

Dear Governor Abbott,

My name is Cindy Gaskill. I am a **Republican Delegate** from Montgomery County, Texas.

Please **VETO HB 547** (aka the Tim Tebow bill). Although the bill is permissive from the Home School student's perspective, it is NOT PERMISSIVE for the public-school STUDENT who has been working toward achievement in UIL sanctioned sports. In other words, the public-school student has no say if a home school student who is not in his school community takes his/her position on a team. Furthermore, most public-school students do not have the financial means to attend private school as a sports alternative.

I am going to use the example of Baseball as the UIL activity because it has the fewest spots available (about 12 per team), and it is the activity with which our family is most familiar.

Home school students have other options for sports, and they have already opted out of Public School by choice.

INCONSISTENT RULES FOR HOMESCHOOL VS. PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS:

- *Shouldn't all Team Members have equal requirements to play/participate?*
- ***Separate but equal** has been tried before with disastrous consequences and it is not fair to either group.*
- ***HB 547 is a SEPARATE BUT UNEQUAL piece of legislation.***
- *The Chart below details how differently and unfairly the Public-School Student and the Home School Student will be treated as far as eligibility.*

		Public School Student	Home School Student
Education Code, Title 2, Subtitle F, Ch 38, Subchapter D			
	33.081	Student must have 70/100 grades on all schoolwork. Grades are checked every six weeks.	No grade check by independent party; parents give their word the student is passing.
	33.0811	Students with too many absences are disqualified	Not possible to be absent from home school.
	33.091	Students are subject to random drug testing for steroid use	??? Unknown
University Interscholastic League (UIL) Constitution & Rules			
	400 (d)	Must be in compliance with State Board of Education Requirements	HB 547 ensures no oversight from State Board of Education.
	400 (g)	Must be enrolled in 9 th grade not more than 4 years ago; 10 th grade 3 years ago	HB 547 has no mechanism to make sure the home school student follows grade progression.
	406	Must be a Full-Time Day Student enrolled in the required number of courses by state law.	No requirement or verification of coursework required.
	407	Regular attendance is required – no more than 10 absences allowed.	No requirement or verification required.
	411	Must have course credit requirements for eligibility by grade (5, 10, 15 credits)	No requirement or verification of coursework required.
	445	No Repeating Grades for Athletic Purposes – 7 th or 8 th graders held back lose year(s) of eligibility.	No way to verify if a home school student is held back for any reason.
	446	Age – must be less than 19 unless in special education as determined by an ARD or as a 504 student. Must provide documentation of special ed status.	No verification of special ed status in home school. Parents can claim whatever they want.
HB 547	(f)	No testing required.	Student must demonstrate grade-level academic proficiency on standardized national test; good for two full years.

UIL STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:

In the UIL Statement of Purpose (Attachment 1), you can clearly see the inherent conflict of UIL rules with HB 547.

The UIL Statement of Purpose says:

- “the CLASSROOM is enriched by the flow of student energy into the more intensified arena of competition and back into the classroom.” Home school students will not be a part of the “CLASSROOM.”
- “RULES, consistently applied, create order and discipline.” There will be a different set of rules for Home School students and a different set of RULES for Public School Students. Rules will not be consistently applied at all. In fact, RULES will be INCONSISTENT.
- Students will have an opportunity to “complement their CLASS WORK with practice and performance.” Public School students will have Class Work in the traditional sense affiliated with the school. Home school students may or may not have traditional class work and it surely will not be affiliated with the school.
- So has the PURPOSE of UIL now changed?? What is the new purpose? To be unfair with its rules?

FUNDING OF SPORTS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS:

- Parents of Home-schooled students argue they should be entitled to play sports in public schools because they already pay school taxes. They do pay taxes, but that does not mean the money they pay goes to the school due to the funding formula unique to Texas.
- Public schools receive money for maintenance and operations based on *average daily attendance of ENROLLED students*. This is sometimes known as “butts in seats.” Homeschooled kids will not be enrolled in school, so no extra money for coach salaries will go to the school if the extra kids are not enrolled.
- Fields and stadiums are usually paid with school bonds. These facilities are open to the public for use since they are paid by local bonds.
- Uniforms, field maintenance, upgrades, etc. are usually paid for by booster clubs. My older son went to The Woodlands High School. The Woodlands High School Baseball Booster club typically raises between \$130,000-\$160,000 per season to support the baseball season. The school only gives the program enough money to buy baseballs and that is it. See tax return from the Highlander Homerun Club for The Woodlands High School (Attachment 2). The pressure to raise money is intense and it is expected from the families in the baseball program.

