

Form **990-EZ**

**Short Form**

OMB No. 1545-1150

**1999**

**Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

Under section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation) or section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust  
For organizations with gross receipts less than \$100,000 and total assets less than \$250,000 at the end of the year.

This Form is  
Open to  
Public  
Inspection

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

**A** For the 1999 calendar year, OR tax year beginning JULY 1, 1999, and ending 6/30/2000

**B** Check if:  
 Change of address  
 Initial return  
 Final return  
 Amended return (required also for state reporting)

**C** Name of organization: FRIENDS IN NEED FOUNDATION, INC.

Number and street (or P.O. box, if mail is not delivered to address): 3320 N. CAUSEWAY BLVD. Room/suite: 6

City, town, or country: METAIRIE State: LA ZIP code: 70002

**D** Employer identification number: 72-1387553

**E** Telephone number: 504-837-5434

**F** Check if  exemption application is pending

**G** Accounting method:  Cash  Accrual  Other (specify)

**H** Enter four-digit group exemption number (GEN)

**I** Type of organization:  Exempt under Section 501(c) ( 3 ) (insert no.)  section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust

Note: Section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts MUST attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990).

**J** Check if the  organization's gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000. The organization need not file a return with the IRS; but if the organization received a Form 990 Package in the mail, the organization should file a return without financial data. Some states require a complete return.

**K** Enter the organization's 1999 gross receipts (add back lines 5b, 6b, and 7b, to line 9) \$ 5,057  
**If \$100,000 or more, the organization must file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ.**

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances		(See instructions on page 32.)	
1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received (attach schedule of contributors)	1	394
2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	
3	Membership dues and assessments	3	
4	Investment income	4	
R e v e n u e	5a Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	
	c Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (line 5a less line 5b) (attach schedule)	5c	0
n e t	6 Special events and activities (attach schedule):		
	a Gross revenue (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1)	6a	4,663
	b Less: direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	6b	3,398
	c Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (line 6a less line 6b)	6c	1,265
s e r v i c e	7a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a	
	b Less: cost of goods sold	7b	
	c Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (line 7a less line 7b)	7c	0
8	Other revenue (describe _____)	8	0
9	Total revenue (add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8)	9	1,659
E x p e n s e s	10 Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule)	10	670
	11 Benefits paid to or for members	11	
	12 Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	
	13 Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	
	14 Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	
	15 Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	
	16 Other expenses (describe <u>SUPPLIES, P.O. BOX, BANK CHARGES</u> )	16	184
	17 Total expenses (add lines 10 through 16)	17	854
Net	18 Excess or (deficit) for the year (line 9 less line 17)	18	805
A s s e t s	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)	19	-333
	20 Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)	20	
	21 Net assets or fund balances at end of year (combine lines 18 through 20)	21	472

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

(See Specific Instructions on page 36.)

	(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	873	418
23 Land and buildings		
24 Other assets (describe _____)	0	0
25 Total assets	873	418
26 Total liabilities (describe <u>ACCOUNTS PAYABLE</u> )	1,206	0
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	-333	418

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

(See Specific Instructions on page 36.)

Expenses

(Required for 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) trusts; optional for others.)

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? TO ASSIST PEOPLE IN NEED THROUGH FINANCIAL AID
Describe what was achieved in carrying out the organization's exempt purposes. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, or other relevant information for each program title.

Table with 5 columns: Line number, Description, (Grants \$), Expense code, and Amount. Rows include: 28 WORK WITH CHRISTMAS IN OCTOBER PROGRAM TO REFURBISH A HOME OF A QUALIFIED LOW INCOME PERSON IN NEW ORLEANS (400); 29 PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO INDIVIDUALS IN NEED (270); 31 Other program services (attach schedule); 32 Total program service expenses (670).

Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees

(List each one even if not compensated.)

