

Form **990-EZ**

# Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code  
(except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

OMB No 1545-1150

## 2008

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds and controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990. All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$1,000,000 and total assets less than \$2,500,000 at the end of the year may use this form.  
The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

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### A For the 2008 calendar year, or tax year beginning , 2008, and ending ,

<b>B</b> Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Termination <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.	<b>C</b> Name of organization GRASSROOT INSTITUTE OF HAWAII, INC		<b>D</b> Employer identification number 99-0354937
		Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite 1314 S. KING ST 1163		<b>E</b> Telephone number (808) 591-9193
		City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 HONOLULU HI 96814		<b>F</b> Group Exemption Number

Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).

<b>G</b> Accounting method <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Accrual Other (specify)
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<b>I</b> Website: <u>www.grassrootinstitute.org</u> <b>J</b> Organization type (check only one) — <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c) ( 3 ) (insert no) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527
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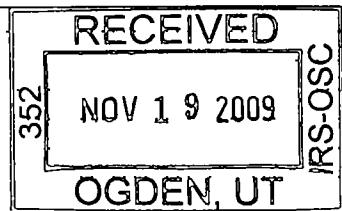
<b>H</b> Check <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)
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<b>K</b> Check <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization and its gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000. A return is not required, but if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return.
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<b>L</b> Add lines 5b, 6b, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts, if \$1,000,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ.	\$ 537,989.
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### Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (See the instructions for Part I.)

REVENUE	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	524,043.
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	9,446.
	3	Membership dues and assessments	3	
	4	Investment income	4	4,500.
	5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	
	5b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	
	5c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a) (att sch)	5c	
	6	Special events and activities (complete applicable parts of Schedule G) If any amount is from gaming, check here <input type="checkbox"/>		
	6a	Gross revenue (not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1)	6a	
6b	Less: direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	6b		
6c	Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (Subtract line 6b from line 6a)	6c		
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a		
7b	Less: cost of goods sold	7b		
7c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c		
8	Other revenue (describe )	8		
9	<b>Total revenue</b> (add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8)	9	537,989.	
EXPENSES	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule)	10	
	11	Benefits paid to or for members	11	
	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	208,790.
	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	26,825.
	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	21,228.
	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	27,282.
	16	Other expenses (describe See Other Expenses Statement)	16	83,459.
17	<b>Total expenses</b> (add lines 10 through 16)	17	367,584.	
ASSETS	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	170,405.
	19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	159,853.
	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)	20	
	21	<b>Net assets or fund balances at end of year</b> Combine lines 18 through 20	21	330,258.



### Part II Balance Sheets. If Total assets on line 25, column (B) are \$2,500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ

(See the instructions for Part II)

	(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	159,853.	22 326,634.
23 Land and buildings	0.	23 4,098.
24 Other assets (describe )	0.	24 0.
25 <b>Total assets</b>	159,853.	25 330,732.
26 <b>Total liabilities</b> (describe See L-26 Stmt )	0.	26 474.
27 <b>Net assets or fund balances</b> (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	159,853.	27 330,258.

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Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (See the instructions.)		Expenses	
What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? <u>STUDY OF GOVERNMENT POLICY</u>		(Required for 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) trusts, optional for others)	
Describe what was achieved in carrying out the organization's exempt purposes. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, or other relevant information for each program title			
28	AKAKA BILL EDUCATION. PUBLIC EDUCATION REGARDING THE MOVEMENT TO CREATE A SOVERIGN HAWAIIAN NATION AND OR OTHER GOVERNING ENTITY. INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS, STUDIES AND OTHER (Grants \$ 0.) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	28a	70,272.
29	MEETINGS. OVER A DOZEN BREAKFAST AND BRUNCH MEETINGS WITH SPEAKERS ON TOPICS RELATING TO GOVERNMENT POLICY AND PERFORMANCE. (Grants \$ 0.) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	29a	23,257.
30	TRANSPARENCY PROGRAM. MULTIFACETED EFFORTS TO SHED LIGHT ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND SPENDING. PRODUCED A LEGISLATIVE SCORECARD VARIOUS POLICY PUBLICATIONS AND OPEN RECORDS REQUESTS (Grants \$ 0.) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	30a	110,320.
31	Other program services (attach schedule) 0 (Grants \$ 0.) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	31a	53,635.
32	Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a) <input type="checkbox"/>	32	257,484.

Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees. (List each one even if not compensated. See the instrs.)				
(a) Name and address	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (if not paid, enter -0-.)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
RICHARD O ROWLAND 1314 S KING ST #1163 HONOLULU HI 96814	PRS EMERITIS 40.00	0.	0.	0.
JEFFREY CRAWFORD 1314 S KING ST #1163 HONOLULU HI 96814	CHAIRMAN 0.50	0.	0.	0.
JACK SCHNEIDER 1314 S KING ST #1163 HONOLULU HI 96814	DIRECTOR 0.50	0.	0.	0.
JOHN CORBOY 1314 S KING ST #1163 HONOLULU HI 96814	DIRECTOR 0.50	0.	0.	0.
DALE EVANS 1314 S KING ST #1163 HONOLULU HI 96814	DIRECTOR 0.50	0.	0.	0.
CLEFFORD SLATER 1314 S KING ST #1163 HONOLULU HI 96814	TREASURER 0.50	0.	0.	0.
PAUL SMITH 1314 S KINT ST #1163 HONOLULU HI 96814	DIRECTOR 0.50	0.	0.	0.
MALIA ZIMMERMAN 1314 S KING ST #1163 HONOLULU HI 96814	SECRETARY 0.50	0.	0.	0.
JAMIE STORY 1314 S KING ST #1163 HONOLULU HI 96814	PRESIDENT 40.00	79,484.	0.	0.

**Part V Other Information** (Note the statement requirement in General Instruction V.)

		Yes	No
33	Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If 'Yes,' attach a detailed description of each activity		X
34	Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents but not reported to the IRS? If 'Yes,' attach a conformed copy of the changes		X
35	If the organization had income from business activities, such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a (among others), but not reported on Form 990-T, attach a statement explaining your reason for not reporting the income on Form 990-T		
35a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more or 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements?		X
35b	If 'Yes,' has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?		
36	Was there a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or substantial contraction during the year? If 'Yes,' complete applicable parts of Schedule N		X
37a	Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions	0.	
37b	Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?		X
38a	Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still unpaid at the start of the period covered by this return?		X
38b	If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved		
39	501(c)(7) organizations Enter		
39a	a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9		
39b	b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities		
40a	501(c)(3) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911; section 4912; section 4955		
40b	501(c)(3) and (4) organizations Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or did it become aware of an excess benefit transaction from a prior year? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part I		X
40c	Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958		
40d	Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization		
40e	All organizations At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If 'Yes,' complete Form 8886-T		X
41	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed		

42a The books are in care of JAMIE STORY Telephone no (808) 591-9193  
 Located at 1314 S KING ST #1163 HONOLULU HI ZIP + 4 96814-1946

		Yes	No
42b	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country		X
42c	See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of a Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts. At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U S? If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country		X

43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year  43

		Yes	No
44	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If 'Yes,' Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		X
45	Is any related organization a controlled entity of the organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If 'Yes,' Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		X

**Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations only.** All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 46-49 and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

	Yes	No
<b>46</b> Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part I		X
<b>47</b> Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part II		X
<b>48</b> Is the organization operating a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule E		X
<b>49 a</b> Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?		X
<b>49 b</b> If 'Yes,' was the related organization(s) a section 527 organization?		

**50** Complete this table for the five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter 'None'

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$100,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
NONE				
Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000				

**51** Complete this table for the five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter 'None'

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		
Total number of other independent contractors receiving over \$100,000		

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

Sign Here

Signature of officer: *Jamie Story* Date: 11/14/09  
 Type or print name and title: *Jamie Story, President*

Paid Preparer's Use Only

Preparer's signature: *Gerald Y Ushijima* Date: 11/09/09  
 Check if self-employed:   
 Preparer's Identifying Number (See instructions): 575-38-7109  
 Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4: GERALD Y USHIJIMA, CPA  
 1110 UNIVERSITY AVE STE 508  
 HONOLULU HI 96826-1508  
 EIN: 99-0230347  
 Phone no: (808) 949-5588

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

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

**Public Charity Status and Public Support**

OMB No 1545-0047

**2008**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

To be completed by all section 501 (c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts.

