

Form **990-EZ**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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)

▶ Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds, organizations that operate one or more hospital facilities, and certain controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990. All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$200,000 and total assets less than \$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.*

OMB No. 1545-1150

2012

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A For the 2012 calendar year, or tax year beginning and ending

B Check if applicable:
 Address change
 Name change
 Initial return
 Terminated
 Amended return
 Application pending

C Name of organization
DISCOVERING DEAF WORLDS, INC.

D Employer identification number
****-*******

E Telephone number
(585) 234-8144

F Group Exemption Number
 ▶

G Accounting Method: Cash Accrual Other (specify) ▶

H Check if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

I Website: ▶ **WWW.DISCOVERINGDEAFWORLDS.ORG**

J Tax-exempt status (check only one) — 501(c)(3) 501(c) () ◀ (insert no.) 4947(a)(1) or 527

K Check if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization or a section 527 organization and its gross receipts are normally not more than \$50,000. A Form 990-EZ or Form 990 return is not required though Form 990-N (e-postcard) may be required (see instructions). But if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return.

L Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets (Part II, line 25, column (B) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ ▶ \$ **46,696.**

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (see the instructions for Part I)
 Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I

| Revenue | 1 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received | 1 | 39,210. | |
|---|--|-----------|---------|--|
| | 2 Program service revenue including government fees and contracts | 2 | 0. | |
| | 3 Membership dues and assessments | 3 | | |
| | 4 Investment income | 4 | | |
| | 5a Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory | 5a | | |
| | b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses | 5b | | |
| | c Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a) | 5c | | |
| | 6 Gaming and fundraising events | | | |
| | a Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000) | 6a | | |
| | b Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ <u>14,310.</u> of contributions from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000) | 6b | 7,486. | |
| c Less: direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events | 6c | 7,486. | | |
| d Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c) | 6d | 0. | | |
| 7a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances | 7a | | | |
| b Less: cost of goods sold | 7b | | | |
| c Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a) | 7c | | | |
| 8 Other revenue (describe in Schedule O) | 8 | | | |
| 9 Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8 | 9 | 39,210. | | |
| Expenses | 10 Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O) | 10 | | |
| | 11 Benefits paid to or for members | 11 | | |
| | 12 Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits | 12 | | |
| | 13 Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors | 13 | 915. | |
| | 14 Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance | 14 | | |
| | 15 Printing, publications, postage, and shipping | 15 | 3,756. | |
| | 16 Other expenses (describe in Schedule O) SEE SCHEDULE O | 16 | 28,533. | |
| 17 Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16 | 17 | 33,204. | | |
| Net Assets | 18 Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9) | 18 | 6,006. | |
| | 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 | 18,948. | |
| | 20 Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O) | 20 | 0. | |
| | 21 Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20 | 21 | 24,954. | |

LHA For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

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Part II Balance Sheets (see the instructions for Part II)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II

| | (A) Beginning of year | | (B) End of year |
|--|-----------------------|----|-----------------|
| 22 Cash, savings, and investments | 18,948. | 22 | 24,954. |
| 23 Land and buildings | | 23 | |
| 24 Other assets (describe in Schedule O) | | 24 | |
| 25 Total assets | 18,948. | 25 | 24,954. |
| 26 Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O) | | 26 | |
| 27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21) | 18,948. | 27 | 24,954. |

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see the instructions for Part III)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? SEE SCHEDULE O

Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title.

Expenses
(Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts; optional for others.)

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| 28 ADVOCATING FOR AND SPREADING PUBLIC AWARENESS OF DEAF PEOPLE IN THE UNITED STATES AND OTHER COUNTRIES BY ISSUING NEWSLETTERS (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/> | 28a | 17,449. |
| 29 _____ (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/> | 29a | |
| 30 _____ (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/> | 30a | |
| 31 Other program services (describe in Schedule O) _____ (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/> | 31a | |
| 32 Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a) | 32 | 17,449. |

Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees List each one even if not compensated. (see the instructions for Part IV)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part IV

| (a) Name and title | (b) Average hours per week devoted to position | (c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC) (if not paid, enter -0-) | (d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation | (e) Estimated amount of other compensation |
|---------------------------------------|--|--|---|--|
| HAROLD MOWL PRESIDENT | 5.00 | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| JAMES DECARO, PH.D. VICE PRESIDENT | 5.00 | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| BRYAN HENSEL TREASURER | 5.00 | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| MARTIN HILLER DIRECTOR | 5.00 | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| STACEY MILLER SECRETARY | 5.00 | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| MICHAEL A SCHWARTZ, ESQ DIRECTOR | 5.00 | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| KHADIJAT RASHID DIRECTOR | 5.00 | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| MARILYN SMITH DIRECTOR | 5.00 | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| DENISE THEW DIRECTOR | 5.00 | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| MADAN VASISHTA DIRECTOR | 5.00 | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| BERNARD N. BRAGG DIRECTOR | 5.00 | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| CAROL-LEE AQUILINE DIRECTOR | 5.00 | 0. | 0. | 0. |