UPHEAVAL OF THE UIL CONSTITUTION AND CONTEST RULES

- The UIL Constitution and Rules will have to be completely re-written to make provisions for the Home School student. https://www.uilTEXAS.org/files/policy/2020-21_full UIL Constitution.pdf
- The rules will be inconsistent and applied unfairly (Public-School Students are subject to more criteria than the Home-Schooled Student).
- The original purpose of UIL rules must change. This defeats the original reasons for the creation of UIL.

CLASSROOM PRACTICE – ENROLLED or NOT?

- Every UIL activity is also a class period (or two) at school during the day and sometimes this takes place in the middle of a school day.
- How is a home-schooled student who is NOT ENROLLED at the school going to attend this class which is a requirement to stay up with practice and/or rehearsal?

UIL SCHOOL CLASSIFICATION – 6A, 5A, 4A, etc.

- The Level of Competition is determined by the number of ENROLLED students at a school. Districts across Texas may or may not allow Home-schooled students to participate in UIL activities. Will there be a mechanism to “count” home-schooled students to ensure fairness?

EXCLUDED vs. OPTED OUT

- One Texas State Representative claimed Home-schooled students are “excluded” from UIL activities. Home-schooled families OPT-OUT of Public school by choice for various reasons by choice and their free will. They are not “excluded.” They can easily be “included” if they choose to enroll their students in the school. This is really the only way to be fair to all students who participate in UIL activities.

Thank you, Governor Abbott, for reading this letter. Students take great pride in their schools and those who attend and teach at a school become a community. Allowing students not enrolled in a public school to infiltrate UIL sports and activities could create resentment and disruption to the sense of a school pride and community. We must be fair to all students such that rules are applied consistently to all groups without discrimination.

PLEASE VETO HB 547.

Should you have questions, please reply by email or you can call me at 713-252-3027.

Sincerely,

Cindy K. Gaskill

Cindy Gaskill

Attachment 1 – UIL Statement of Purpose

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The University Interscholastic League believes

that most students enjoy the pursuit of excellence and seek opportunities to test themselves against their own accomplishments and those of their peers,

that such opportunities are best provided through properly conducted and equitably administered competitive activities,

that the classroom is enriched by the flow of student energy into the more intensified arena of competition and back into the classroom.

Therefore, we reaffirm that students are the focus of our endeavor and deserve an opportunity to:

refine physical and mental aptitudes,
nurture self-realization and build self-confidence,
feel a sense of pride and dignity,
experience teamwork and develop a sense of fair play,
develop the ability to lead and the willingness to follow,
foster self-discipline and perseverance,
appreciate that rules, consistently applied, create order and discipline,
learn to accept graciously the decisions of judges and officials,
affirm self-worth in times of disappointment as well as adulation,
cultivate lifetime skills,
complement their class work with practice and performance,
have fun,
experience the joy of achieving their potential in a wholesome environment and,
discover that ultimately the true meaning of winning is doing one's best.

UIL's current purpose relates to the SCHOOL CLASSROOM. A HOME-SCHOOL student does not participate in a classroom.

UIL rules will be inconsistently applied. Not equal.

Form **990-EZ**
 Department of the Treasury
 Internal Revenue Service

Short Form
Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax
 Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

▶ **Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.**
 ▶ **Information about Form 990-EZ and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990ez.**

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A For the 2017 calendar year, or tax year beginning 07-01-2017, and ending 06-30-2018

- B** Check if applicable
 Address change
 Name change
 Initial return
 Final return/terminated
 Amended return
 Application pending

C Name of organization
 HIGHLANDER HOME RUN CLUB

Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
 6101 RESEARCH FOREST DR

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
 THE WOODLANDS, TX 77381

D Employer identification number
 76-0574152

E Telephone number

F Group Exemption Number ▶

G Accounting Method Cash Accrual Other (specify) ▶

I Website: ▶

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

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

K Form of organization Corporation Trust Association Other BOOSTER CLUB

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, column (B) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ. ▶ \$ 138,468

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.

