

IRS e-file Signature Authorization for an Exempt Organization

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

For calendar year 2008, or fiscal year beginning _____, 2008, and ending _____, 20_____

▶ **Do not send to the IRS. Keep for your records.**
▶ **See instructions.**

2008

Name of exempt organization
THE OPTIMISTS, INC.

Employer identification number
11-3571622

Name and title of officer
SARWAR B SALAM

CHAIRPERSON

Part I Type of Return and Return Information (Whole Dollars Only)

Check the box for the return for which you are using this Form 8879-EO and enter the applicable amount from the return if any. If you check the box on line **1a, 2a, 3a, 4a, or 5a**, below, and the amount on that line for the return for which you are filing this form was blank, then leave line **1b, 2b, 3b, 4b, or 5b**, whichever is applicable, blank (do not enter -0-). But, if you entered -0- on the return, then enter -0- on the applicable line below. **Do not** complete more than 1 line in Part I.

1a Form 990 check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	b Total revenue, if any (Form 990, line 12)	1b _____
2a Form 990-EZ check here ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	b Total revenue, if any (Form 990-EZ, line 9)	2b <u>77,843</u>
3a Form 1120-POL check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	b Total tax (Form 1120-POL, line 22).	3b _____
4a Form 990-PF check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	b Tax based on investment income (Form 990-PF, Part VI, line 5)	4b _____
5a Form 8868 check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	b Balance Due (Form 8868, line 3c)	5b _____

Part II Declaration and Signature Authorization of Officer

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I am an officer of the above organization and that I have examined a copy of the organization's 2008 electronic return and accompanying schedules and statements and to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are true, correct, and complete. I further declare that the amount in Part I above is the amount shown on the copy of the organization's electronic return. I consent to allow my intermediate service provider, transmitter, or electronic return originator (ERO) to send the organization's return to the IRS and to receive from the IRS (a) an acknowledgement of receipt or reason for rejection of the transmission, (b) an indication of any refund offset, (c) the reason for any delay in processing the return or refund, and (d) the date of any refund. If applicable, I authorize the U.S. Treasury and its designated Financial Agent to initiate an electronic funds withdrawal (direct debit) entry to the financial institution account indicated in the tax preparation software for payment of the organization's federal taxes owed on this return, and the financial institution to debit the entry to this account. To revoke a payment, I must contact the U.S. Treasury Financial Agent at 1-888-353-4537 no later than 2 business days prior to the payment (settlement) date. I also authorize the financial institutions involved in the processing of the electronic payment of taxes to receive confidential information necessary to answer inquiries and resolve issues related to the payment. I have selected a personal identification number (PIN) as my signature for the organization's electronic return and, if applicable, the organization's consent to electronic funds withdrawal.

Officer's PIN: check one box only

I authorize Sarwar B. Salam, CPA, P.C. to enter my PIN 11357 as my signature
ERO firm name Enter five numbers, but do not enter all zeros

on the organization's tax year 2008 electronically filed return. If I have indicated within this return that a copy of the return is being filed with a state agency(ies) regulating charities as part of the IRS Fed/State program, I also authorize the aforementioned ERO to enter my PIN on the return's disclosure consent screen.

As an officer of the organization, I will enter my PIN as my signature on the organization's tax year 2008 electronically filed return. If I have indicated within this return that a copy of the return is being filed with a state agency(ies) regulating charities as part of the IRS Fed/State program, I will enter my PIN on the return's disclosure consent screen.

Officer's signature ▶ _____

Date ▶ _____

Part III Certification and Authentication

ERO's EFIN/PIN. Enter your six-digit EFIN followed by your five-digit self-selected PIN.

11190411218
do not enter all zeros

I certify that the above numeric entry is my PIN, which is my signature on the 2008 electronically filed return for the organization indicated above. I confirm that I am submitting this return in accordance with the requirements of **Pub. 4163**, Modernized e-File (MeF) Information for Authorized IRS e-file Providers for Business Returns.

ERO's signature ▶ _____

Date ▶ _____

ERO Must Retain This Form—See Instructions
Do Not Submit This Form To the IRS Unless Requested To Do So

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August 2, 2014

THE OPTIMISTS, INC.

