

# CHAR500

NYS Annual Filing for Charitable Organizations  
www.CharitiesNYS.com

Send with fee and attachments to:  
NYS Office of the Attorney General  
Charities Bureau Registration Section  
120 Broadway  
New York, NY 10271

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## 1. General Information

For Fiscal Year Beginning (mm/dd/yyyy) \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / **2014** and Ending (mm/dd/yyyy) \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Check if Applicable: <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"/> Reg ID Pending	Name of Organization:	Employer Identification Number (EIN):
	Mailing Address:	NY Registration Number: - -
	City / State / Zip:	Telephone:
	Website:	Email:

Check your organization's registration category:  7A only  EPTL only  DUAL (7A & EPTL)  EXEMPT

Find your registration category in the Charities Registry at [www.CharitiesNYS.com](http://www.CharitiesNYS.com)

## 2. Certification

See instructions for certification requirements. Improper certification is a violation of law that may be subject to penalties.

*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.*

President or Authorized Officer: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name and Title \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Chief Financial Officer or Treasurer: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name and Title \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## 3. Annual Reporting Exemption

Check the exemption(s) that apply to your filing. If your organization is claiming an exemption under the category (7A and EPTL only filers) or both categories (DUAL filers) that apply to your registration, complete only parts 1, 2, and 3, and submit the certified Char500. No fee, schedules, or additional attachments are required. If you cannot claim an exemption or are a DUAL filer that claims only one exemption, you must file applicable schedules and attachments and pay applicable fees.

- 3a. 7A filing exemption:** Total contributions from NY State including residents, foundations, 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 the fiscal year. Or the organization qualifies for another 7A exemption (see instructions).
- 3b. EPTL filing exemption:** Gross receipts did not exceed \$25,000 and the market value of assets did not exceed \$25,000 at any time during the fiscal year.

## 4. Schedules and Attachments

See the following page for a checklist of schedules and attachments to complete your filing.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	4a. Did your organization use a professional fund raiser, fund raising counsel or commercial co-venturer for fund raising activity in NY State? If yes, complete Schedule 4a.
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	4b. Did the organization receive government grants? If yes, complete Schedule 4b.

## 5. Fee

See the checklist on the next page to calculate your fee(s). Indicate fee(s) you are submitting here:	7A filing fee: \$ _____	EPTL filing fee: \$ _____	Total fee: \$ _____	Make a single check or money order payable to: <b>"Department of Law"</b>
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## Annual Filing Checklist

Simply submit the certified CHAR500 with no fee, schedule, or additional attachments IF:

- Your organization is registered as 7A only and you marked the 7A filing exemption in Part 3.
- Your organization is registered as EPTL only and you marked the EPTL filing exemption in Part 3.
- Your organization is registered as DUAL and you marked both the 7A and EPTL filing exemption in Part 3.

### Checklist of Schedules and Attachments

Check the schedules you must submit with your CHAR500 as described in Part 4:

- If you answered "yes" in Part 4a, submit Schedule 4a: Professional Fund Raisers (PFR), Fund Raising Counsel (FRC), Commercial Co-Venturers (CCV)
- If you answered "yes" in Part 4b, submit Schedule 4b: Government Grants

Check the financial attachments you must submit with your CHAR500:

- IRS Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF, and 990-T if applicable
- All additional IRS Form 990 Schedules including Schedule B (Schedule of Contributors).
- IRS Form 990-T if applicable

If you are a 7A only or DUAL filer, submit the applicable independent Certified Public Accountant's Review or Audit Report:

- Review Report if you received total revenue and support greater than \$250,000 and up to \$500,000.
- Audit Report if you received total revenue and support greater than \$500,000
- No Review Report or Audit Report is required because total revenue and support is less than \$250,000

Note: The Audit and Review requirements are set to change in 2017 and 2021 in accordance with the Non Profit Revitalization Act of 2013.

For more details, visit [www.CharitiesNYS.com](http://www.CharitiesNYS.com).