Revenue		Expenses		Net Assets	
1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)
2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	11	Benefits paid to or for members	19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)
3	Membership dues and assessments	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)
4	Investment income	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20
5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance		
5b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping		
5c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	16	Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)		
6	Gaming and fundraising events	17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16		
6a	Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)				
6b	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000)				
6c	Less direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events				
6d	Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)				
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances				
7b	Less cost of goods sold				
7c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)				
8	Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)				
9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8				

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	43,332	22	34,245
23 Land and buildings	0	23	0
24 Other assets (describe in Schedule O)	0	24	0
25 Total assets	43,332	25	34,245
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)	43,332	27	34,245

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?
ENHANCEMENT AND SUPPORT OF THE HHRC

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, optional for others)

28 See Additional Data Table

(Grants \$)	If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	28a	
29		29a	
(Grants \$)	If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>		
30		30a	
(Grants \$)	If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>		
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	0

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 (Forms 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
RON EASTMAN	40 00	0	0	0
HEAD COACH				
NICK WOLDA	20 00	0	0	0
PRESIDENT				
BILL SUNSERI	20 00	0	0	0
VICE PRESIDENT				
MARIA PEREZ	20 00	0	0	0
TREASURER				
LISA BEARD	10 00	0	0	0
SECRETARY				

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

Table with columns for question number, question text, and Yes/No response columns. Rows include questions 33 through 45b regarding organizational activities, financials, and compliance.

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 46 No

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

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 47 No
48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E 48 No
49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? 49a No
b If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization? 49b

Table with 5 columns: (a) Name and title of each employee, (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. Row 1: 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 "

Table with 3 columns: (a) Name and business address of each independent contractor, (b) Type of service, (c) Compensation. Row 1: 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 must attach a completed Schedule A [X] 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 ***** Signature of officer 2018-08-09 Date
BILL SUNSERI VICE PRESIDENT Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer Use Only Print/Type preparer's name MICHAEL CAMERON CPA Preparer's signature Date 2018-08-13 Check [] if self-employed PTIN P01312459
Firm's name CROWL & ASSOCIATES PLLC Firm's EIN 73-1664876
Firm's address 2245 LOOP 336 W STE G Conroe, TX 77304 Phone no (936) 539-2133

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions [X] Yes [] No

Additional Data

Software ID:

Software Version:

EIN: 76-0574152

Name: HIGHLANDER HOME RUN CLUB

Form 990EZ, Part III - Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

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; optional for others.)	
<p>28 HHRC IS A 501C3 ORG PERFORMING 100 OF ITS SERVICES IN SUPPORT OF THE WOODLANDS HIGH BASEBALL TEAM HHRC'S PURPOSE IS TO RAISE FUNDS TO SUPPORT FIELD IMPROVEMENTS AND TRAINING (Grants \$)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">If this amount includes foreign grants, check here . . . <input type="checkbox"/></p>	28a	

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990EZ)

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.
▶ Information about Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
HIGHLANDER HOME RUN CLUB

Employer identification number
76-0574152

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 12, 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 (Form 990 or 990-EZ))
- 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 agricultural research organization described in **170(b)(1)(A)(ix)** operated in conjunction with a land-grant college or university or a non-land grant college of agriculture See instructions Enter the name, city, and state of the college or university _____
- 10 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)
- 11 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety See **section 509(a)(4)**.
- 12 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 in lines 12a through 12d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 12e, 12f, and 12g
 - a **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
 - b **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s) **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
 - c **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions) **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
 - d **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions) **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
 - e Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization
 - f Enter the number of supported organizations 1
 - g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s)

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1- 10 above (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
(A) THE WOODLANDS HIGH	170902003	9	Yes		0	0
Total	1					0

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv), 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), and 170(b)(1)(A)(ix)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, 8, or 9 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

	Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2013	(b) 2014	(c) 2015	(d) 2016	(e) 2017	(f) Total
1	Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grant")						
2	Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3	The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
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

	Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a)2013	(b)2014	(c)2015	(d)2016	(e)2017	(f)Total
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 VI)						
11	Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						
12	Gross receipts from related activities, etc (see instructions)					12	

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

14	Public support percentage for 2017 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	
15	Public support percentage for 2016 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	

- 16a 33 1/3% support test—2017.** 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—2016.** 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—2017.** 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 VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ►
- b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2016.** 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 VI 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 10 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