Table with 5 columns: (A) Name and address, (B) Title and average hours per week devoted to position, (C) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-), (D) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation, (E) Expense account and other allowances. Rows include: ROBERT W. HIENZ, PRESIDENT; ROBERT ROBINSON, VICE-PRESIDENT; BRIAN KELLER, VICE-PRESIDENT; PAUL BARICOS, VICE-PRESIDENT.

Part V Other Information

(See Specific Instructions on page 37.)

Yes or No

Table with 2 columns: Question/Description, Yes or No. Rows include: 33 Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the Internal Revenue Service? (NO); 34 Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents but not reported to the IRS? (NO); 35 If the organization had income from business activities... (NO); 36 Was there a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or substantial contraction during the year? (NO); 37a Enter amount of political expenditures... (0); 38a Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee OR were any such loans made in a prior year and still unpaid at the start of the period covered by this return? (NO); 39 501(c)(7) organizations... (0); 40a 501(c)(3) organizations... (0); 41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed. (NONE); 42 The books are in care of (ROBERT W. HIENZ); 43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041- Check here (43).

Signature block containing: Please Sign Here, 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. Signature of officer: Robert W. Hienz, Date: 5/15/2001, Type or print name and title: ROBERT W. HIENZ, Title: PRESIDENT. Also includes Preparer's signature, Firm's name, EIN, Phone, and ZIP + 4.



**Part III Statements About Activities**

	Yes	No
1 During the year, has the organization attempted to influence national, state, or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum? . . . . . If "Yes," enter the total expenses paid or incurred in connection with the lobbying activities. Organizations that made an election under section 501(h) by filing Form 5768 must complete Part VI-A. Other organizations checking "Yes," must complete Part VI-B AND attach a statement giving a detailed description of the lobbying activities.	1	X
2 During the year, has the organization, either directly or indirectly, engaged in any of the following acts with any of its trustees, directors, officers, creators, key employees, or members of their families, or with any taxable organization with which any such person is affiliated as an officer, director, trustee, majority owner, or principal beneficiary:		
a Sale, exchange, or leasing of property? . . . . .	2a	X
b Lending of money or other extension of credit? . . . . .	2b	X
c Furnishing of goods, services, or facilities? . . . . .	2c	X
d Payment of compensation (or payment or reimbursement of expenses if more than \$1,000)? . . . . .	2d	X
e Transfer of any part of its income or assets? . . . . . If the answer to any question is "Yes," attach a detailed statement explaining the transactions.	2e	X
3 Does the organization make grants for scholarships, fellowships, student loans, etc.? . . . . .	3	X
4a Do you have a section 403(b) annuity plan for your employees? . . . . .	4a	X
b Attach a statement to explain how the organization determines that individuals or organizations receiving grants or loans from it in furtherance of its charitable programs qualify to receive payments. (See page 2 of the instructions.)		

**Part IV Reason for Non-Private Foundation Status**

(See pages 2 through 4 of the instructions.)

The organization is not a private foundation because it is (please check only ONE applicable box):

- 5  A church, convention of churches, or association of churches. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).
- 6  A school. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii). (Also complete Part V, page 4.)
- 7  A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).
- 8  A Federal, state, or local government or governmental unit. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).
- 9  A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii). Enter the hospital's name, city, and state \_\_\_\_\_
- 10  An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv). (Also complete the Support Schedule in Part IV-A.)
- 11a  An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). (Also complete the Support Schedule in Part IV-A.)
- 11b  A community trust. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). (Also complete the Support Schedule below.)
- 12  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 charitable, etc., 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). (Also complete the Support Schedule in Part IV-A.)
- 13  An organization that is not controlled by any disqualified persons (other than foundation managers) and supports organizations described in: (1) lines 5 through 12 above; or (2) section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6), if they meet the test of section 509(a)(2). (See section 509(a)(3).)

Provide the following information about the supported organizations. (See page 4 of the instructions.)

(a) Name(s) of supported organization(s)	(b) Line number from above
NOT APPLICABLE	

- 14  An organization organized and operated to test for public safety. Section 509(a)(4). (See page 4 of the instructions.)