### Calculate Your Fee

For 7A and DUAL filers, calculate the 7A fee:

- \$0, if you marked the 7A exemption in Part 3a
- \$25, if you did not mark the 7A exemption in Part 3a

For EPTL and DUAL filers, calculate the EPTL fee:

- \$0, if you marked the EPTL exemption in Part 3b
- \$25, if the NET WORTH is less than \$50,000
- \$50, if the NET WORTH is \$50,000 or more but less than \$250,000
- \$100, if the NET WORTH is \$250,000 or more but less than \$1,000,000
- \$250, if the NET WORTH is \$1,000,000 or more but less than \$10,000,000
- \$750, if the NET WORTH is \$10,000,000 or more but less than \$50,000,000
- \$1500, if the NET WORTH is \$50,000,000 or more

*Is my organization a 7A, EPTL or DUAL filer?*

- 7A filers are registered to solicit contributions in New York under Article 7-A of the Executive Law ("7A")
- EPTL filers are registered under the Estates, Powers & Trusts Law ("EPTL") because they hold assets and/or conduct activities for charitable purposes in NY.
- DUAL filers are registered under both 7A and EPTL.

Check your registration category and learn more about NY law at [www.CharitiesNYS.com](http://www.CharitiesNYS.com)

*Where do I find my organization's NET WORTH?*

NET WORTH for fee purposes is calculated on:

- IRS Form 990 Part I, line 22
- IRS Form 990 EZ Part I line 21
- IRS Form 990 PF, calculate the difference between Total Assets at Fair Market Value (Part II, line 16(c)) and Total Liabilities (Part II, line 23(b)).

### Send Your Filing

Send your CHAR500, all schedules and attachments, and total fee to:

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Charities Bureau Registration Section  
120 Broadway  
New York, NY 10271

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Instructions for Completing Your NY Annual Filing  
[www.CharitiesNYS.com](http://www.CharitiesNYS.com)

## Need Assistance?

Visit: [www.CharitiesNYS.com](http://www.CharitiesNYS.com)  
Call: (212) 416-8401  
Email: [Charities.Bureau@ag.ny.gov](mailto:Charities.Bureau@ag.ny.gov)

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## Open to Public Inspection

## Before You Begin

Visit [www.CharitiesNYS.com](http://www.CharitiesNYS.com) and search the Charities Registry to find your organization's NY State Registration Number (##-##-##) and Registration Category (7A, EPTL, DUAL, EXEMPT). Knowing your organization's Registration Category will help you respond to Sections 1 and 3, determine the required attachments to the CHAR500 and calculate your filing fee. EXEMPT organizations are exempt from registration and not required to file with the NY Charities Bureau. If your organization is not registered with the Charities Bureau, please complete CHAR410 "Registration Statement for Charitable Organizations".

## 1. General Information

Enter the accounting period covered by the report. Provide the best contact information for your organization. This information will be publicly available in the Charities Registry and will be used for communication to your organization. If your organization is registered and this is your regular annual filing, check *Initial Filing*. If your contact information needs to be updated, check *Address Change* and/or *Name Change*. Check *Amended Filing* if you are making a change to a previous filing. If you have submitted a CHAR410 - "Registration Statement for Charitable Organizations" - but do not yet have a NY State Registration Number, check *NY Reg Pending*. If this is a final filing and the organization is seeking dissolution or ceasing operations, check *Final Filing* and submit all applicable IRS schedules and attachments. If your organization is a NY corporation, visit [www.CharitiesNYS.com](http://www.CharitiesNYS.com) for information on how to dissolve. Check the registration category of your organization (7A, EPTL, DUAL or EXEMPT).

## 2. Certification

When you have completed the form, sign and print the name, title and date. For 7A and DUAL filers, the CHAR500 must be signed by both the president or another authorized officer and the chief financial officer or treasurer. These must be different individuals. EPTL filers have the option of a single signature if the certification is by a banking institution or a trustee of a trust. Clearly state the title of the representative (e.g. "President," "CEO", "Treasurer," "CFO," "Bank Vice President" or "Trustee").

## 3. Annual Reporting Exemption

You may claim an exemption from the reporting and fee requirements if you meet the filing exemptions applicable to your organization. If claiming an exemption under one statute (7A and EPTL only filers) or both statutes (DUAL filers) that apply to your registration, complete only parts 1, 2, and 3, and submit the certified Char500. No fee, schedule, or additional attachments are required. Otherwise, file all required schedules and attachments and pay applicable fees.

Note: A 7A or DUAL filer with contributions over \$25,000 that did not contract with a professional fund raiser may check the 7A filing exemption if it (i) received all or substantially all of its contributions from a single government agency to which it submitted an annual report similar to that required by Executive Law Article 7A, or (ii) it received an allocation from a federated fund, United Way or incorporated community appeal and contributions from all other sources did not exceed \$25,000.