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►		(a) 2013	(b) 2014	(c) 2015	(d) 2016	(e) 2017	(f) Total
1	Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2	Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3	Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4	Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5	The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
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 that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c	Add lines 7a and 7b						
8	Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6)						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►		(a) 2013	(b) 2014	(c) 2015	(d) 2016	(e) 2017	(f) Total
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, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12	Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
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

15	Public support percentage for 2017 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	
16	Public support percentage from 2016 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17	Investment income percentage for 2017 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	
18	Investment income percentage from 2016 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	

19a 33 1/3% support tests—2017. 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—2016. 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 ►

Part IV Supporting Organizations

(Complete only if you checked a box on line 12 of Part I. If you checked 12a of Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked 12b of Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked 12c of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked 12d of Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

		Yes	No
1	Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain.		
1		Yes	
2	Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).		No
2			No
3a	Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below.		No
3a			No
b	Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.		
3b			
c	Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.		
3c			
4a	Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? If "Yes" and if you checked 12a or 12b in Part I, answer (b) and (c) below.		No
4a			No
b	Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? If "Yes," describe in Part VI how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations.		
4b			
c	Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization used to ensure that all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes.		
4c			
5a	Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in Part VI , including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed, (ii) the reasons for each such action, (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action, and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document).		No
5a			No
b	Type I or Type II only. Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?		
5b			
c	Substitutions only. Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?		
5c			
6	Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (iii) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		No
6			No
7	Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).		No
7			No
8	Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described in line 7? If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).		No
8			No
9a	Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		No
9a			No
b	Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined in line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		No
9b			No
c	Did a disqualified person (as defined in line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		No
9c			No
10a	Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? If "Yes," answer line 10b below.		No
10a			No
b	Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)		
10b			

Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)

		Yes	No
11	Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?		
a	A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (b) and (c) below, the governing body of a supported organization?		
b	A family member of a person described in (a) above?		
c	A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (a) or (b) above? <i>If "Yes" to a, b, or c, provide detail in Part VI</i>		
		11a	No
		11b	No
		11c	No

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

		Yes	No
1	Did the directors, trustees, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's directors or trustees at all times during the tax year? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove directors or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.</i>		
2	Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised or controlled the supporting organization.</i>		
		1	Yes
		2	No

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

		Yes	No
1	Were a majority of the organization's directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors or trustees of each of the organization's supported organization(s)? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s).</i>		
		1	

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

		Yes	No
1	Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the organization's tax year, (i) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (ii) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (iii) copies of the organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided?		
2	Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected by the supported organization (s) or (ii) serving on the governing body of a supported organization? <i>If "No," explain in Part VI how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).</i>		
3	By reason of the relationship described in (2), did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice in the organization's investment policies and in directing the use of the organization's income or assets at all times during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.</i>		
		1	
		2	
		3	

Section E. Type III Functionally-Integrated Supporting Organizations

1	Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions)		
a	<input type="checkbox"/> The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete line 2 below.		
b	<input type="checkbox"/> The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete line 3 below.		
c	<input type="checkbox"/> The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in Part VI how you supported a government entity (see instructions).		
2	Activities Test Answer (a) and (b) below.		
a	Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? <i>If "Yes," then in Part VI identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.</i>		
b	Did the activities described in (a) constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.</i>		
3	Parent of Supported Organizations Answer (a) and (b) below.		
a	Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? <i>Provide details in Part VI.</i>		
b	Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs and activities of each of its supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard.</i>		
		2a	
		2b	
		3a	
		3b	

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations

- 1** Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying trust on Nov. 20, 1970 (explain in Part VI). **See instructions.** All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E.

Section A - Adjusted Net Income		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Net short-term capital gain	1	
2	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2	
3	Other gross income (see instructions)	3	
4	Add lines 1 through 3	4	
5	Depreciation and depletion	5	
6	Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	6	
7	Other expenses (see instructions)	7	
8	Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6 and 7 from line 4)	8	
Section B - Minimum Asset Amount		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year)	1	
a	Average monthly value of securities	1a	
b	Average monthly cash balances	1b	
c	Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c	
d	Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d	
e	Discount claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in Part VI)		
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt use assets	2	
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	
4	Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 1-1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	4	
5	Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5	
6	Multiply line 5 by .035	6	
7	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7	
8	Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6)	8	
Section C - Distributable Amount			Current Year
1	Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, Column A)	1	
2	Enter 85% of line 1	2	
3	Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, Column A)	3	
4	Enter greater of line 2 or line 3	4	
5	Income tax imposed in prior year	5	
6	Distributable Amount. Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions)	6	
7	<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally-integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions)		

