetary damages for conduct as a Director, except for acts or omissions that involved intentional misconduct by a Director or a knowing violation of law by a Director, where the director votes or assents to a distribution which is unlawful or violates the requirements of these articles of incorporation, or for any transaction from which the Director will personally receive a benefit in money, property, or services to which the Director is not legally entitled.

Article XI: Indemnification

Section 1. Right to Indemnification. Each person who was, or is threatened to be made a party to or is otherwise involved in any actual or threatened action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, by reason of the fact that he or she is or was a director or officer of the Corporation or, while a director or officer, he or she is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, trustee, officer, employee, or agent of another corporation or of a partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, including service with respect to employee benefit plans, whether the basis of such proceeding is alleged action in an official capacity as a director, trustee, officer, employee or agent, shall be indemnified and held harmless by the Corporation, to the full extent permitted by applicable law as then in effect, against all expense, liability and loss (including attorney's fees, judgments, fines, ERISA excise taxes or penalties and

amounts to be paid in settlement) actually and reasonably incurred or suffered by such person in connection therewith, and such indemnification shall continue as to a person who has ceased to be a director, trustee, officer, employee or agent and shall inure to the benefit of his or her heirs, executors and administrators; provided, however, that except as provided in Section 2 of this Article with respect to proceedings seeking solely to enforce rights to indemnification, the Corporation shall indemnify any such person seeking indemnification in connection with a proceeding (or part thereof) initiated by such person only if such proceeding (or part thereof) was authorized by the board of directors of the Corporation. The right to indemnification conferred in this Section 1 shall be a contract right and shall include the right to be paid by the Corporation the expenses incurred in defending any such proceeding in advance of its final disposition; provided, however, that the payment of such expenses in advance of the final disposition of a proceeding shall be made only upon delivery to the Corporation of an undertaking, by or on behalf of such director or officer, to repay all amounts so advanced if it shall ultimately be determined that such director or officer is not entitled to be indemnified under this Section 1 or otherwise.

Section 2. Right of Claimant to Bring Suit. If a claim for which indemnification is required under Section 1 of this Article is not paid in full by the Corporation within sixty (60) days after a written claim has been received by the Corporation, except in the case of a claim for expenses incurred in defending a proceeding in advance of its final disposition, in which case the applicable period shall be twenty (20) days, the claimant may at any time thereafter bring suit against the Corporation to recover the unpaid amount of the claim and, to the extent successful in whole or part, the claimant shall be entitled to be paid also the expense of prosecuting such claim. The claimant shall be presumed to be entitled to indemnification under this Article upon submission of a written claim (and, in action brought to enforce a claim for expenses incurred in defending any proceeding in advance of its final disposition, where the required undertaking has been tendered to the Corporation), and thereafter the Corporation shall have the burden of proof to overcome the presumption that the claimant is not so entitled. Neither the failure of the Corporation (including its board of directors, independent legal counsel or its members, if any) to have made a determination prior to the commencement of such action that indemnification of or reimbursement or advancement or expenses of the claimant is proper in the circumstances nor an actual determination by the Corporation (including its board of directors, independent legal counsel or its members, if any) that the claimant is not entitled to indemnification or to the reimbursement or advancement of expenses shall be a defense to the action or create a presumption that the claimant is not so entitled.

Section 3. <u>Nonexclusivity of Rights</u>. The right to indemnification and the payment of expenses incurred in defending a proceeding in advance of its final disposition conferred in this Article shall not be exclusive of any other right which any person may have or hereafter acquire under any statute, provision of the Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, agreement, vote of members, if any, or disinterested directors or otherwise.

Section 4. <u>Insurance, Contracts and Funding.</u> The Corporation may maintain insurance at its expense to protect itself and any director, trustee, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation or another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against any expense, liability or loss, whether or not the Corporation would have the power to indemnify such persons against such expense, liability or loss under the Washington Business Corporation Act, as applied to nonprofit corporations. The Corporation may, without further membership action, enter into contracts with any director or officer of the Corporation for furtherance of the provisions of this

Article and may create a trust fund, grant a security interest or use other means (including, without limitation, a letter of credit) to ensure the payment of such amounts as may be necessary to effect indemnification as provided in this Article.

Section 5. <u>Indemnification of Employees and Agents of the Corporation</u>. The Corporation may, by action of its Board of Directors from time to time, provide indemnification and pay expenses in advance of the final disposition of a proceeding to employees and agents of the Corporation with the same scope and effect as the provisions of this Article with respect to the indemnification and advancement of expenses or directors and officers of the Corporation or pursuant to, or provided by, the Washington Business Corporation Act, as applied to nonprofit corporations, or otherwise.

Article XII: Bylaws

Bylaws of the Corporation may be adopted by the Board of Directors at any regular meeting or any special meeting called for that purpose, so long as they are not inconsistent with the provisions of these Articles. The authority to make, alter, amend or repeal bylaw is vested in the board of directors and may be exercised at any regular or special meeting of the board of directors.

Article XIII: Incorporator

The name and address of the incorporator of the Corporation is as follows:

Name Address
Jessica Partnow Seattle, WA 98108

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have signed these Articles of Incorporation this 7th day of December, 2006.



Jessica Partnow, Incorporator

CONSENT TO APPOINTMENT OF REGISTERED AGENT

I, Jessica Partnow, hereby consent to serve as registered agent, in the State of Washington, for The Common Language Project. I understand that as agent of this corporation, it will be my responsibility to accept service of process in the name of the corporation; to forward all mail and license renewals to the appropriate officer of the corporation; and to immediately notify the Officer of the Secretary of State of my resignation or of any changes in the address of the registered office of the corporation for which I am agent.

Dated: December 7, 2006



Jessica Partnow, Registered Agent