C/O MUHAMMED CHOUDHURY, 25-78 31ST STREET
ASTORIA, NY 11102

Dear Sir,

We have prepared your 2008 federal income tax return based on the information you provided. The return for THE OPTIMISTS, INC. has been successfully e-filed and a copy is enclosed for your records.

There are no taxes or fees due with the return.

If you have questions about your return(s) or about your tax situation during the year, please do not hesitate to call us at 718-436-4601. We appreciate this opportunity to serve you.

Sincerely,

Sarwar B. Salam
Sarwar B. Salam, CPA, P.C.

**Federal
Tax Return
for**

THE OPTIMISTS, INC.

2008

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Dear Sir,

Enclosed please find two copies of the 2008 New York CHAR-500 for THE OPTIMISTS, INC.. Please review your return, then file one copy with the state and retain the second copy for your records. An authorized officer or fiduciary of the organization must sign and date the filing copy on page 1 before you mail the return.

There are no taxes or fees due with the return.

We recommend that you mail your New York CHAR-500 return as soon as possible, using the United States Post Office certified mail service or another approved delivery service that will provide proof of your mailing date, to:

New York State Department of Law (Office of the Attorney General)
Charities Bureau - Registration Section
120 Broadway
New York, NY 10271

If you have questions about the return(s) or about your tax situation during the year, please do not hesitate to call us at 718-436-4601. We appreciate this opportunity to serve you.

Sincerely,

Sarwar B. Salam
Sarwar B. Salam, CPA, P.C.

**New York CHAR-500
Tax Return
for
THE OPTIMISTS, INC.
2008**

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Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

2008

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

**Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code
(except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)**

▶ Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds and controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990. All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$1,000,000 and total assets less than \$2,500,000 at the end of the year may use this form.

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

A For the 2008 calendar year, or tax year beginning		, and ending	
B Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Termination <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.	C Name of organization	
		THE OPTIMISTS, INC.	
		Number and street (or P.O. box, if mail is not delivered to street address)	Room/suite
		C/O MUHAMMED CHOUDHURY, 25-78 31ST STREET	
City, town, or country		State	ZIP + 4
ASTORIA		NY	11102
		D Employer identification number	
		11-3571622	
		E Telephone number	
		718-278-4953	
		F Group Exemption Number	
		▶	

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

G Accounting method: Cash Accrual
Other (specify) ▶

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

I Website: ▶ www.theoptimists.org

J Organization type (check only one)— 501(c) (3) ◀ (insert no.) 4947(a)(1) or 527

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

L Add lines 5b, 6b, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts; if \$1,000,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ ▶ \$ 77,843

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (See the instructions for Part I.)			
Revenue	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	7,181
	2 Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	52,906
	3 Membership dues and assessments	3	17,753
	4 Investment income	4	3
	5a Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	0
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	0
	c Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a) (attach schedule)	5c	0
	6 Special events and activities (complete applicable parts of Schedule G). If any amount is from gaming, check here <input type="checkbox"/>		
	a Gross revenue (not including \$ <u>0</u> of contributions reported on line 1)	6a	0
b Less: direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	6b	0	
c Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (Subtract line 6b from line 6a)	6c	0	
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 (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c	0	
8 Other revenue (describe ▶ _____)	8	0	
9 Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8	9	77,843	
Expenses	10 Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule)	10	57,562
	11 Benefits paid to or for members	11	
	12 Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	6,061
	13 Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	599
	14 Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	4,368
	15 Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	6,690
	16 Other expenses (describe ▶ See attached statement)	16	15,240
	17 Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	90,520
Net Assets	18 Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	-12,677
	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	7,591
	20 Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)	20	0
	21 Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	21	-5,086

Part II Balance Sheets. If Total assets on line 25, column (B) are \$2,500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ. (See the instructions for Part II.)

	(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year	
22 Cash, savings, and investments	5,766	22	4,844	
23 Land and buildings		23		
24 Other assets (describe ▶ OTHER ASSETS)	3,225	24	0	
25 Total assets	8,991	25	4,844	
26 Total liabilities (describe ▶ See attached statement)	1,400	26	9,930	
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	7,591	27	-5,086	

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (See the instructions for Part III.)

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? SPONSORSHIP OF CHILDREN 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 3 columns: Line number, Description, and Expenses. Includes rows 28-32 for program service accomplishments and total expenses.

Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees List each one even if not compensated. (See the instructions for Part IV.)