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▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ See separate instructions.

Name of the organization

GRASSROOT INSTITUTE OF HAWAII, INC

Employer identification number

99-0354937

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

The organization is not a private foundation because it is (Please check only one organization)

- 1  A church, convention of churches or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.
- 2  A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)**. (Attach Schedule E)
- 3  A hospital or cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. (Attach Schedule H)
- 4  A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)** Enter the hospital's name, city, and state \_\_\_\_\_
- 5  An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv)**. (Complete Part II)
- 6  A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v)**.
- 7  An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II)
- 8  A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II)
- 9  An organization that normally receives (1) more than 33-1/3 % of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions - subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33-1/3 % of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975 See **section 509(a)(2)**. (Complete Part III)
- 10  An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety See **section 509(a)(4)**. (see instructions)
- 11  An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2) See **section 509(a)(3)**. Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h
  - a  Type I
  - b  Type II
  - c  Type III - Functionally integrated
  - d  Type III - Other
- e  By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2)
- f  If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that is a Type I, Type II or Type III supporting organization, check this box
- g Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons?

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

	Yes	No
<b>11 g (i)</b>		
<b>11 g (ii)</b>		
<b>11 g (iii)</b>		

**h** Provide the following information about the organizations the organization supports

(i) Name of Supported Organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-9 above or IRC section (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization in col (i) listed in your governing document?		(v) Did you notify the organization in col (i) of your support?		(vi) Is the organization in col (i) organized in the U.S.?		(vii) Amount of Support
			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
<b>Total</b>									

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Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2008

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

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions and membership fees received (Do not include 'unusual grants')						
<b>2</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to it or expended on its behalf						
<b>3</b> The value of services or facilities furnished to the organization by a governmental unit without charge. Do not include the value of services or facilities generally furnished to the public without charge						
<b>4 Total.</b> Add lines 1-3						
<b>5</b> The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						
<b>6 Public support.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4						

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
<b>7</b> Amounts from line 4						
<b>8</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
<b>9</b> Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
<b>10</b> Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
<b>11 Total support.</b> Add lines 7 through 10						
<b>12</b> Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					<b>12</b>	
<b>13 First five years.</b> If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here <input type="checkbox"/>						<input type="checkbox"/>

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

<b>14</b> Public support percentage for 2008 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	<b>14</b>	%
<b>15</b> Public support percentage for 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 26f	<b>15</b>	%
<b>16a 33-1/3 support test – 2008.</b> If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and the line 14 is 33-1/3 % or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>b 33-1/3 support test – 2007.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, or 16a, and line 15 is 33-1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test – 2008.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test – 2007.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>18 Private foundation.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions <input type="checkbox"/>		

**Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)**

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal yr beginning in) ▶	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions and membership fees received (Do not include "unusual grants.")	95,243.	364,778.	204,373.	229,223.	524,043.	1,417,660.
<b>2</b> Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in a activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose	9,974.	4,988.	6,104.	6,990.	9,446.	37,502.
<b>3</b> Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
<b>4</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
<b>5</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
<b>6 Total.</b> Add lines 1-5	105,217.	369,766.	210,477.	236,213.	533,489.	1,455,162.
<b>7a</b> Amounts included on lines 1, 2, 3 received from disqualified persons	9,142.	23,393.	24,122.	51,343.	22,325.	130,325.
<b>b</b> Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of 1% of the total of lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12 for the year or \$5,000	39,456.	206,600.	88,086.	73,500.	178,775.	586,417.
<b>c</b> Add lines 7a and 7b	48,598.	229,993.	112,208.	124,843.	201,100.	716,742.
<b>8 Public support</b> (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						738,420.

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal yr beginning in) ▶	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
<b>9</b> Amounts from line 6	105,217.	369,766.	210,477.	236,213.	533,489.	1,455,162.
<b>10a</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources		1,310.	3,726.	4,354.	4,500.	13,890.
<b>b</b> Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
<b>c</b> Add lines 10a and 10b		1,310.	3,726.	4,354.	4,500.	13,890.
<b>11</b> Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
<b>12</b> Other income Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
<b>13 Total support.</b> (add lns 9, 10c, 11, and 12)						1,469,052.
<b>14 First five years.</b> If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here <input type="checkbox"/>						

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

<b>15</b> Public support percentage for 2008 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	<b>15</b>	50.27%
<b>16</b> Public support percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27g	<b>16</b>	%

**Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage**

<b>17</b> Investment income percentage for 2008 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	<b>17</b>	0.95%
<b>18</b> Investment income percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27h	<b>18</b>	0.65%

**19a 33-1/3 support tests - 2008.** If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33-1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33-1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

**b 33-1/3 support tests - 2007.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or 19a, and line 16 is more than 33-1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33-1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

**20 Private foundation.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions





Form **4562**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service (99)

**Depreciation and Amortization  
(Including Information on Listed Property)**

▶ See separate instructions. ▶ Attach to your tax return.

OMB No 1545-0172

**2008**

Attachment  
Sequence No **67**

Name(s) shown on return

GRASSROOT INSTITUTE OF HAWAII, INC

Identifying number

99-0354937

Business or activity to which this form relates

Form 990 / Form 990EZ

**Part I Election To Expense Certain Property Under Section 179**

Note: If you have any listed property, complete Part V before you complete Part I

1	Maximum amount See the instructions for a higher limit for certain businesses	1	\$250,000.
2	Total cost of section 179 property placed in service (see instructions)	2	
3	Threshold cost of section 179 property before reduction in limitation (see instructions)	3	\$800,000.
4	Reduction in limitation Subtract line 3 from line 2 If zero or less, enter -0-	4	
5	Dollar limitation for tax year Subtract line 4 from line 1 If zero or less, enter -0- If married filing separately, see instructions	5	
6	(a) Description of property	(b) Cost (business use only)	(c) Elected cost
7	Listed property Enter the amount from line 29	7	
8	Total elected cost of section 179 property Add amounts in column (c), lines 6 and 7	8	
9	Tentative deduction Enter the smaller of line 5 or line 8	9	
10	Carryover of disallowed deduction from line 13 of your 2007 Form 4562	10	
11	Business income limitation Enter the smaller of business income (not less than zero) or line 5 (see instrs)	11	
12	Section 179 expense deduction Add lines 9 and 10, but do not enter more than line 11	12	
13	Carryover of disallowed deduction to 2009 Add lines 9 and 10, less line 12	13	

Note: Do not use Part II or Part III below for listed property Instead, use Part V

**Part II Special Depreciation Allowance and Other Depreciation (Do not include listed property) (See instructions)**

14	Special depreciation allowance for qualified property (other than listed property) placed in service during the tax year (see instructions)	14	
15	Property subject to section 168(f)(1) election	15	
16	Other depreciation (including ACRS)	16	

**Part III MACRS Depreciation (Do not include listed property) (See instructions)**

**Section A**

17	MACRS deductions for assets placed in service in tax years beginning before 2008	17	
18	If you are electing to group any assets placed in service during the tax year into one or more general asset accounts, check here <input type="checkbox"/>		

**Section B – Assets Placed in Service During 2008 Tax Year Using the General Depreciation System**

(a) Classification of property	(b) Month and year placed in service	(c) Basis for depreciation (business/investment use only – see instructions)	(d) Recovery period	(e) Convention	(f) Method	(g) Depreciation deduction
19a 3-year property						
b 5-year property		3,882.	5.0 yrs	HY	200DB	776.
c 7-year property						
d 10-year property						
e 15-year property						
f 20-year property						
g 25-year property			25 yrs		S/L	
h Residential rental property			27.5 yrs	MM	S/L	
			27.5 yrs	MM	S/L	
i Nonresidential real property			39 yrs	MM	S/L	
				MM	S/L	

**Section C – Assets Placed in Service During 2008 Tax Year Using the Alternative Depreciation System**

20a Class life					S/L	
b 12-year			12 yrs		S/L	
c 40-year			40 yrs	MM	S/L	

**Part IV Summary (See instructions)**

21	Listed property Enter amount from line 28	21	
22	Total Add amounts from line 12, lines 14 through 17, lines 19 and 20 in column (g), and line 21 Enter here and on the appropriate lines of your return Partnerships and S corporations – see instructions	22	776.
23	For assets shown above and placed in service during the current year, enter the portion of the basis attributable to section 263A costs	23	

**Part V Listed Property** (Include automobiles, certain other vehicles, cellular telephones, certain computers, and property used for entertainment, recreation, or amusement)

**Note:** For any vehicle for which you are using the standard mileage rate or deducting lease expense, complete *only* 24a, 24b, columns (a) through (c) of Section A, all of Section B, and Section C if applicable

**Section A – Depreciation and Other Information (Caution: See the instructions for limits for passenger automobiles)**

<b>24a</b> Do you have evidence to support the business/investment use claimed?					<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<b>24b</b> If 'Yes,' is the evidence written?					<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
(a) Type of property (list vehicles first)	(b) Date placed in service	(c) Business/investment use percentage	(d) Cost or other basis	(e) Basis for depreciation (business/investment use only)	(f) Recovery period	(g) Method/Convention	(h) Depreciation deduction						(i) Elected section 179 cost
<b>25</b> Special depreciation allowance for qualified listed property placed in service during the tax year and used more than 50% in a qualified business use (see instructions)							<b>25</b>						
<b>26</b> Property used more than 50% in a qualified business use:													
<b>27</b> Property used 50% or less in a qualified business use:													
<b>28</b> Add amounts in column (h), lines 25 through 27. Enter here and on line 21, page 1											<b>28</b>		
<b>29</b> Add amounts in column (i), line 26. Enter here and on line 7, page 1											<b>29</b>		

**Section B – Information on Use of Vehicles**

Complete this section for vehicles used by a sole proprietor, partner, or other 'more than 5% owner,' or related person. If you provided vehicles to your employees, first answer the questions in Section C to see if you meet an exception to completing this section for those vehicles.

30 Total business/investment miles driven during the year (do not include commuting miles)	(a) Vehicle 1		(b) Vehicle 2		(c) Vehicle 3		(d) Vehicle 4		(e) Vehicle 5		(f) Vehicle 6	
31 Total commuting miles driven during the year												
32 Total other personal (noncommuting) miles driven												
33 Total miles driven during the year. Add lines 30 through 32												
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
34 Was the vehicle available for personal use during off-duty hours?												
35 Was the vehicle used primarily by a more than 5% owner or related person?												
36 Is another vehicle available for personal use?												

**Section C – Questions for Employers Who Provide Vehicles for Use by Their Employees**

Answer these questions to determine if you meet an exception to completing Section B for vehicles used by employees who are not more than 5% owners or related persons (see instructions)

<b>37</b> Do you maintain a written policy statement that prohibits all personal use of vehicles, including commuting, by your employees?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>38</b> Do you maintain a written policy statement that prohibits personal use of vehicles, except commuting, by your employees? See the instructions for vehicles used by corporate officers, directors, or 1% or more owners.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>39</b> Do you treat all use of vehicles by employees as personal use?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>40</b> Do you provide more than five vehicles to your employees, obtain information from your employees about the use of the vehicles, and retain the information received?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>41</b> Do you meet the requirements concerning qualified automobile demonstration use? (See instructions)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Note:</b> If your answer to 37, 38, 39, 40, or 41 is 'Yes,' do not complete Section B for the covered vehicles		

**Part VI Amortization**

(a) Description of costs	(b) Date amortization begins	(c) Amortizable amount	(d) Code section	(e) Amortization period or percentage	(f) Amortization for this year
<b>42</b> Amortization of costs that begins during your 2008 tax year (see instructions)					
<b>43</b> Amortization of costs that began before your 2008 tax year					<b>43</b>
<b>44</b> Total. Add amounts in column (f). See the instructions for where to report					<b>44</b>

Name as Shown on Return GRASSROOT INSTITUTE OF HAWAII, INC	Employer Identification No 99-0354937
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Line 24 - Other Assets:	Beginning of Year	End of Year
<b>Totals to Form 990-EZ, Part II, line 24</b>		

Line 26 - Total Liabilities:	Beginning of Year	End of Year
AMEX		474.
<b>Totals to Form 990-EZ, Part II, line 26</b>		474.

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16

**Other Expenses Statement**

Other expenses (describe)	
Depreciation	776.
BOOKS	6,395.
MEETINGS, CONFERENCES	25,091.
OFFICE SUPPLIES	4,185.
TRAVEL	23,698.
INSURANCE	4,091.
DUES	827.
DEVELOPMENT	4,037.
ADVERTISING AND PROMOTION	4,996.
MISC	4,863.
INTERN COSTS	4,500.
Total	<u>83,459.</u>

**Supporting Statement of:**

Form 990-EZ/Other Program Service Exp

Description	Amount
YOUTH PROGRAM. CONDUCTED FREE MARKET	53,635.
PERSPECTIVE DEBATE TRAINING, TOOK IN AND	
TRAINED INTERNS IN PUBLIC POLICY RESEARCH	
AND HELD VARIOUS SESSIONS IN INDEPENDENT	
SCHOOLS. OVER 200 STUDENTS WERE REACHED	
Total	<u>53,635.</u>

# Application for Extension of Time To File an Exempt Organization Return

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

▶ **File a separate application for each return.**

- If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension, complete only Part I** and check this box
- If you are filing for an **Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension, complete only Part II** (on page 2 of this form)

**Do not complete Part II unless** you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.

**Part I Automatic 3-Month Extension of Time.** Only submit original (no copies needed).

A corporation required to file Form 990-T and requesting an automatic 6-month extension — check this box and complete Part I only

*All other corporations (including 1120-C filers), partnerships, REMICS, and trusts must use Form 7004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns*

**Electronic Filing (e-file).** Generally, you can electronically file Form 8868 if you want a 3-month automatic extension of time to file one of the returns noted below (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T). However, you cannot file Form 8868 electronically if (1) you want the additional (not automatic) 3-month extension or (2) you file Forms 990-BL, 6069, or 8870, group returns, or a composite or consolidated Form 990-T. Instead, you must submit the fully completed and signed page 2 (Part II) of Form 8868. For more details on the electronic filing of this form, visit [www.irs.gov/efile](http://www.irs.gov/efile) and click on *e-file for Charities & Nonprofits*

<b>Type or print</b>  <small>File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions</small>	Name of Exempt Organization	Employer identification number
	GRASSROOT INSTITUTE OF HAWAII, INC	99-0354937
	Number, street, and room or suite number. If a P.O. box, see instructions	
	1314 S. KING ST, #1163	
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions	
	HONOLULU	HI 96814

**Check type of return to be filed** (file a separate application for each return)

<input type="checkbox"/> Form 990	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T (corporation)	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 4720
<input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-BL	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T (section 401(a) or 408(a) trust)	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 5227
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990-EZ	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T (trust other than above)	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 6069
<input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-PF	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 1041-A	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 8870

• The books are in the care of ▶ JAMIE STORY -----

Telephone No ▶ (808) 591-9193 ----- FAX No ▶ -----

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

1 I request an automatic 3-month (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T) extension of time until Aug 17, 2009, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for:

- ▶  calendar year 2008 or
- ▶  tax year beginning \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, and ending \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

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

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

**Caution.** If you are going to make an electronic fund withdrawal with this Form 8868, see Form 8453-EO and Form 8879-EO for payment instructions

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

If you are filing for an Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension, complete only Part II and check this box

Note. Only complete Part II if you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868

If you are filing for an Automatic 3-Month Extension, complete only Part I (on page 1)

Part II Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension of Time. You must file original and one copy.

Form with fields for Name of Exempt Organization (GRASSROOT INSTITUTE OF HAWAII, INC), Employer identification number (99-0354937), and address (1314 S. KING ST, #1163, HONOLULU HI 96814).

Check type of return to be filed (File a separate application for each return)

Form with checkboxes for Form 990, Form 990-PF, Form 990-T, Form 990-EZ, Form 1041-A, Form 4720, Form 5227, Form 6069, and Form 8870.

STOP! Do not complete Part II if you were not already granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.

Form with fields for books in care of (JAMIE STORY), telephone number ((808) 591-9193), and checkboxes for organization location and group exemption number.

Form with fields for extension request details, including dates (Nov 16, 2009) and reasons for extension.

Table with 3 rows and 2 columns. Row 1: 8a Tentative tax \$0. Row 2: 8b Refundable credits \$0. Row 3: 8c Balance Due \$0.

Signature and Verification

Signature and verification section with handwritten signature (Jamie Story), title (President), and date (11/14/09).