## 4. Schedules and Attachments

If you do not qualify for the reporting exemption as described in Part 3, review the checklist of schedules and attachments required to complete your filing. If your organization qualified for and submitted an IRS 990-N "e-Postcard", you must complete and submit a 990EZ to the NY Charities Bureau for reporting purposes. The NY Charities Bureau will not accept an IRS 990-N "e-postcard". Also, be aware that CPA audit requirements for 7A and DUAL filers are set to change again in 2017 and 2021 in accordance with the Nonprofit Revitalization Act of 2013.

## 5. Fee

Your total fee is based on your registration category (7A, EPTL or DUAL). 7A or EPTL filers only pay the fee that applies to the statute under which they have registered unless they have claimed an exemption in Part 3. DUAL filers must pay both fees, unless they have claimed an exemption in Part 3. Consult the CHAR500 to calculate your fee or contact the NY Charities Bureau if you have additional questions.

## When to Submit Your Filing

7A and DUAL filers: postmarked within 4 1/2 months after the organization's accounting period ends. For example, fiscal year end December 31 reports are due by May 15th of the following year. EPTL filers: postmarked within 6 months after the organization's accounting period ends. A filer may request an extension of time to file of up to 180 days. [Instructions for requesting an extension](#) are available at [www.CharitiesNYS.com](http://www.CharitiesNYS.com).

## Where to Submit Your Filing

Payment must be made to the "Department of Law". Send the complete filing with payment to:  
**NYS Office of the Attorney General, Charities Bureau Registration Section, 120 Broadway, New York, NY 10271.**

## Penalties

The Attorney General may cancel the registration of or seek civil penalties from an organization that fails to comply with the filing requirements.

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Schedule 4a: Professional Fund Raisers, Fund Raising Counsels, Commercial Co-Venturers  
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If you checked the box in question 4a in Part 4 on the CHAR500 Annual Filing for Charitable Organizations, complete this schedule for EACH Professional Fund Raiser (PFR), Fund Raising Counsel (FRC) or Commercial Co-Venturer (CCV) that the organization engaged for fund raising activity in NY State. Use additional pages if necessary. Include this schedule with your certified CHAR500 NYS Annual Filing for Charitable Organizations.

## 1. Organization Information

Name of Organization:	NY Registration Number: - -
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## 2. Professional Fund Raiser, Fund Raising Counsel, Commercial Co-Venturer Information

<input type="checkbox"/> Professional Fund Raiser <input type="checkbox"/> Fund Raising Counsel <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial Co-Venturer	Name of FRP:	NY Registration Number: - -
	Mailing Address:	Telephone:
	City / State / Zip:	

## 3. Contract Information

Contract Start Date:	Contract End Date:
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## 4. Description of Services

Services provided by FRP:

## 5. Description of Compensation

Compensation arrangement with FRP:	Amount Paid to FRP:
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## 6. Commercial Co-Venturer (CCV) Report

Yes  No If services were provided by a CCV, did the CCV provide the charitable organization with the interim or closing report(s) required by Section 173(a) part 3 of the Executive Law Article 7A?

## Definitions

A **Professional Fund Raiser (PFR)**, in addition to other activities, conducts solicitation of contributions and/or handles the donations (Article 7A, 171-a.4).  
A **Fund Raising Counsel (FRC)** does not solicit or handle contributions but limits activities to advising or assisting a charitable organization to perform such functions for itself (Article 7A, 171-a.9).  
A **Commercial Co-Venturer (CCV)** is an individual or for-profit company that is regularly and primarily engaged in trade or commerce other than raising funds for a charitable organization and who advertises that the purchase or use of goods, services, entertainment or any other thing of value will benefit a charitable organization (Article 7A, 171-a.6).

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Schedule 4b: Government Grants  
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If you checked the box in question 4b in Part 4 on the CHAR500 Annual Filing for Charitable Organizations, complete this schedule and list EACH government grant. Use additional pages if necessary. Include this schedule with your certified CHAR500 NYS Annual Filing for Charitable Organizations.

## 1. Organization Information

Name of Organization:	NY Registration Number: - -
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## 2. Government Grants

Name of Government Agency	Amount of Grant
1.	1.
2.	2.
3.	3.
4.	4.
5.	5.
6.	6.
7.	7.
8.	8.
9.	9.
10.	10.
11.	11.
12.	12.
13.	13.
14.	14.
15.	15.
Total Government Grants:	Total: