

Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

2012

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

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 (see instructions). 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.

A For the 2012 calendar year, or tax year beginning 09-01, 2012, and ending 08-31, 2013

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

C Name of organization: Western Cuyahoga Audubon Society. Number and street (or P.O. box, if mail is not delivered to street address): 4310 Bush Ave. City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4: Cleveland, OH 44109

D Employer identification number: 34-1522665. E Telephone number: (216) 741-2352. F Group Exemption Number

G Accounting Method: [X] Cash [] Accrual Other (specify)

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

I Website: www.wcasohio.org

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

K Check [X] if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization or 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 \$ 22,100

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 [X]

Table with 3 main sections: Revenue (lines 1-9), Expenses (lines 10-17), and Net Assets (lines 18-21). Includes sub-rows for detailed revenue and expense categories.

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	13,730	22	24,863
23 Land and buildings	0	23	0
24 Other assets (describe in Schedule O)	0	24	0
25 Total assets	13,730	25	24,863
26 Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O)	0	26	0
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	13,730	27	24,863

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? Environment Education

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.)

28 Newsletter, Brochures, website to increase member involvement in activities of chapter. (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	28a	4,118
29 Conservation projects to promote habitat for birds. (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	29a	2,756
30 Programs, field trips and outreach to educate the public about nature and the environment. (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	30a	2,293
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	9,167

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 (Form 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
Tom Romito President	2	0	0	0
Mary Anne Romito Director	2	0	0	0
Kit Birch Director	1	0	0	0
Nancy Howell Treasurer	2	0	0	0
Elizabeth Clingman Director	1	0	0	0
Stan Searles Director	1	0	0	0
Penny OConnor Secretary	2	0	0	0
Nora Ebie Vice President	2	0	0	0
Barry Wolfe Director	1	0	0	0
Kurt Miske Director	2	0	0	0
Mark Hofelich Director	1	0	0	0
Suzanne Aldrich Director	1	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 Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V

Form 990-EZ (2012) Part V Other Information. Questions 33-45b regarding significant activities, changes, income, and tax shelter transactions. Includes a table with 'Yes' and 'No' columns for each question.

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

	Yes	No
46		X

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

	Yes	No
47		X
48		X
49a		X
49b		

47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II

48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E

49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?

b 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
NONE				

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."

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

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.

Sign Here

Thomas M Romito
Signature of officer _____ Date _____

Thomas M Romito, President
Type or print name and title _____

Paid Preparer Use Only

Print/Type preparer's name Mary Anne Romito	Preparer's signature _____	Date 11-16-2013	Check <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN P00024817
Firm's name Mary Anne Romito, EA	Firm's address 4310 Bush Ave Cleveland OH 44109		Firm's EIN _____	
			Phone no. 216-741-2352	

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

**IRS e-file Signature Authorization
for an Exempt Organization**

For calendar year 2012, or fiscal year beginning 09-01-2012, and ending 08-31-2013

2012

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

▶ **Do not send to the IRS. Keep for your records.**

Name of exempt organization

Western Cuyahoga Audubon Society

Employer identification number

34-1522665

Name and title of officer

Thomas M Romito, President

Part I Type of Return and Return Information (Whole Dollars Only)

Check the box for the return for which you are using this Form 8879-EO and enter the applicable amount, if any, from the return. If you check the box on line **1a, 2a, 3a, 4a, or 5a**, below, and the amount on that line for the return being filed with this form was blank, then leave line **1b, 2b, 3b, 4b, or 5b**, whichever is applicable, blank (do not enter -0-). But, if you entered -0- on the return, then enter -0- on the applicable line below. **Do not** complete more than 1 line in Part I.

1a Form 990 check here	▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	b Total revenue , if any (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	.....	1b	
2a Form 990-EZ check here	▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	b Total revenue , if any (Form 990-EZ, line 9)	.....	2b	<u>22,100</u>
3a Form 1120-POL check here	▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	b Total tax (Form 1120-POL, line 22)	.....	3b	
4a Form 990-PF check here	▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	b Tax based on investment income (Form 990-PF, Part VI, line 5)	.....	4b	
5a Form 8868 check here	▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	b Balance Due (Form 8868, Part I, line 3c or Part II, line 8c)	.....	5b	

Part II Declaration and Signature Authorization of Officer

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I am an officer of the above organization and that I have examined a copy of the organization's 2012 electronic return and accompanying schedules and statements and to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are true, correct, and complete. I further declare that the amount in Part I above is the amount shown on the copy of the organization's electronic return. I consent to allow my intermediate service provider, transmitter, or electronic return originator (ERO) to send the organization's return to the IRS and to receive from the IRS (a) an acknowledgement of receipt or reason for rejection of the transmission, (b) the reason for any delay in processing the return or refund, and (c) the date of any refund. If applicable, I authorize the U.S. Treasury and its designated Financial Agent to initiate an electronic funds withdrawal (direct debit) entry to the financial institution account indicated in the tax preparation software for payment of the organization's federal taxes owed on this return and the financial institution to debit the entry to this account. To revoke a payment, I must contact the U.S. Treasury Financial Agent at 1-888-353-4537 no later than 2 business days prior to the payment (settlement) date. I also authorize the financial institutions involved in the processing of the electronic payment of taxes to receive confidential information necessary to answer inquiries and resolve issues related to the payment. I have selected a personal identification number (PIN) as my signature for the organization's electronic return and, if applicable, the organization's consent to electronic funds withdrawal.