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.

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

		Yes	No
33	Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity.		X
34	Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents but not reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes.		X
35	If the organization had income from business activities, such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a (among others), but not reported on Form 990-T, attach a statement explaining your reason for not reporting the income on Form 990-T.		
a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more or section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements?		X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?		
36	Was there a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N.		X
37 a	Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions. ▶ 37a		
b	Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?		
38 a	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?		X
b	If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved. 38b 0		
39	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9. 39a		
b	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities. 39b		
40 a	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 ▶ ; section 4912 ▶ ; section 4955 ▶		
b	Section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or did it become aware of an excess benefit transaction from a prior year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I.		X
c	Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958. ▶		
d	Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization. ▶		
e	All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T.		
40e			
41	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed. ▶		
42 a	The books are in care of ▶ Name <u>MINHAZ AHMED</u> Telephone no. ▶ <u>718-278-4953</u> Located at ▶ <u>25-78 31ST STREET</u> City <u>ASTORIA</u> ST <u>NY</u> ZIP + 4 ▶ <u>11102</u>		
b	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.	Yes	No
42b			X
c	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U.S.? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ▶		X
42c			
43	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 —Check here. ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year. ▶ 43 <u>N/A</u>		
44	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ.		X
45	Is any related organization a controlled entity of the organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ.		X

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations only. All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 46–49 and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

- | | | Yes | No |
|---|------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 46 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I. | 46 | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II. | 47 | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 48 Is the organization operating a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E | 48 | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 49 a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? | 49a | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b If "Yes," was the related organization(s) a section 527 organization? | 49b | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
- 50** Complete this table for the five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$100,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
Name None Str Title	Hr/WK . . . . .	.00	0	0
City ST ZIP				
Name Str Title	Hr/WK . . . . .	.00	0	0
City ST ZIP				
Name Str Title	Hr/WK . . . . .	.00	0	0
City ST ZIP				
Name Str Title	Hr/WK . . . . .	.00	0	0
City ST ZIP				
Name Str Title	Hr/WK . . . . .	.00	0	0
City ST ZIP				
Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000 ▶	0	0	0	0

51 Complete this table for the five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
Name None Str		0
City ST ZIP		
Name Str		0
City ST ZIP		
Name Str		0
City ST ZIP		
Name Str		0
City ST ZIP		
Name Str		0
City ST ZIP		
Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000 ▶	0	0

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

▶ _____ Date _____

Signature of officer

▶ **MINHAZ AHMED, VICE PRESIDENT, FINANCE**

Type or print name and title.

Paid Preparer's Use Only

Preparer's signature ▶ Sarwar B. Salam	Date 8/2/2014	Check if self-employed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Preparer's Identifying Number (See instructions) P34912962
Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP +4 ▶ Sarwar B. Salam, CPA, P.C. 493 McDonald Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11218-3811	EIN ▶ 11-3491296	Phone no. ▶ 718-436-4601	

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

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

Public Charity Status and Public Support

OMB No. 1545-0047

2008

To be completed by all section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts.

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▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ See separate instructions.

Name of the organization: THE OPTIMISTS, INC. Employer identification number: 11-3571622

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: (Please check only **one** organization.)

- 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.)
- 3 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. (Attach Schedule H.)
- 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 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.)
- 10 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4)**. (see instructions)
- 11 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 that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h.
 - a Type I b Type II c Type III—Functionally integrated d Type III—Other
 - e By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2).
 - f If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, or Type III supporting organization, check this box
 - g Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons?
 - (i) A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (ii) and (iii) below, the governing body of the supported organization?

	Yes	No
11g(i)		
 - (ii) A family member of a person described in (i) above?

	Yes	No
11g(ii)		
 - (iii) A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above?

	Yes	No
11g(iii)		
 - h Provide the following information about the organizations the organization supports.

