

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

# Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

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OMB No. 1545-0047  
**2019**  
Open to Public Inspection

**A** For the **2019** calendar year, or tax year beginning **01-01-2019**, and ending **12-31-2019**

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

**C** Name of organization  
THE BENCHMARK MANAGEMENT COMPANY  
EMPLOYEE BENEFIT TRUST

Doing business as

Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite  
1780 HUGHES LANDING BLVD SUITE 400

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code  
THE WOODLANDS, TX 77380

**D** Employer identification number  
76-6078479

**E** Telephone number  
(281) 367-5757

**G** Gross receipts \$ 26,680,321

**F** Name and address of principal officer:  
KIRK JONES  
1780 HUGHES LANDING BLVD SUITE 400  
THE WOODLANDS, TX 77380

**H(a)** Is this a group return for subordinates?  Yes  No  
**H(b)** Are all subordinates included?  Yes  No  
If "No," attach a list. (see instructions)  
**H(c)** Group exemption number ▶

**I** Tax-exempt status:  501(c)(3)  501(c)(9) ◀ (insert no.)  4947(a)(1) or  527

**J** Website: ▶ N/A

**K** Form of organization:  Corporation  Trust  Association  Other ▶

**L** Year of formation: 1992 **M** State of legal domicile: TX

**Part I Summary**

**1** Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities:  
PROVIDE HEALTH AND WELFARE BENEFITS

2 Check this box  if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.

3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	0
4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	0
5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2019 (Part V, line 2a)	5	0
6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	0
7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0
7b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 39	7b	0

	Prior Year	Current Year
8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	0	0
9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	22,518,697	26,680,321
10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	0	0
11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	0	0
12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	22,518,697	26,680,321
13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	0	0
14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	19,065,667	24,989,437
15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)	1,288,599	1,558,379
16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0	0
b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 0		
17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24e)	2,280,255	2,263,863
18 Total expenses. Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	22,634,521	28,811,679
19 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	-115,824	-2,131,358
	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	2,726,508	595,150
21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	28,588	28,588
22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	2,697,920	566,562

**Part II Signature Block**

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 2020-10-22

KIRK JONES CFO Type or print name and title

**Paid Preparer Use Only**

Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date 2020-10-05	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN P01070377
Firm's name ▶ BENNETT THRASHER LLP			Firm's EIN ▶ 58-1673613	
Firm's address ▶ 3300 RIVERWOOD PARKWAY 700 ATLANTA, GA 30339			Phone no. (770) 396-2200	

**Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III

**1** Briefly describe the organization's mission:

PROVIDE HEALTH AND WELFARE BENEFITS

**2** Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ?  Yes  No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.

**3** Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services?  Yes  No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.

**4** Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

**4a** (Code: ) (Expenses \$ 28,811,679 including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ 26,680,321 )  
See Additional Data

**4b** (Code: ) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

**4c** (Code: ) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

**4d** Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.)  
(Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

**4e** Total program service expenses ▶ 28,811,679

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, and Yes/No response. Rows include questions 1 through 21, with sub-questions a-f for items 11 and 12. Questions cover topics like political activities, lobbying, donor funds, conservation easements, and financial reporting.

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

Table with 3 columns: Question/Description, Yes, No. Rows include questions 22 through 38 regarding organizational reporting, compensation, bond issues, and controlled entities.

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V [ ]

Table with 3 columns: Question/Description, Yes, No. Rows include questions 1a, 1b, and 1c regarding Form 1096, Forms W-2G, and backup withholding rules.

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance (continued)

Main form area containing questions 2a through 16, including sub-questions like 2b, 3a, 3b, 4a, 4b, 5a, 5b, 5c, 6a, 6b, 7a, 7b, 7c, 7d, 7e, 7f, 7g, 7h, 8, 9a, 9b, 10a, 10b, 11a, 11b, 12a, 12b, 13a, 13b, 13c, 14a, 14b, 15, and 16.

**Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure** For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to lines 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.  
 Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI

**Section A. Governing Body and Management**

		Yes	No
<b>1a</b>	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O.		
<b>1b</b>	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent		
<b>2</b>	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?		No
<b>3</b>	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?	Yes	
<b>4</b>	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		No
<b>5</b>	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?		No
<b>6</b>	Did the organization have members or stockholders?		No
<b>7a</b>	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?		No
<b>7b</b>	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?		No
<b>8</b>	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
<b>8a</b>	a The governing body?	Yes	
<b>8b</b>	b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?		No
<b>9</b>	Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O		No

**Section B. Policies** (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

		Yes	No
<b>10a</b>	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?		No
<b>10b</b>	b If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?		
<b>11a</b>	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	Yes	
<b>12a</b>	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13		No
<b>12b</b>	b Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?		
<b>12c</b>	c Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done		
<b>13</b>	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?		No
<b>14</b>	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	Yes	
<b>15</b>	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?		
<b>15a</b>	a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official		No
<b>15b</b>	b Other officers or key employees of the organization If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions).		No
<b>16a</b>	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?		No
<b>16b</b>	b If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?		

**Section C. Disclosure**

- 17** List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed
- 18** Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024-A if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.  
 Own website  Another's website  Upon request  Other (explain in Schedule O)
- 19** Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.
- 20** State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records:  
 KIRK JONES 1780 HUGHES LANDING BLVD STE 400 THE WOODLANDS, TX 77380 (281) 367-5757

**Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII

**Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees**

**1a** Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, or highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

See instructions for the order in which to list the persons above.

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) KIRK JONES ..... CFO	0.00 .....	X						0	0	0

Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees <i>(continued)</i>										
(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			

<b>1b Sub-Total</b> . . . . .	0	0	0
<b>c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A</b> . . . . .			
<b>d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)</b> . . . . .	0	0	0

**2** Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization **▶ 0**

	Yes	No
<b>3</b> Did the organization list any <b>former</b> officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i> . . . . .		No
<b>4</b> For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i> . . . . .		No
<b>5</b> Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i> . . . . .		No

**Section B. Independent Contractors**

**1** Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation

**2** Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization **▶ 0**



**Part VIII Statement of Revenue**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII

		(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512 - 514	
<b>Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts</b>	<b>1a</b> Federated campaigns . . . . .	<b>1a</b>				
	<b>b</b> Membership dues . . . . .	<b>1b</b>				
	<b>c</b> Fundraising events . . . . .	<b>1c</b>				
	<b>d</b> Related organizations . . . . .	<b>1d</b>				
	<b>e</b> Government grants (contributions) . . . . .	<b>1e</b>				
	<b>f</b> All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above . . . . .	<b>1f</b>				
	<b>g</b> Noncash contributions included in lines 1a - 1f: \$ . . . . .	<b>1g</b>				
	<b>h Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f . . . . . ▶					
<b>Program Service Revenue</b>	<b>2a</b> EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS	Business Code 525100	19,359,764	19,359,764		
	<b>b</b> EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS	525100	7,320,557	7,320,557		
	<b>c</b>					
	<b>d</b>					
	<b>e</b>					
	<b>f</b> All other program service revenue.					
	<b>g Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f. . . . . ▶	26,680,321				
<b>Other Revenue</b>	<b>3</b> Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts) . . . . . ▶					
	<b>4</b> Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds . . . . . ▶					
	<b>5</b> Royalties . . . . . ▶					
	<b>6a</b> Gross rents	(i) Real	<b>6a</b>			
		<b>b</b> Less: rental expenses	<b>6b</b>			
		<b>c</b> Rental income or (loss)	<b>6c</b>			
	<b>d</b> Net rental income or (loss) . . . . . ▶					
	<b>7a</b> Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	<b>7a</b>			
		<b>b</b> Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	<b>7b</b>			
		<b>c</b> Gain or (loss)	<b>7c</b>			
	<b>d</b> Net gain or (loss) . . . . . ▶					
	<b>8a</b> Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18 . . . . .	<b>8a</b>				
	<b>b</b> Less: direct expenses . . . . .	<b>8b</b>				
<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from fundraising events . . . . . ▶						
<b>9a</b> Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19 . . . . .	<b>9a</b>					
<b>b</b> Less: direct expenses . . . . .	<b>9b</b>					
<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from gaming activities . . . . . ▶						
<b>10a</b> Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances . . . . .	<b>10a</b>					
<b>b</b> Less: cost of goods sold . . . . .	<b>10b</b>					
<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory . . . . . ▶						
Miscellaneous Revenue	Business Code					
<b>11a</b>						
<b>b</b>						
<b>c</b>						
<b>d</b> All other revenue . . . . .						
<b>e Total.</b> Add lines 11a-11d . . . . . ▶						
<b>12 Total revenue.</b> See instructions . . . . . ▶		26,680,321	26,680,321	0	0	

**Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses**

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A).