Officer's PIN: check one box only

I authorize Mary Anne Romito to enter my PIN 44109 as my signature
ERO firm name Enter five numbers, but do not enter all zeros

on the organization's tax year 2012 electronically filed return. If I have indicated within this return that a copy of the return is being filed with a state agency(ies) regulating charities as part of the IRS Fed/State program, I also authorize the aforementioned ERO to enter my PIN on the return's disclosure consent screen.

As an officer of the organization, I will enter my PIN as my signature on the organization's tax year 2012 electronically filed return. If I have indicated within this return that a copy of the return is being filed with a state agency(ies) regulating charities as part of the IRS Fed/State program, I will enter my PIN on the return's disclosure consent screen.

Officer's signature ▶

Date ▶ 11-16-2013

Part III Certification and Authentication

ERO's EFIN/PIN. Enter your six-digit electronic filing identification number (EFIN) followed by your five-digit self-selected PIN.

343565 44444
do not enter all zeros

I certify that the above numeric entry is my PIN, which is my signature on the 2012 electronically filed return for the organization indicated above. I confirm that I am submitting this return in accordance with the requirements of **Pub. 4163**, Modernized e-File (MeF) Information for Authorized IRS e-file Providers for Business Returns.

ERO's signature ▶ Mary Anne Romito

Date ▶ 11-16-2013

**ERO Must Retain This Form - See Instructions
Do Not Submit This Form To the IRS Unless Requested To Do So**

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see instructions.

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.

OMB No. 1545-0047

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Name of the organization

Western Cuyahoga Audubon Society

Employer identification number

34-1522665

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?
 - (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
11g(i)		
11g(ii)		
11g(iii)		

(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	
(A)									
(B)									
(C)									
(D)									
(E)									
Total									

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990 or 990-EZ.

Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2012

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

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2008, (b) 2009, (c) 2010, (d) 2011, (e) 2012, (f) Total. Rows include: 1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received; 2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit; 3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit; 4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3; 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); 6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.

Section B. Total Support

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2008, (b) 2009, (c) 2010, (d) 2011, (e) 2012, (f) Total. Rows include: 7 Amounts from line 4; 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; 12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions); 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.

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

Table with 3 columns: Description, Line Number, Percentage. Rows include: 14 Public support percentage for 2012 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f)); 15 Public support percentage from 2011 Schedule A, Part II, line 14; 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; 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; 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; 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; 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.

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

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2008, (b) 2009, (c) 2010, (d) 2011, (e) 2012, (f) Total. Rows include: 1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received; 2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed; 3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or bus. under sec 513; 4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit; 5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit; 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; c Add lines 7a and 7b; 8 Public support (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)

Section B. Total Support

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2008, (b) 2009, (c) 2010, (d) 2011, (e) 2012, (f) Total. Rows include: 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; 12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets; 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

Table with 3 columns: Line number, Description, and Percentage. Rows: 15 Public support percentage for 2012 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) 82.96%; 16 Public support percentage from 2011 Schedule A, Part III, line 15 80.46%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

Table with 3 columns: Line number, Description, and Percentage. Rows: 17 Investment income percentage for 2012 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) 0.00%; 18 Investment income percentage from 2011 Schedule A, Part III, line 17

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

Name(s) as shown on return

FEIN

Western Cuyahoga Audubon Society

34-1522665

Part 1 line 1

Description	Amount
Donations	\$ 2,786
National Audubon-Owen Davies	10,000
Annual Appeal, UltraWalk, coffee, Rockpile	4,238
Carbon Offset	333
Total:	\$ 17,357

Part 1 line 3

Description	Amount
Audubon Baseline Funding	\$ 2,583
Chapter Membership	2,160
Total:	\$ 4,743

Professional fees

Description	Amount
Tax Preparation	\$ 300
Strategic planning	1,500
Total:	\$ 1,800

Part 1 line 15

Description	Amount
Newsletter and postage	\$ 4,052
IBA Report	2,172
Total:	\$ 6,224

Part 3 line 28

Description	Amount
Website	\$ 66
Newsletters, letters, brochures	4,052
Total:	\$ 4,118

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Part 3 line 29

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Rocky River IBA project	\$ 2,172
Shade grown coffee	584
Total:	\$ 2,756

Part 3 line 30

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Meeting expenses	\$ 48
Speakers	700
office	110
liability insurance	400
donations to like organizations	1,035
Total:	\$ 2,293