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations (continued)

Section D - Distributions	Current Year
1 Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes	
2 Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	
3 Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	
4 Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	
5 Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required)	
6 Other distributions (describe in Part VI) See instructions	
7 Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6	
8 Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI) See instructions	
9 Distributable amount for 2017 from Section C, line 6	
10 Line 8 amount divided by Line 9 amount	

Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2017	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2017
1 Distributable amount for 2017 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2017 (reasonable cause required-- explain in Part VI) See instructions			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2017			
a			
b From 2013.			
c From 2014.			
d From 2015.			
e From 2016.			
f Total of lines 3a through e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2017 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2012 not applied (see instructions)			
j Remainder Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f			
4 Distributions for 2017 from Section D, line 7			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b Applied to 2017 distributable amount			
c Remainder Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2017, if any Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2 If the amount is greater than zero, explain in Part VI See instructions			
6 Remaining underdistributions for 2017 Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1 If the amount is greater than zero, explain in Part VI See instructions			
7 Excess distributions carryover to 2018. Add lines 3j and 4c			
8 Breakdown of line 7			
a Excess from 2013.			
b Excess from 2014.			
c Excess from 2015.			
d Excess from 2016.			
e Excess from 2017.			

Part VI **Supplemental Information.** Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10, Part II, line 17a or 17b, Part III, line 12, Part IV, Section A, lines 1, 2, 3b, 3c, 4b, 4c, 5a, 6, 9a, 9b, 9c, 11a, 11b, and 11c, Part IV, Section B, lines 1 and 2, Part IV, Section C, line 1, Part IV, Section D, lines 2 and 3, Part IV, Section E, lines 1c, 2a, 2b, 3a and 3b, Part V, line 1, Part V, Section B, line 1e, Part V Section D, lines 5, 6, and 8, and Part V, Section E, lines 2, 5, and 6. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions.)

Facts And Circumstances Test

**SCHEDULE G
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**

**Supplemental Information Regarding
Fundraising or Gaming Activities**

OMB No 1545-0047

2017

**Open to Public
Inspection**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 17, 18, or 19, or if the organization entered more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

▶ Information about Schedule G (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
HIGHLANDER HOME RUN CLUB

Employer identification number
76-0574152

Part I Fundraising Activities. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 17. Form 990-EZ filers are not required to complete this part.

- 1** Indicate whether the organization raised funds through any of the following activities. Check all that apply.
- a** Mail solicitations
 - b** Internet and email solicitations
 - c** Phone solicitations
 - d** In-person solicitations
 - e** Solicitation of non-government grants
 - f** Solicitation of government grants
 - g** Special fundraising events
- 2a** Did the organization have a written or oral agreement with any individual (including officers, directors, trustees or key employees listed in Form 990, Part VII) or entity in connection with professional fundraising services? Yes No
- b** If "Yes," list the ten highest paid individuals or entities (fundraisers) pursuant to agreements under which the fundraiser is to be compensated at least \$5,000 by the organization

(i) Name and address of individual or entity (fundraiser)	(ii) Activity	(iii) Did fundraiser have custody or control of contributions?		(iv) Gross receipts from activity	(v) Amount paid to (or retained by) fundraiser listed in col (i)	(vi) Amount paid to (or retained by) organization
		Yes	No			
1						
2						
3						
4						
5						
6						
7						
8						
9						
10						
Total				▶		

3 List all states in which the organization is registered or licensed to solicit contributions or has been notified it is exempt from registration or licensing

Part II Fundraising Events. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 18, or reported more than \$15,000 of fundraising event contributions and gross income on Form 990-EZ, lines 1 and 6b. List events with gross receipts greater than \$5,000.

		(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other events	(d)
		(event type)	(event type)	(total number)	Total events (add col (a) through col (c))
Revenue	1 Gross receipts				
	2 Less Contributions				
	3 Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)				
Direct Expenses	4 Cash prizes				
	5 Noncash prizes				
	6 Rent/facility costs				
	7 Food and beverages				
	8 Entertainment				
	9 Other direct expenses				
	10 Direct expense summary Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d) ▶				
	11 Net income summary Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d) ▶				

Part III Gaming. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 19, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