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1–9 above or IRC section (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization in col. (i) listed in your governing document?		(v) Did you notify the organization in col. (i) of your support?		(vi) Is the organization in col. (i) organized in the U.S.?		(vii) Amount of support
			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
									0
									0
									0
									0
									0
									0
									0
									0
									0
									0
									0
Total									0

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
 (Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	46,718	37,086	76,483			160,287
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf	0	0	0			0
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge	0	0	0			0
4 Total Add lines 1-3	46,718	37,086	76,483	0	0	160,287
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.						160,287

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	46,718	37,086	76,483	0	0	160,287
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	0	0	0			0
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						0
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)	0	0	0			0
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						160,287

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 2008 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	100.00%
15 Public support percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 26f	15	100.00%
16a 33 1/3% support test-2008. 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 ► <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
b 33 1/3% support test-2007. 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 ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances-test-2008. 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 IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test-2007. 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 IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
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. ► <input type="checkbox"/>		

Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	0	0	0			0
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	0	0	0			0
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						0
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf	0	0	0			0
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge	0	0	0			0
6 Total. Add lines 1-5	0	0	0	0	0	0
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						0
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of 1% of the total of lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12 for the year or \$5,000						0
c Add lines 7a and 7b	0	0	0	0	0	0
8 Public support (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						0

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6	0	0	0	0	0	0
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						0
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						0
c Add lines 10a and 10b	0	0	0	0	0	0
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						0
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)	0	0	0			0
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						0

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 2008 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	0.00%
16 Public support percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27g	16	0.00%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2008 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	0.00%
18 Investment income percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27h	18	0.00%

19a 33 1/3% support tests—2008. 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—2007. 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

Schedule B
(Form 990, 990-EZ,
or 990-PF)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Schedule of Contributors

▶ Attach to Form 990, 990-EZ, and 990-PF.

OMB No. 1545-0047

2008

Name of the organization

Employer identification number

THE OPTIMISTS, INC.

11-3571622

Organization type (check one):

Filers of:

Section:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

501(c)(3) (enter number) organization

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation

527 political organization

Form 990-PF

501(c)(3) exempt private foundation

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation

501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**. (Note. Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.)

General Rule

For organizations filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II.

Special Rules

For a section 501(c)(3) organization filing Form 990, or Form 990-EZ, that met the 33 1/3% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1)/170(b)(1)(A)(vi), and received from any one contributor, during the year, a contribution of the greater of (1) \$5,000 or (2) 2% of the amount on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h or 2% of the amount on Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.

For a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990, or Form 990-EZ, that received from any one contributor, during the year, aggregate contributions or bequests of more than \$1,000 for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.

For a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990, or Form 990-EZ, that received from any one contributor, during the year, some contributions for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but these contributions did not aggregate to more than \$1,000. (If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Do not complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received nonexclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$5,000 or more during the year.) ▶ \$

Caution. Organizations that are not covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules do not file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF), but they **must** answer "No" on Part IV, line 2 of their Form 990, or check the box in the heading of their Form 990-EZ, or on line 2 of their Form 990-PF, to certify that they do not meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

Part I, Line 1 (990-EZ) - Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Similar Amounts Received

1	Contributions	1	
2	NonCash contributions	2	
3	Membership dues and assessments (contributions from the public)	3	
4	Government contributions (grants)	4	
5	Commercial co-venture	5	
6	Special events contributions (Line 6 - Special Events)	6	0
7	Associated organization contributions	7	
8	ADVERTISEMENT	8	6,300
9	DISASTER RELIEF	9	881
10		10	
11	Total	11	7,181

Part I, Line 4 (990-EZ) - Investment Income

1	Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	1	3
2	Dividends and interest from securities	2	
3	Gross rents	3	
4	Other investment income	4	
5	Total	5	3

Part I, Line 16 (990-EZ) - Other Expenses

15,240

1	Travel, Meals and Entertainment		
	a Travel	1a	1,647
	b Total meals and entertainment	1b	
2	Fundraising	2	
3	From Form 4562 - Amortization	3	
4	Conferences, conventions, and meetings	4	1,250
5	Depreciation, depletion, etc.	5	
6	Equipment rental and maintenance	6	
7	Interest	7	
8	Supplies	8	
9	Telephone	9	915
10	Unrelated business income taxes	10	0
11	Security system	11	
12	Office supplies, printing & stationery, postage & shipping	12	1,331
13	Fund raising expenses	13	4,500
14	Entertainment	14	
15	Bank charges	15	533
16	Travel	16	
17	NYS report fee	17	
18	Advertisement	18	1,000
19	Rent-department of Education	19	64
20	Bangladesh office	20	4,000
21		21	
22		22	
23		23	
24		24	
25		25	
26		26	

