

# Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

# 2016

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

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Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**A** For the 2016 calendar year, or tax year beginning February 1, 2016, and ending January 31, 20 17

<b>B</b> Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	<b>C</b> Name of organization <u>Brother, Help Thyself, Inc.</u>		<b>D</b> Employer identification number <u>52-1231822</u>
	Doing business as		<b>E</b> Telephone number <u>202-347-2246</u>
	Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address)	Room/suite	
	City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code <u>Washington, DC 20013-8841</u>		<b>G</b> Gross receipts \$ <u>                    </u> <b>XX</b>

<b>I</b> Tax-exempt status: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) ( ) ◀ (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527	<b>H(a)</b> Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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<b>J</b> Website: ▶ <u>www.brotherhelphyself.org</u>	<b>H(b)</b> Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list. (see instructions)
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<b>K</b> Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other ▶	<b>L</b> Year of formation: <u>1980</u>	<b>M</b> State of legal domicile: <u>DC</u>
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### Part I Summary

**1** Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: Brother, Help Thyself provides support and leadership in the areas of health, education, culture and GLBTO advocacy in the Washington, DC and Baltimore, MD metropolitan areas.

**2** Check this box  if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.

<b>3</b> Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	<b>3</b>	<u>9</u>
<b>4</b> Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	<b>4</b>	<u>9</u>
<b>5</b> Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2016 (Part V, line 2a)	<b>5</b>	<u>0</u>
<b>6</b> Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	<b>6</b>	<u>200</u>
<b>7a</b> Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	<b>7a</b>	<u>-0-</u>
<b>b</b> Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	<b>7b</b>	<u>-0-</u>

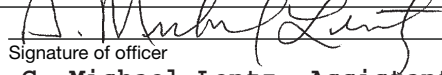
		Prior Year	Current Year
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>8</b> Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)		
	<b>9</b> Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)		
	<b>10</b> Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)		
	<b>11</b> Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)		
<b>12</b> Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)			

<b>Expenses</b>	<b>13</b> Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)		
	<b>14</b> Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		
	<b>15</b> Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)		
	<b>16a</b> Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)		
	<b>b</b> Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶		
<b>17</b> Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24e)			
<b>18</b> Total expenses. Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)			
<b>19</b> Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12			

		Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>20</b> Total assets (Part X, line 16)		
	<b>21</b> Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)		
	<b>22</b> Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20		

### Part II Signature Block

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

<b>Sign Here</b>		<u>17 November 2017</u>
	Signature of officer <b>G. Michael Lentz, Assistant Treasurer</b>	Date
	Type or print name and title	

<b>Paid Preparer Use Only</b>	Print/Type preparer's name <u>n/a</u>	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN
	Firm's name ▶	Firm's EIN ▶			
	Firm's address ▶	Phone no.			

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

**Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors**

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

**Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees**

**1a** Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

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

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

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

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) Jim Slattery, Director/President	6	✓		✓				0	0	0
(2) D. Andrew McCarty, Director/Vice President	4	✓		✓				0	0	0
(3) Julius Agers, Secretary	3			✓				0	0	0
(4) Mark Clark, Director/Treasurer	4	✓		✓				0	0	0
(5) Michael Lentz, Director/Assistant Treasurer	3	✓		✓				0	0	0
(6) John Kane, Director	2	✓						0	0	0
(7) Jonathan Gentry, Director	2	✓						0	0	0
(8) Bradley Hill, Director	2	✓						0	0	0
(9) Dustin Dunn, Director	2	✓						0	0	0
(10) Christopher Brush, Director	2	✓						0	0	0
(11)										
(12)										
(13)										
(14)										

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

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(15)										
(16)										
(17)										
(18)										
(19)										
(20)										
(21)										
(22)										
(23)										
(24)										
(25)										
<b>1b Sub-total</b>							0	0	0	
<b>c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A</b>							0	0	0	
<b>d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)</b>							0	0	0	

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

	Yes	No
<b>3</b> Did the organization list any <b>former</b> officer, director, or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>		✓
<b>4</b> For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>		✓
<b>5</b> Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>		✓

**Section B. Independent Contractors**

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

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
NONE - No contractors used by the organization		