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX

<b>Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.</b>	<b>(A)</b> Total expenses	<b>(B)</b> Program service expenses	<b>(C)</b> Management and general expenses	<b>(D)</b> Fundraising expenses
<b>1</b> Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21 . . . . .				
<b>2</b> Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22 . . . . .				
<b>3</b> Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16. . . . .				
<b>4</b> Benefits paid to or for members . . . . .	24,989,437	24,989,437		
<b>5</b> Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees . . . . .				
<b>6</b> Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) . . . . .				
<b>7</b> Other salaries and wages . . . . .				
<b>8</b> Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401 (k) and 403(b) employer contributions) . . . . .				
<b>9</b> Other employee benefits . . . . .	1,558,379	1,558,379		
<b>10</b> Payroll taxes . . . . .				
<b>11</b> Fees for services (non-employees):				
<b>a</b> Management . . . . .				
<b>b</b> Legal . . . . .				
<b>c</b> Accounting . . . . .				
<b>d</b> Lobbying . . . . .				
<b>e</b> Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
<b>f</b> Investment management fees . . . . .				
<b>g</b> Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O)				
<b>12</b> Advertising and promotion . . . . .				
<b>13</b> Office expenses . . . . .				
<b>14</b> Information technology . . . . .				
<b>15</b> Royalties . . . . .				
<b>16</b> Occupancy . . . . .				
<b>17</b> Travel . . . . .				
<b>18</b> Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials . . . . .				
<b>19</b> Conferences, conventions, and meetings . . . . .				
<b>20</b> Interest . . . . .				
<b>21</b> Payments to affiliates . . . . .				
<b>22</b> Depreciation, depletion, and amortization . . . . .				
<b>23</b> Insurance . . . . .				
<b>24</b> Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
<b>a</b> ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	2,263,863	2,263,863		
<b>b</b>				
<b>c</b>				
<b>d</b>				
<b>e</b> All other expenses				
<b>25</b> <b>Total functional expenses.</b> Add lines 1 through 24e	28,811,679	28,811,679	0	0
<b>26</b> <b>Joint costs.</b> Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720).				

**Part X Balance Sheet**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
<b>Assets</b>	<b>1</b> Cash—non-interest-bearing . . . . .		<b>1</b>	
	<b>2</b> Savings and temporary cash investments . . . . .	2,726,508	<b>2</b>	595,150
	<b>3</b> Pledges and grants receivable, net . . . . .		<b>3</b>	
	<b>4</b> Accounts receivable, net . . . . .		<b>4</b>	
	<b>5</b> Loans and other payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons . . . . .		<b>5</b>	
	<b>6</b> Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) . . . . .		<b>6</b>	
	<b>7</b> Notes and loans receivable, net . . . . .		<b>7</b>	
	<b>8</b> Inventories for sale or use . . . . .		<b>8</b>	
	<b>9</b> Prepaid expenses and deferred charges . . . . .		<b>9</b>	
	<b>10a</b> Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	<b>10a</b>		
	<b>b</b> Less: accumulated depreciation	<b>10b</b>		<b>10c</b>
	<b>11</b> Investments—publicly traded securities . . . . .		<b>11</b>	
	<b>12</b> Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .		<b>12</b>	
	<b>13</b> Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .		<b>13</b>	
	<b>14</b> Intangible assets . . . . .		<b>14</b>	
	<b>15</b> Other assets. See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .		<b>15</b>	
<b>16 Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34) . . . . .	2,726,508	<b>16</b>	595,150	
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>17</b> Accounts payable and accrued expenses . . . . .	28,588	<b>17</b>	28,588
	<b>18</b> Grants payable . . . . .		<b>18</b>	
	<b>19</b> Deferred revenue . . . . .		<b>19</b>	
	<b>20</b> Tax-exempt bond liabilities . . . . .		<b>20</b>	
	<b>21</b> Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		<b>21</b>	
	<b>22</b> Loans and other payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons . . . . .		<b>22</b>	
	<b>23</b> Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties . . . . .		<b>23</b>	
	<b>24</b> Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties . . . . .		<b>24</b>	
	<b>25</b> Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17 - 24). Complete Part X of Schedule D		<b>25</b>	
	<b>26 Total liabilities.</b> Add lines 17 through 25 . . . . .	28,588	<b>26</b>	28,588
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.</b>			
	<b>27</b> Net assets without donor restrictions . . . . .		<b>27</b>	
	<b>28</b> Net assets with donor restrictions . . . . .		<b>28</b>	
	<b>Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 29 through 33.</b>			
	<b>29</b> Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds . . . . .	0	<b>29</b>	0
	<b>30</b> Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund . . . . .	0	<b>30</b>	0
	<b>31</b> Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds . . . . .	0	<b>31</b>	0
<b>32</b> Total net assets or fund balances . . . . .	2,697,920	<b>32</b>	566,562	
<b>33</b> Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances . . . . .	2,726,508	<b>33</b>	595,150	

**Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI

<b>1</b>	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	<b>1</b>	26,680,321
<b>2</b>	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	<b>2</b>	28,811,679
<b>3</b>	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	<b>3</b>	-2,131,358
<b>4</b>	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	<b>4</b>	2,697,920
<b>5</b>	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	<b>5</b>	
<b>6</b>	Donated services and use of facilities	<b>6</b>	
<b>7</b>	Investment expenses	<b>7</b>	
<b>8</b>	Prior period adjustments	<b>8</b>	
<b>9</b>	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	<b>9</b>	0
<b>10</b>	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	<b>10</b>	566,562

**Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII

- 1** Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990:  Cash  Accrual  Other \_\_\_\_\_  
 If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O.
- 2a** Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?  
 If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:  
 Separate basis  Consolidated basis  Both consolidated and separate basis
- b** Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?  
 If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:  
 Separate basis  Consolidated basis  Both consolidated and separate basis
- c** If "Yes," to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant?  
 If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.
- 3a** As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?
- b** If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits.

	Yes	No
<b>2a</b>		No
<b>2b</b>	Yes	
<b>2c</b>		No
<b>3a</b>		No
<b>3b</b>		

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Form 990 (2019)

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**Form 990, Part III, Line 4a:**

THE BENCHMARK VEBA TRUST WAS ESTABLISHED TO PROVIDE WELFARE BENEFITS UNDER PLANS ESTABLISHED UNDER THE TRUST FOR ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES, AND DEPENDENTS OF ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES OF THE PARTICIPATING EMPLOYER.

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SCHEDULE D (Form 990) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements

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Complete if the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b. Attach to Form 990. Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

Name of the organization THE BENCHMARK MANAGEMENT COMPANY EMPLOYEE BENEFIT TRUST

Employer identification number 76-6078479

Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

Table with 2 columns: (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include total number at end of year, aggregate value of contributions, grants, and end of year. Includes questions about donor notification and grant fund usage.

Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

Form for Part II Conservation Easements. Includes questions about purpose of easements, monitoring, and expenses. Includes a table for 'Held at the End of the Year' with rows 2a, 2b, 2c, and 2d.

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

Form for Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets. Includes questions about reporting and amounts for art and historical treasures.

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets (continued)

- 3 Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):
a Public exhibition
b Scholarly research
c Preservation for future generations
d Loan or exchange programs
e Other
4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII.
5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? Yes No

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

- 1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? Yes No
b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table:
Table with columns: Amount, 1c Beginning balance, 1d Additions during the year, 1e Distributions during the year, 1f Ending balance
2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability? Yes No
b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided in Part XIII

Part V Endowment Funds.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

Table with 5 columns: (a) Current year, (b) Prior year, (c) Two years back, (d) Three years back, (e) Four years back. Rows include: 1a Beginning of year balance, b Contributions, c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses, d Grants or scholarships, e Other expenditures for facilities and programs, f Administrative expenses, g End of year balance.

- 2 Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:
a Board designated or quasi-endowment
b Permanent endowment
c Temporarily restricted endowment
The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%.
3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:
(i) unrelated organizations
(ii) related organizations
b If "Yes" on 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?
4 Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Table with 4 columns: (a) Cost or other basis (investment), (b) Cost or other basis (other), (c) Accumulated depreciation, (d) Book value. Rows include: 1a Land, b Buildings, c Leasehold improvements, d Equipment, e Other.

Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)

**Part VII Investments—Other Securities.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives . . . . .		
(2) Closely-held equity interests . . . . .		
(3) Other _____		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.)		

**Part VIII Investments—Program Related.**

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col.(B) line 13.)		

**Part IX Other Assets.**

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col.(B) line 15.)	

**Part X Other Liabilities.**

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col.(B) line 25.)	