Part V Other Information (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in the instructions for Part V) Check if the organization used Sch. O to respond to any question in this Part V [X]

33 Did the organization engage in any significant activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O
34 Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name. Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O (see instructions)
35a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)?
35b If "Yes," to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O
35c Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III
36 Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N
37a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions 37a 0.
37b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?
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 outstanding at the end of the tax year covered by this return?
38b If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved 38b N/A
39 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:
39a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 39a N/A
39b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities 39b N/A
40a Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 0.; section 4912 0.; section 4955 0.
40b Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year, or did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I
40c Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 0.
40d Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization 0.
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
41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed NY
42a The organization's books are in care of DAVID JUSTICE Telephone no. 585-690-6737
Located at 88 BERKELEY STREET, #4, ROCHESTER, NY ZIP + 4 14607
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)?
42c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U.S.?
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 N/A
44a Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ
44b Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ
44c Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?
44d If "Yes" to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O
45a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?
45b Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ (see instructions)

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| | | Yes | No |
| 46 | Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I | | X |
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Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations only

All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 47-49b and 52, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI

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| | | Yes | No |
| 47 | Did the organization engage in lobbying activities or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Sch. C, Part II | | X |
| 48 | Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E | | X |
| 49a | Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? | | X |
| 49b | If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization? | | |

50 Complete this table for the organization's 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 title of each employee paid more than \$100,000 | (b) Average hours per week devoted to position | (c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC) | (d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation | (e) Estimated amount of other compensation |
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| NONE | | | | |
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f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000

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

| (a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000 | (b) Type of service | (c) Compensation |
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d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000

52 Did the organization complete Schedule A? Note: All section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A Yes No

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.

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| Sign Here | Signature of officer | Date |
| | BRYAN HENSEL, TREASURER Type or print name and title | |

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| Paid Preparer Use Only | Print/Type preparer's name | Preparer's signature | Date | Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed | PTIN |
| | JEFFREY M. WEXLER | | 03/08/13 | | ***** |
| | Firm's name DAVIE KAPLAN, CPA, P.C. | Firm's address 1000 FIRST FEDERAL PLAZA ROCHESTER, NY 14614-1916 | | Firm's EIN ** - ***** | Phone no. 585-454-4161 |

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

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support

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

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

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|---|---|
| Name of the organization <p style="text-align: center; margin: 0;">DISCOVERING DEAF WORLDS, INC.</p> | Employer identification number <p style="text-align: center; margin: 0;">** _ * * * * *</p> |
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Part I Reason for Public Charity Status (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 11, check only one box.)

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

| | Yes | No |
|--|-----------------|----|
| (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? | 11g(i) | |
| (ii) A family member of a person described in (i) above? | 11g(ii) | |
| (iii) A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above? | 11g(iii) | |
- h Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

| (i) Name of supported organization | (ii) EIN | (iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-9 above or IRC section (see instructions)) | (iv) Is the organization in 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 monetary support |
|------------------------------------|----------|---|---|----|--|----|---|----|----------------------------------|
| | | | Yes | No | Yes | No | Yes | No | |
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Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)

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

Section A. Public Support

| Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ► | (a) 2008 | (b) 2009 | (c) 2010 | (d) 2011 | (e) 2012 | (f) Total |
|--|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|
| 1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.") | | 15,961. | 15,606. | 32,856. | 46,696. | 111,119. |
| 2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf | | | | | | |
| 3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge | | | | | | |
| 4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3 | | 15,961. | 15,606. | 32,856. | 46,696. | 111,119. |
| 5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f) | | | | | | 91. |
| 6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4. | | | | | | 111,028. |

Section B. Total Support

| Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ► | (a) 2008 | (b) 2009 | (c) 2010 | (d) 2011 | (e) 2012 | (f) Total |
|--|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-------------------------------------|
| 7 Amounts from line 4 | | 15,961. | 15,606. | 32,856. | 46,696. | 111,119. |
| 8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources | | | | | | |
| 9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on | | | | | | |
| 10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.) | | | | | | |
| 11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10 | | | | | | 111,119. |
| 12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions) | | | | | 12 | 950. |
| 13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here | | | | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

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| 14 Public support percentage for 2012 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f)) | 14 | % |
| 15 Public support percentage from 2011 Schedule A, Part II, line 14 | 15 | % |
| 16a 33 1/3% support test - 2012. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| b 33 1/3% support test - 2011. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| 17a 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2012. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| b 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2011. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| 18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions | <input type="checkbox"/> | |

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

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

| Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ► | (a) 2008 | (b) 2009 | (c) 2010 | (d) 2011 | (e) 2012 | (f) Total |
|---|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|
| 1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.") | | | | | | |
| 2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose | | | | | | |
| 3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513 | | | | | | |
| 4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf | | | | | | |
| 5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge | | | | | | |
| 6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5 | | | | | | |
| 7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons | | | | | | |
| b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year | | | | | | |
| c Add lines 7a and 7b | | | | | | |
| 8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.) | | | | | | |

Section B. Total Support

| Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ► | (a) 2008 | (b) 2009 | (c) 2010 | (d) 2011 | (e) 2012 | (f) Total |
|---|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|
| 9 Amounts from line 6 | | | | | | |
| 10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources | | | | | | |
| b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975 | | | | | | |
| c Add lines 10a and 10b | | | | | | |
| 11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on | | | | | | |
| 12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.) | | | | | | |
| 13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.) | | | | | | |

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

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

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| 15 Public support percentage for 2012 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) | 15 | % |
| 16 Public support percentage from 2011 Schedule A, Part III, line 15 | 16 | % |

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

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|---|-----------|---|
| 17 Investment income percentage for 2012 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) | 17 | % |
| 18 Investment income percentage from 2011 Schedule A, Part III, line 17 | 18 | % |

19a 33 1/3% support tests - 2012. 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 - 2011. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

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

SCHEDULE G
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Supplemental Information Regarding
Fundraising or Gaming Activities

OMB No. 1545-0047

2012

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

**Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, lines 17, 18, or 19,
or if the organization entered more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.
▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ See separate instructions.**

**Open To Public
Inspection**

Name of the organization
DISCOVERING DEAF WORLDS, INC.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Part II Fundraising Events. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 18, or reported more than \$15,000 of fundraising event contributions and gross income on Form 990-EZ, lines 1 and 6b. List events with gross receipts greater than \$5,000.

| | | (a) Event #1 | (b) Event #2 | (c) Other events | (d) Total events (add col. (a) through col. (c)) |
|-----------------|---|-------------------|--------------|------------------|--|
| | | COCKTAIL PARTY | | NONE | |
| | | (event type) | (event type) | (total number) | |
| Revenue | 1 Gross receipts | 21,796. | | | 21,796. |
| | 2 Less: Contributions | 14,310. | | | 14,310. |
| | 3 Gross income (line 1 minus line 2) | 7,486. | | | 7,486. |
| Direct Expenses | 4 Cash prizes | | | | |
| | 5 Noncash prizes | | | | |
| | 6 Rent/facility costs | | | | |
| | 7 Food and beverages | | | | |
| | 8 Entertainment | | | | |
| | 9 Other direct expenses | 7,486. | | | 7,486. |
| | 10 Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d) | | | | (7,486) |
| | 11 Net income summary. Combine line 3, column (d), and line 10 | | | | 0. |

Part III Gaming. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 19, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

| | | (a) Bingo | (b) Pull tabs/instant bingo/progressive bingo | (c) Other gaming | (d) Total gaming (add col. (a) through col. (c)) |
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| | | 1 Gross revenue | | | |
| Direct Expenses | 2 Cash prizes | | | | |
| | 3 Noncash prizes | | | | |
| | 4 Rent/facility costs | | | | |
| | 5 Other direct expenses | | | | |
| | 6 Volunteer labor | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No | |
| 7 Direct expense summary. Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d) | | | | (_____) | |
| 8 Net gaming income summary. Combine line 1, column d, and line 7 | | | | | |

9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization operates gaming activities: _____
a Is the organization licensed to operate gaming activities in each of these states? Yes No
b If "No," explain: _____

10a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended or terminated during the tax year? Yes No
b If "Yes," explain: _____

11 Does the organization operate gaming activities with nonmembers? Yes No

12 Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming? Yes No

13 Indicate the percentage of gaming activity operated in:

a The organization's facility **13a** _____ %

b An outside facility **13b** _____ %

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

Name ▶ _____

Address ▶ _____

15a Does the organization have a contract with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue? Yes No

b If "Yes," enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization ▶ \$ _____ and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party ▶ \$ _____ .