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

**Part VIII Statement of Revenue**

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

				(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514
<b>Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts</b>	<b>1a</b>	Federated campaigns . . . . .	<b>1a</b>	10,310			
	<b>b</b>	Membership dues . . . . .	<b>1b</b>	-0-			
	<b>c</b>	Fundraising events . . . . .	<b>1c</b>	-0-			
	<b>d</b>	Related organizations . . . . .	<b>1d</b>	11,195			
	<b>e</b>	Government grants (contributions)	<b>1e</b>	-0-			
	<b>f</b>	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	<b>1f</b>	7,560			
	<b>g</b>	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$					
	<b>h</b>	<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f . . . . . ▶			29,064		
<b>Program Service Revenue</b>				<b>Business Code</b>			
	<b>2a</b>	-----					
	<b>b</b>	-----					
	<b>c</b>	-----					
	<b>d</b>	-----					
	<b>e</b>	-----					
	<b>f</b>	All other program service revenue .					
<b>g</b>	<b>Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f . . . . . ▶			-0-			
<b>Other Revenue</b>	<b>3</b>	Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts) . . . . . ▶			12,444		
	<b>4</b>	Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds ▶					
	<b>5</b>	Royalties . . . . . ▶					
	<b>6a</b>	(i) Real		(ii) Personal			
		Gross rents . . . . .					
		Less: rental expenses					
		Rental income or (loss)					
	<b>d</b>	Net rental income or (loss) . . . . . ▶					
	<b>7a</b>	(i) Securities		(ii) Other			
		Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory					
		Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses . . . . .					
		Gain or (loss) . . . . .					
	<b>d</b>	Net gain or (loss) . . . . . ▶					
	<b>8a</b>	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18 . . . . . <b>a</b>			26,259		
	<b>b</b>	Less: direct expenses . . . . . <b>b</b>			19,639		
	<b>c</b>	Net income or (loss) from fundraising events . ▶			6,620		
	<b>9a</b>	Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19 . . . . . <b>a</b>					
Less: direct expenses . . . . . <b>b</b>							
Net income or (loss) from gaming activities . . ▶							
<b>10a</b>	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances . . . . . <b>a</b>						
	Less: cost of goods sold . . . . . <b>b</b>						
	Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory . . ▶						
Miscellaneous Revenue				<b>Business Code</b>			
<b>11a</b>	-----						
<b>b</b>	-----						
<b>c</b>	-----						
<b>d</b>	All other revenue . . . . .			-0-			
<b>e</b>	<b>Total.</b> Add lines 11a-11d . . . . . ▶						
<b>12</b>	<b>Total revenue.</b> See instructions. . . . . ▶			48,128			

**Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses**

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A).

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

**Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.**

	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
<b>1</b> Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21 . . .	75,170	75,170		
<b>2</b> Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22 . . . . .				
<b>3</b> Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16 . . . . .				
<b>4</b> Benefits paid to or for members . . . . .				
<b>5</b> Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees . . . . .				
<b>6</b> Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) . . . . .				
<b>7</b> Other salaries and wages . . . . .				
<b>8</b> Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)				
<b>9</b> Other employee benefits . . . . .				
<b>10</b> Payroll taxes . . . . .				
<b>11</b> Fees for services (non-employees):				
<b>a</b> Management . . . . .				
<b>b</b> Legal . . . . .				
<b>c</b> Accounting . . . . .				
<b>d</b> Lobbying . . . . .				
<b>e</b> Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
<b>f</b> Investment management fees . . . . .				
<b>g</b> Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O.) . . . . .				
<b>12</b> Advertising and promotion . . . . .	341	341		
<b>13</b> Office expenses . . . . .	203		203	
<b>14</b> Information technology . . . . .	178		178	
<b>15</b> Royalties . . . . .				
<b>16</b> Occupancy . . . . .	4,000		4,000	
<b>17</b> Travel . . . . .				
<b>18</b> Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
<b>19</b> Conferences, conventions, and meetings . . . . .	825	825		
<b>20</b> Interest . . . . .				
<b>21</b> Payments to affiliates . . . . .				
<b>22</b> Depreciation, depletion, and amortization . . . . .				
<b>23</b> Insurance . . . . .				
<b>24</b> Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
<b>a</b> Awards		719		
<b>b</b> Bank fees	51		16	35
<b>c</b> United fund application fee				275
<b>d</b> Corporate registration			75	
<b>e</b> All other expenses				
<b>25</b> <b>Total functional expenses.</b> Add lines 1 through 24e	81,837	77,055	4,473	310
<b>26</b> <b>Joint costs.</b> Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720) . . . . .				

**Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets**

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

<b>1</b>	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	<b>1</b>	
<b>2</b>	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	<b>2</b>	
<b>3</b>	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	<b>3</b>	
<b>4</b>	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	<b>4</b>	
<b>5</b>	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	<b>5</b>	
<b>6</b>	Donated services and use of facilities	<b>6</b>	
<b>7</b>	Investment expenses	<b>7</b>	
<b>8</b>	Prior period adjustments	<b>8</b>	
<b>9</b>	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	<b>9</b>	
<b>10</b>	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	<b>10</b>	

**Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting**

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

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O.		
<b>2a</b> Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? . . . If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		✓
<b>b</b> Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? . . . . . If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		✓
<b>c</b> If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.		
<b>3a</b> As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133? . . . . .		✓
<b>b</b> If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits.		