		(a) Bingo	(b) Pull tabs/Instant bingo/progressive bingo	(c) Other gaming	(d) Total gaming (add col (a) through col (c))
		1 Gross revenue			
Direct Expenses	2 Cash prizes				
	3 Noncash prizes				
	4 Rent/facility costs				
	5 Other direct expenses				
	6 Volunteer labor	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	
	7 Direct expense summary Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d) ▶				
	8 Net gaming income summary Subtract line 7 from line 1, column (d) ▶				

9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization conducts gaming activities _____

a Is the organization licensed to conduct gaming activities in each of these states? Yes No

b If "No," explain _____

10a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended or terminated during the tax year? Yes No

b If "Yes," explain _____

- 11** Does the organization conduct gaming activities with nonmembers? Yes No
- 12** Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming? Yes No
- 13** Indicate the percentage of gaming activity conducted in
- | | | |
|----------|-----------------------------|---|
| a | The organization's facility | % |
| b | An outside facility | % |

14 Enter the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records

Name ▶

Address ▶

15a Does the organization have a contract with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue? Yes No

b If "Yes," enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization ▶ \$ _____ and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party ▶ \$ _____

c If "Yes," enter name and address of the third party

Name ▶

Address ▶

16 Gaming manager information

Name ▶

Gaming manager compensation ▶ \$

Description of services provided ▶

- Director/officer Employee Independent contractor

17 Mandatory distributions

a Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license? Yes No

b Enter the amount of distributions required under state law distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year ▶ \$ _____

Part IV Supplemental Information. Provide the explanations required by Part I, line 2b, columns (iii) and (v); and Part III, lines 9, 9b, 10b, 15b, 15c, 16, and 17b, as applicable. Also provide any additional information (see instructions).

Return Reference	Explanation
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SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

OMB No 1545-0047

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
HIGHLANDER HOME RUN CLUB

Employer identification number

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Return Reference	Explanation
Description of other revenue Part I line 8	DESCRIPTION AMOUNTCENTURY CLUB SPONSORSHIPS 2,100CLOTHING 17,375BANQUET INCOME 5,730FIELD ADVERTISING INCOME 7,100FRESHMEN FUNDRAISER 7,540GOLF TOURNAMENT INCOME 42,250HHRC PLAYER PACKAGE INCOME 3,205PROGRAM ADVERTISING INCOME 7,550RANDALL & KROGER FOOD CARDS INCOME 305 SPRING TOURNAMENT INCOME 790LETTER WRITING CAMPAIGN 13,460PROGRAM SALES 560STADIUM SEATS INCOME 624

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Return Reference	Explanation
List of grants and similar amounts paid Part I line 10	ACTIVITY UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS GRANTEE JON COLE CREIGHTON AMOUNT 1,000ACTIVITY UNIVERSITY OF MARY HARDIN BAYLOR GRANTEE KYLE FINSTER AMOUNT 1,000ACTIVITY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA GRANTEE ZACH LACANFORA AMOUNT 1,000ACTIVITY OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY GRANTEE JARRED MILES AMOUNT 1,000ACTIVITY TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY GRANTEE BRYCE OLINGER AMOUNT 1,000ACTIVITY TEXAS CHRSTIAN UNIVERSITY GRANTEE MICHAEL RAPAGNANI AMOUNT 1,000ACTIVITY UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA GRANTEE COLE SICHLEY AMOUNT 1,000ACTIVITY NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY GRANTEE JAMES PRIMAVERA AMOUNT 1,000

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Return Reference	Explanation
Description of other expenses Part I line 16	DESCRIPTION AMOUNT BANQUET EXPENSE 9,583 BASEBALL EQUIPMENT 10,162 BASEBALL ACTIVITY ACCOUNT 15,885 CLOTHING 17,499 BASEBALL UNIFORMS 8,318 COACH TRAINING EXPENSE 4,107 CREDIT CARD FEES 1,867 EQUIPMENT IPADS & MOBILE SERVICE 1,541 PROGRAM ADVERTISING 3,555 FIELD ADVERTISING 260 FIELD SUPPLIES 2,698 WEBSITE 2,202 GOLF TOURNAMENT EXPENSES 16,338 HHRC PLAYER PACKAGE EXPENSE 2,167 LEGAL & PROFESSIONAL SERVICES 350 MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES 2,041 OFFICE SUPPLIES 473 PRESS BOX IMPROVEMENTS 4,057 BANK CHARGES AND FEES 254 DONATIONS 1,000 BATTING CAGE RENOVATIONS 8,987