

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

2017

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

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Open to Public Inspection

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Header section A-M containing organization details: Name (Louisville Grows Incorporated), EIN (27-0959401), address (1641 Portland Avenue, Louisville, KY 40203), principal officer (Kedrick Stanfield), website (www.louisvillegrows.org), and tax-exempt status (501(c)(3)).

Part I Summary

Summary table with columns for Activities & Governance, Revenue, Expenses, and Net Assets or Fund Balances. Rows include mission statement, member counts, revenue (Total: 458,206), expenses (Total: 438,929), and net assets (End of Year: 292,001).

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete.

Signature block for Kedrick Stanfield, Executive Director, including signature and date fields.

Paid Preparer Use Only section for Tim Darst, CPA, LLC, including preparer name, signature, date, and firm information.

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

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

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

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:
Our mission is to increase community health and sustainable living through establishing community gardens and sustainability programs that educate citizens on the importance of proper nutrition and increase the availability of fruits and vegetables as well as physical exercise.

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? Yes No
If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? Yes No
If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.

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

4a (Code: _____) (Expenses \$ 139,716 including grants of \$ _____) (Revenue \$ _____)
Louisville Loves Trees educates citizens in the art of forestry and promotes a healthier more sustainable community through the planting of trees.

4b (Code: _____) (Expenses \$ 138,916 including grants of \$ _____) (Revenue \$ _____)
Louisville Grows Urban Gardens program works in solidarity with each neighborhood to identify beneficial garden structures to enhance health and sustainability. Neighborhoods have installed beehives, a children's play area, fruit trees and bushes, benches, "Little Libraries," greenhouses, hugelkultur mounds, and a community gathering space. Each garden hosts a large event during or after the growing season to celebrate the harvest with their neighbors. Time spent in this program includes advocacy, networking, mentorship and care of urban properties acquired by Louisville Grows or neighborhood groups to develop Urban Gardens and small scale farming operations.

4c (Code: _____) (Expenses \$ 33,964 including grants of \$ _____) (Revenue \$ _____)
Located at 1641 Portland Avenue, the Healthy House, is an engaging, energy efficient, sustainable community space that connects local residents to health, wellness, and green education.

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.)
(Expenses \$ _____ including grants of \$ _____) (Revenue \$ _____)

4e Total program service expenses **▶ 312,596**