

- Part I
  - Question 8
 

Answer was No, current answer is Yes, Kathryn Burlison of SmartSpot, 3520 W 75th St. Suite 101, Prairie Village, KS 66208 was paid \$250 for preparing our 2011 990-EZ, and a patron paid an unknown amount for an hour consultation with Holly Schadler of Trister, Ross, Schadler & Gold, PLLC, 1666 Connecticut Ave. NW, Suite 500, Washington, DC 20009.
  - Question 9
    - \* Part A  
thefnf.org
    - \* Part B  
contact@thefnf.org

- Part IV
 

The Free Network Foundation is a research and education consortium that exists in order to teach the public about computer networks. It is our firm belief that our charitable, scientific, and educational activities qualify us to receive a tax exemption under section 501c(3) of the tax code. Through public outreach, private instruction, open documentation, and research, we aim to help communities and individuals become better informed and more self-reliant with regard to telecommunications. Over the last two years, we have worked with partner organizations to help bridge the digital divide by bringing connectivity to low-income housing, contributed to significant advances in network technology, started an intensive computer education program for urban youth, engaged in one-on-one tutoring with a number of aspiring network operators, and spread a message of economic self-reliance and technological possibility that has been heard around the world. In Kansas City, where we are headquartered, we have helped build a coalition of 501c(3)'s including Connecting for Good, Inc. and The Mutual Musician's Foundation, Inc. and government entities including the Kansas City, Kansas Public Housing Authority and The Kansas City Missouri Public School District that, all told, has brought more than 1,000 people online in low-income housing, many for the first time. We are working now to aid in the expansion of this network by continuing to provide tools and know-how to the network operators. We project that the Kansas City Free Network will have more than 2,000 beneficiaries by the end of the summer. In our efforts to improve the tools that are at the disposal of those that wish to do this pioneering and charitable work, we have collaborated with groups such as the New America Foundation's Open Technology Initiative, The Detroit Digital Justice Coalition, and others. Our research has helped to make the Kansas City Free Network possible, and stands to shrink the barriers to community networking even further in the coming months and years. We've taken a small group of youth that

would otherwise have had scant opportunity to learn advanced computing, and introduced them to the ideas of Turing, Von Neumann, Shannon, and the other heroes of the digital realm. We're continuing to develop our youth education programs, and are already enrolling for our next classes, which will begin after the current 12-week term is complete. Our students have built community infrastructure in more than half a dozen cities around the country, and continue to develop and practice their craft. It is these pioneers who will ensure that no one is left behind as we move further and further into the information age. With experience, we are becoming better educators, and our pupils are beginning to teach a whole new wave of practitioners. We've had the opportunity to speak at numerous high-profile conferences and gatherings, and have introduced the idea of free networks to many people both inside and outside of the technology sphere. At our core, we want to make sure that a force for education and opportunity as powerful as the Internet is available to everyone. We are working to achieve that end in a number of ways, and think we have made significant progress over the past two years, even without tax exempt status. We know that if we are granted a tax exemption we will be able to bring about a profound and lasting social good.

- Part V
  - Question 1  
Answered in Question 2 of 8 July 2013 letter, no individual receives compensation.
  - Question 2a  
Yes, CTO Charles Wyble and Director Patti Wyble are husband and wife.
  - Question 3a
    - \* Isaac Wilder studied philosophy and computer science at Grinnell College, and in two years at the helm of the Free Network Foundation, has become a nationally known thinker on issues of network architecture and policy. He works 40-60 hours/week for the Foundation. He receives no compensation.
    - \* Charles Wyble has more than a dozen years experience as a systems and network engineer, and has served as a senior engineer at a number of major firms. He works 10-20 hours/week for the foundation. He receives no compensation.
    - \* Tyrone Greenfield studied History at Grinnell College, and works 30-40 hours/week for the foundation. He receives no compensation.
    - \* James Yox is a professional software engineer, and works 5-15 hours/week for the foundation. He receives no compensation.
    - \* Patti Wyble is a professional educator, and works 5 hours/month

for the foundation. She receives no compensation.

\* Gregory Foster is a professional software engineer and respected privacy advocate, and works 5 hours/month for the foundation. He receives no compensation.

\* Martin Dluhos is a professional software and systems engineer, and works 5 hours/month for the foundation. He receives no compensation.

\* Clint Wynn is an expert on Human Computer Interaction and former Apple Genius, and works 5-10 hours/week for the foundation. He receives no compensation.

- Part VI

- Question 1

- \* Part A

- Yes, we provide educational services to individuals, as detailed in our response to question six, above.

- \* Part B

- Yes, we provide education services to individuals, as detailed in our response to question six, above.

- Part VIII

- Question 4a

- We engage in Foundation Grant solicitations, by applying for pertinent and available grant programs, and we engage in personal solicitation through meetings with potential benefactors.

- Part X

- Part H

- No.

- Part I

- Yes.