c If "Yes," enter name and address of the third party:

Name ▶ _____

Address ▶ _____

16 Gaming manager information:

Name ▶ _____

Gaming manager compensation ▶ \$ _____

Description of services provided ▶ _____

Director/officer

Employee

Independent contractor

17 Mandatory distributions:

a Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license? Yes No

b Enter the amount of distributions required under state law to be distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year ▶ \$ _____

Part IV **Supplemental Information.** Complete this part to provide the explanations required by Part I, line 2b, columns (iii) and (v), and Part III, lines 9, 9b, 10b, 15b, 15c, 16, and 17b, as applicable. Also complete this part to provide any additional information (see instructions).

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

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

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DISCOVERING DEAF WORLDS, INC.

Employer identification number

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FORM 990-EZ, PART I, LINE 16, OTHER EXPENSES:

DESCRIPTION OF OTHER EXPENSES:

AMOUNT:

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| GIFTS | 321. |
| OFFICE EXPENSES | 1,889. |
| FUNDRAISING EXPENSES | 2,180. |
| PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT | 17,449. |
| WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT | 2,770. |
| TRAVEL | 1,108. |
| COMMISSIONS & FEES | 115. |
| INTERPRETERS | 804. |
| INSURANCE - BUSINESS | 1,357. |
| MEMBERSHIP TO NAD | 540. |
| TOTAL TO FORM 990-EZ, LINE 16 | 28,533. |

FORM 990-EZ, PART III, PRIMARY EXEMPT PURPOSE - THE OBJECTIVE OF THE ORGANIZATION IS TO ADVOCATE THE SELF-DETERMINATION OF SIGNING DEAF COMMUNITIES THROUGH LOCAL CAPACITY BUILDING IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

FORM 990-EZ, PART V, INFORMATION REGARDING PERSONAL BENEFIT CONTRACTS:

THE ORGANIZATION DID NOT, DURING THE YEAR, RECEIVE ANY FUNDS, DIRECTLY, OR INDIRECTLY, TO PAY PREMIUMS ON A PERSONAL BENEFIT CONTRACT.

THE ORGANIZATION, DID NOT, DURING THE YEAR, PAY ANY PREMIUMS, DIRECTLY, OR INDIRECTLY, ON A PERSONAL BENEFIT CONTRACT.

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| Form CHAR500 | Annual Filing for Charitable Organizations New York State Department of Law (Office of the Attorney General) Charities Bureau - Registration Section 120 Broadway New York, NY 10271 http://www.charitiesnys.com | 2012 |
| This form used for Article 7-A, EPTL and dual filers (replaces forms CHAR 497, CHAR 010 and CHAR 006) | | Open to Public Inspection |

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| 1. General Information | | |
| a. For the fiscal year beginning (mm/dd/yyyy) 01/01/2012 and ending (mm/dd/yyyy) 12/31/2012 | | |
| b. Check if applicable for NYS: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial filing <input type="checkbox"/> Final filing <input type="checkbox"/> Amended filing <input type="checkbox"/> NY registration pending | c. Name of organization DISCOVERING DEAF WORLDS, INC. | d. Fed. employer ID no. (EIN) **_***** |
| | e. NY State registration no. 41-76-26 | |
| | f. Telephone number 585 227-1650 | |
| | g. Email | |
| | Number and street (or P.O. box if mail not delivered to street address) Room/suite PO BOX 10063 | |
| | City or town, state or country and ZIP + 4 ROCHESTER, NY 14610 | |

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| 2. Certification - Two Signatures Required | | | |
| We certify under penalties of perjury that we reviewed this report, including all attachments, and to the best of our knowledge and belief, they are true, correct and complete in accordance with the laws of the State of New York applicable to this report. | | | |
| a. President or Authorized Officer | Signature | Printed Name HAROLD MOWL, JR. | Title PRESIDENT |
| | | Date | |
| b. Chief Financial Officer or Treas. | Signature | Printed Name BRYAN HENSEL | Title TREASURER |
| | | Date | |