Part II, Line 24 (990-EZ) - Other Assets

3,225

0

Description		Beginning	End
1	OTHER ASSETS	3,225	
2			
3			
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Part II, Line 26 (990-EZ) - Liabilities

1,400

9,930

	Description	Beginning	End
1	Shamsher Ali, Director		
2	Nazrul Haque	200	
3	Mohammed A Wadud	200	
4	Mohammed A Bhuiyan	200	
5	Mohammed M Miah		1,000
6	Minhaz Ahmed	200	
7	Nazrul Islam		
8	Mohammed Choudhury	200	1,000
9	Asef Bari		
10	Mohammad Ali		894
11	Iqbal Chowdhury		
12	Shamim Ahmed		
13	Mohammed Z Chowdhury		
14	Fahim Reza Nur	200	1,000
15	M.A.G. Chowdhury Khashru	200	
16	Other		6,036
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19			
20			

Form CHAR500	Annual Filing for Charitable Organizations New York State Department of Law (Office of the Attorney General) Charities Bureau - Registration Section 120 Broadway New York, NY 10271 http://www.oag.state.ny.us/bureaus/charities/about.html	2008
This form used for Article 7-A, EPTL and dual filers (replaces forms CHAR 497, CHAR 010 and CHAR 006)		Open to Public Inspection

1. General Information

a. For the fiscal year beginning (mm/dd/yyyy) <u>01/01</u> / 2008 and ending (mm/dd/yyyy) <u>12/31/2008</u>		
b. Check if applicable for NYS: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial filing <input type="checkbox"/> Final filing <input type="checkbox"/> Amended filing <input type="checkbox"/> NY registration pending	c. Name of organization <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p style="text-align: center; margin: 0;">THE OPTIMISTS, INC.</p> <p style="font-size: 8pt; margin: 0;">Number and street (or P.O. box if mail not delivered to street address) Room/suite</p> <p style="margin: 0;">C/O MUHAMMED CHOUDHURY, 25-78 31ST ST</p> <p style="font-size: 8pt; margin: 0;">City or town, state or country and zip + 4</p> <p style="margin: 0;">ASTORIA, NY 11102</p> </div>	d. Fed. employer ID no. (EIN) (##-####-####) <p style="text-align: center; margin: 0;">11-3571622</p> e. NY State registration no. (###-###-###) f. Telephone number <p style="text-align: center; margin: 0;">718-278-4953</p> g. Email

2. Certification - Two Signatures Required

We certify under penalties of perjury that we reviewed this report, including all attachments, and to the best of our knowledge and belief, they are true, correct and complete in accordance with the laws of the State of New York applicable to this report.

a. President or Authorized Officer	Signature	MINHAZ AHMED, PRES	Title	Date
b. Chief Financial Officer or Treas.	Signature	NAZRUL ISLAM, VICE P	Title	Date

3. Annual Report Exemption Information

a. **Article 7-A** annual report exemption (Article 7-A registrants and dual registrants)
 Check if total contributions from NY State (including residents, foundations, corporations, government agencies, etc.) did not exceed \$25,000 **and** the organization did not engage a professional fund raiser (PFR) or fund raising counsel (FRC) to solicit contributions during this fiscal year.
NOTE: An organization may claim this exemption if no PFR or FRC was used **and** either: 1) it received an allocation from a federated fund, United Way or incorporated community appeal **and** contributions from other sources did not exceed \$25,000 **or** 2) it received all or substantially all of its contributions from one government agency to which it submitted an annual report similar to that required by Article 7-A.

b. **EPTL** annual report exemption (EPTL registrants and dual registrants)
 Check if gross receipts did not exceed \$25,000 **and** assets (market value) did not exceed \$25,000 at any time during this fiscal year.

For EPTL or Article-7A registrants claiming the annual report exemption under the one law under which they are registered and for dual registrants claiming the annual report exemptions under both laws, simply complete part 1 (General Information), part 2 (Certification) and part 3 (Annual Report Exemption Information) above.
Do not submit a fee, do not complete the following schedules and do not submit any attachments to this form.

4. Article 7-A Schedules

If you did **not** check the Article 7-A annual report exemption above, complete the following for this fiscal year:

a. Did the organization use a professional fund raiser, fund raising counsel or commercial co-venturer for fund raising activity in NY State? Yes* No
 * If "Yes", complete Schedule 4a.

b. Did the organization receive government contributions (grants)? Yes* No
 * If "Yes", complete Schedule 4b.

5. Fee Submitted: See last page for **summary of fee requirements.**

Indicate the filing fee(s) you are submitting along with this form:		Submit only one check or money order for the total fee, payable to "NYS Department of Law"
a. Article 7-A filing fee	\$ <u>10</u>	
b. EPTL filing fee	\$ <u>25</u>	
c. Total fee	\$ <u>35</u>	

6. Attachments - For organizations that are not claiming annual report exemptions under both laws, see last page for required attachments

Schedule 4a: Professional Fund Raisers (PFR), Fund Raising Counsels (FRC), Commercial Co-Venturers (CCV)

If you checked the box in question 4.a. on page 1, complete the following schedule for each PFR, FRC or CCV that the organization engaged for fund raising activity in NY State:

1. Type of fund raising professional (FRP):

Professional fund raiser

Fund raising counsel

Commercial co-venturer

2. Name of FRP:

Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address):

City or town, state or country and zip + 4:

3. FRP telephone number:

4. Services provided by FRP (provide description):

5. Compensation arrangement with FRP (provide description):

6. Dates of contract (mm/dd/yyyy) through (mm/dd/yyyy)

7. Amount paid to FRP \$ _____

8. If services were provided by a CCV, did the CCV provide the charitable organization with the interim report(s) required by §§ 173-a. 3 of the Executive Law?

Schedule 4b: Government Contributions (Grants)

If you checked the box in question **4.b.** on page 1, complete the following schedule for **each** government contribution (grant). Use additional copies of this page if necessary to list each government contribution (grant) separately.

Government Agency Name	Grant Amount
	\$
	\$
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	\$
Total Government Contributions (Grants)	\$ 0

5. Fee Instructions

The filing fee depends on the organization's Registration Type. For details on Registration Type and filing fees, see the Instructions for Form CHAR500.

Organization's Registration Type	Fee Instructions
Article 7-A	Calculate the Article 7-A filing fee using the table in part a below. The EPTL filing fee is \$0.
EPTL	Calculate the EPTL filing fee using the table in part b below. The Article 7-A filing fee is \$0.
Dual	Calculate both the Article 7-A and EPTL filing fees using the tables in parts a and b below. Add the Article 7-A and EPTL filing fees together to calculate the total fee. Submit a single check or money order for the total fee.

a) Article 7-A filing fee

Total Support & Revenue	Article 7-A Fee
more than \$250,000	\$25
up to \$250,000 *	\$10

* Any organization that contracted with or used the services of a professional fund raiser (PFR) or fund raising counsel (FRC) during the reporting period must pay an Article 7-A filing fee of \$25, regardless of total support and revenue.

b) EPTL filing fee

Net Worth at End of Year	EPTL Fee
Less than \$50,000	\$25
\$50,000 or more, but less than \$250,000	\$50
\$250,000 or more, but less than \$1,000,000	\$100
\$1,000,000 or more, but less than \$10,000,000	\$250
\$10,000,000 or more, but less than \$50,000,000	\$750
\$50,000,000 or more	\$1500

6. Attachments – Document Attachment Check-List

Check the boxes for the documents you are attaching.

For All Filers		
<u>Filing Fee</u>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Single check or money order payable to "NYS Department of Law"		
<u>Copies of Internal Revenue Service Forms</u>		
<input type="checkbox"/> IRS Form 990	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IRS Form 990-EZ	<input type="checkbox"/> IRS Form 990-PF
<input type="checkbox"/> All required schedules (including Schedule B)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All required schedules (including Schedule B)	<input type="checkbox"/> All required schedules (including Schedule B)
<input type="checkbox"/> IRS Form 990-T	<input type="checkbox"/> IRS Form 990-T	<input type="checkbox"/> IRS Form 990-T

Additional Article 7-A Document Attachment Requirement
<u>Independent Accountant's Report</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Audit Report (total support & revenue more than \$250,000)
<input type="checkbox"/> Review Report (total support & revenue \$100,001 to \$250,000)
<input type="checkbox"/> No Accountant's Report Required (total support & revenue not more than \$100,000)