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions. In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740). Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII



**Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return.**

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

<b>1</b>	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements . . . . .		<b>1</b>	26,680,321
<b>2</b>	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:			
<b>a</b>	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments . . . . .	<b>2a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Donated services and use of facilities . . . . .	<b>2b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Recoveries of prior year grants . . . . .	<b>2c</b>		
<b>d</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.) . . . . .	<b>2d</b>		
<b>e</b>	Add lines <b>2a</b> through <b>2d</b> . . . . .		<b>2e</b>	0
<b>3</b>	Subtract line <b>2e</b> from line <b>1</b> . . . . .		<b>3</b>	26,680,321
<b>4</b>	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:			
<b>a</b>	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b . . . . .	<b>4a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.) . . . . .	<b>4b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Add lines <b>4a</b> and <b>4b</b> . . . . .		<b>4c</b>	0
<b>5</b>	Total revenue. Add lines <b>3</b> and <b>4c</b> . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.) . . . . .		<b>5</b>	26,680,321

**Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return.**

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

<b>1</b>	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements . . . . .		<b>1</b>	28,811,679
<b>2</b>	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:			
<b>a</b>	Donated services and use of facilities . . . . .	<b>2a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Prior year adjustments . . . . .	<b>2b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Other losses . . . . .	<b>2c</b>		
<b>d</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.) . . . . .	<b>2d</b>		
<b>e</b>	Add lines <b>2a</b> through <b>2d</b> . . . . .		<b>2e</b>	0
<b>3</b>	Subtract line <b>2e</b> from line <b>1</b> . . . . .		<b>3</b>	28,811,679
<b>4</b>	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:			
<b>a</b>	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b . . . . .	<b>4a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.) . . . . .	<b>4b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Add lines <b>4a</b> and <b>4b</b> . . . . .		<b>4c</b>	0
<b>5</b>	Total expenses. Add lines <b>3</b> and <b>4c</b> . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.) . . . . .		<b>5</b>	28,811,679

**Part XIII Supplemental Information**

Provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, lines 1a and 4; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b; Part V, line 4; Part X, line 2; Part XI, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
See Additional Data Table	

**Part XIII** Supplemental Information *(continued)*

Return Reference	Explanation

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PART X, LINE 2:	GAAP REQUIRES PLAN MANAGEMENT TO EVALUATE TAX POSITIONS TAKEN BY THE PLAN AND RECOGNIZE A TAX LIABILITY (OR ASSET) IF THE PLAN HAS TAKEN AN UNCERTAIN POSITION THAT MORE LIKELY THAN NOT WOULD NOT BE SUSTAINED UPON EXAMINATION BY THE IRS. THE PLAN SPONSOR HAS ANALYZED THE TAX POSITIONS TAKEN BY THE PLAN, AND HAS CONCLUDED THAT AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2019, THERE ARE NO UNCERTAIN POSITIONS TAKEN OR EXPECTED TO BE TAKEN THAT WOULD REQUIRE RECOGNITION OF A LIABILITY (OR ASSET) OR DISCLOSURE IN THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. THE PLAN IS SUBJECT TO AUDITS BY TAXING JURISDICTIONS; HOWEVER, THERE ARE CURRENTLY NO AUDITS FOR ANY TAX PERIODS IN PROGRESS. THE PLAN ADMINISTRATOR BELIEVES IT IS NO LONGER SUBJECT TO INCOME TAX EXAMINATIONS FOR YEARS PRIOR TO 2016.

**SCHEDULE O**  
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ**

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

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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**990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information**

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 3	THE ORGANIZATION DELEGATED CONTROL OVER MANAGEMENT DUTIES TO BGGMC, LLC.

**990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information**

<b>Return Reference</b>	<b>Explanation</b>
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 8B	THERE WERE NOT ANY COMMITTEES WITH AUTHORITY TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNING BODY.

# 990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11B	A COPY OF THIS FORM 990 IS PROVIDED TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY BEFORE FILING THE FORM.

# 990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19	THE GOVERNING DOCUMENTS ARE THE PLAN DOCUMENTS. THERE IS NOT A CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY . THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON REQUEST.

**990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information**

<b>Return Reference</b>	<b>Explanation</b>
FORM 990, PART IX - BENEFITS PAID TO OR FOR MEMBERS	PAYMENTS FOR HEALTH & DENTAL CLAIMS: 24,989,437