

Form 990-EZ

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 and controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990. All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$500,000 and total assets less than \$1,250,000 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.

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

A For the 2009 calendar year, or tax year beginning January 1, 2009, and ending December 31, 2009

B Check if applicable: Address change, Name change, Initial return, Terminated, Amended return, Application pending. C Name of organization: Great Vest Side Club of Chicago. D Employer identification number: 30-0266773. E Telephone number: 773-486-1784. F Group Exemption Number: N/A.

Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).

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

I Website: www.greatvestside.org

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

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

K Check [] if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization and its gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000. A Form 990-EZ or Form 990 return is not required, but if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return.

L Add lines 5b, 6b, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts; if \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ \$ 89,334

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 breakdowns.

Part II Balance Sheets. If Total assets on line 25, column (B) are \$1,250,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ.

Table for Part II Balance Sheets with columns (A) Beginning of year and (B) End of year. Rows include Cash, Land and buildings, Other assets, Total assets, Total liabilities, and Net assets or fund balances.

Part V Other Information (Note the statement requirements in the instructions for Part V.)

		Yes	No
33	Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity		✓
34	Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes	✓	
35	If the organization had income from business activities, such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a (among others), but not reported on Form 990-T, attach a statement explaining why the organization did not report the income on Form 990-T.		
a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more or was it subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements?		✓
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?		
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 _____		
b	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 period covered by this return?		✓
b	If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved 38b _____		
39	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 39a _____		
b	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities 39b _____		
40a	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 ▶ _____ ; section 4912 ▶ _____ ; section 4955 ▶ _____		
b	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or is it aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		✓
c	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 ▶ _____		
d	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization ▶ _____		
e	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. ▶ Illinois		
42a	The organization's books are in care of ▶ Jerome H. Lipman, Treasurer Telephone no. ▶ 312-341-0100 Located at ▶ 125 South Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois ZIP + 4 ▶ 60606-4477		
b	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)?		✓
	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ _____ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts .		
c	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U.S.?		✓
	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ _____		
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 _____ <input type="checkbox"/>		
44	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		✓
45	Is any related organization a controlled entity of the organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		✓

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts only. All section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must answer questions 46-49b and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

- | | Yes | No |
|--|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 46 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
- 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 address of each employee paid more than \$100,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
No compensation paid- all volunteers				

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000 **None**

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 **None**

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

Signature of officer _____ Date _____
Jerome H. Lipman, Treasurer
 Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer's Use Only

Preparer's signature _____ Date _____ Check if self-employed Preparer's identifying number (See instructions) **PO0472157**
 Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4 **Jack J. Esses** EIN _____
440 South LaSalle St. Suite 2950 Chicago, IL 60605 Phone no. **312-663-6127**

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

Great Vest Side Club of Chicago
Ein:30-0266773
Attachment to Form 990-EZ

**PART I-Line 10 Grants and Similar Amounts Paid
And
Part III-Lines 28 to 31 Statement of Program Service Accomplishments**

Line No	Charitable contributions or gifts have been made to the following 501[c][3] organizations:	Current tax year
28-31	ARMDI (American Friends of Magen David Adom) One East Wacker Drive Suite 2224 Chicago, Illinois 60601	43,025
28-31	Friends of the Israel Defense Forces 29 East Madison Street Chicago, Illinois 60602	4,000
10 & 32	Total	<u><u>47,025</u></u>

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PART III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Membership in the Great Vest Side Club of Chicago ("GVS") is open to the public of people who were born between approximately 1922 and 1942 and grew up on the West Side of Chicago, particularly Lawndale.

GVS derives its revenues from banquets sponsored twice a year that is attended by its members and on occasion other invitees for the purpose of raising money for the benefit of various approved 501(c)(3) charities.

The Board of Directors consider and approve all gifts to charities. However the principal beneficiary of these gifts has been and will continue to be the "American Friends of Mogen David Adom" or "ARMDI". ARMDI is an approved 501(c)(3) non-profit organization which serves as the state of Israel's emergency medical, disaster, ambulance, blood and healthcare network. Gifts to ARMDI by the GVS have been used primarily to fund the purchase of ambulances for use in Israel.

Other approved 501(c)(3) organizations that have received gifts from the GVS include [1] "Friends of the Israel Defense Forces" which provides educational scholarships to students who are former soldiers of the Israel Defense Forces. Recipients of the scholarship are selected by an International Grant Committee, [2] "Holocaust Memorial Museum" which is dedicated to preserving the memory of Jewish victims of the Nazi mass murders before and during World War II and documenting the same for history [3] Prostate Cancer, [4] Juvenile Diabetes, [5] Leukemia Research, [6] Children's Camp for Cancer, [7] Multiple Sclerosis, and [8] Tourett's Syndrome.

All GVS activities are conducted in the Chicago Metropolitan Area and its suburbs. All of the time of the GVS is allocated or devoted to its charitable purposes and its sole source of funding are the semi-annual banquets. All directors and officers are volunteers and serve without any remuneration or compensation.