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| 3. Annual Report Exemption Information | |
| a. Article 7-A annual report exemption (Article 7-A registrants and dual registrants) Check <input type="checkbox"/> if total contributions from NY State (including residents, foundations, corporations, government agencies, etc.) did not exceed \$25,000 and the organization did not engage a professional fund raiser (PFR) or fund raising counsel (FRC) to solicit contributions during this fiscal year. NOTE: An organization may claim this exemption if no PFR or FRC was used and either: 1) it received an allocation from a federated fund, United Way or incorporated community appeal and contributions from other sources did not exceed \$25,000 or 2) it received all or substantially all of its contributions from one government agency to which it submitted an annual report similar to that required by Article 7-A. | |
| b. EPTL annual report exemption (EPTL registrants and dual registrants) Check <input type="checkbox"/> if gross receipts did not exceed \$25,000 and assets (market value) did not exceed \$25,000 at any time during this fiscal year. | |
| For EPTL or Article 7-A registrants claiming the annual report exemption under the one law under which they are registered and for dual registrants claiming the annual report exemptions under both laws, simply complete part 1 (General Information), part 2 (Certification) and part 3 (Annual Report Exemption Information) above. <i>Do not submit a fee, do not complete the following schedules and do not submit any attachments to this form.</i> | |

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| 4. Article 7-A Schedules | |
| If you did not check the Article 7-A annual report exemption above, complete the following for this fiscal year: | |
| a. Did the organization use a professional fund raiser, fund raising counsel or commercial co-venturer for fund raising activity in NY State? ... <input type="checkbox"/> Yes* <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | * If "Yes", complete Schedule 4a. |
| b. Did the organization receive government contributions (grants)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes* <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | * If "Yes", complete Schedule 4b. |

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| 5. Fee Submitted: See last page for summary of fee requirements. | |
| Indicate the filing fee(s) you are submitting along with this form: | |
| a. Article 7-A filing fee | \$ <u>10.</u> |
| b. EPTL filing fee | \$ <u>25.</u> |
| c. Total fee | \$ <u>35.</u> |
| Submit only one check or money order for the total fee, payable to "NYS Department of Law" | |

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| 6. Attachments - For organizations that are not claiming annual report exemptions under both laws, see last page for required attachments ➡➡➡ |
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DISCOVERING DEAF WORLDS, INC.

5. Fee Instructions

The filing fee depends on the organization's Registration Type. For details on Registration Type and filing fees, see the Instructions for Form CHAR500.

| Organization's Registration Type | Fee Instructions |
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- **Article 7-A** Calculate the Article 7-A filing fee using the table in **part a** below. The EPTL filing fee is \$0.
- **EPTL** Calculate the EPTL filing fee using the table in **part b** below. The Article 7-A filing fee is \$0.
- **Dual** Calculate both the Article 7-A and EPTL filing fees using the tables in **parts a and b** below. Add the Article 7-A and EPTL filing fees together to calculate the total fee. Submit a single check or money order for the total fee.

a) Article 7-A filing fee

| Total Support & Revenue | Article 7-A Fee |
|-------------------------|-----------------|
| more than \$250,000 | \$25 |
| up to \$250,000 * | \$10 |

* Any organization that contracted with or used the services of a professional fund raiser (PFR) or fund raising counsel (FRC) during the reporting period must pay an Article 7-A filing fee of \$25, regardless of total support and revenue.

b) EPTL filing fee

| Net Worth at End of Year | EPTL Fee |
|--|----------|
| Less than \$50,000 | \$25 |
| \$50,000 or more, but less than \$250,000 | \$50 |
| \$250,000 or more, but less than \$1,000,000 | \$100 |
| \$1,000,000 or more, but less than \$10,000,000 | \$250 |
| \$10,000,000 or more, but less than \$50,000,000 | \$750 |
| \$50,000,000 or more | \$1500 |

6. Attachments - Document Attachment Check-List

Check the boxes for the documents you are attaching.

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| For All Filers | | |
| <u>Filing Fee</u> | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Single check or money order payable to "NYS Department of Law" | | |
| <u>Copies of Internal Revenue Service Forms</u> | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> IRS Form 990 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IRS Form 990-EZ | <input type="checkbox"/> IRS Form 990-PF |
| <input type="checkbox"/> All required schedules (including Schedule B) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All required schedules (including Schedule B) | <input type="checkbox"/> All required schedules (including Schedule B) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> IRS Form 990-T | <input type="checkbox"/> IRS Form 990-T | <input type="checkbox"/> IRS Form 990-T |

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| Additional Article 7-A Document Attachment Requirement |
| <u>Independent Accountant's Report</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Audit Report (total support & revenue more than \$250,000) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Review Report (total support & revenue \$100,001 to \$250,000) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Accountant's Report Required (total support & revenue not more than \$100,000) |