

**Short Form  
 Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

Under section 501(c),527,or 4847(a)(1)of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)  
 For organizations with gross receipts less than \$100,000 and total assets less than \$250,000 at the end of the year.  
 The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

**A For the 2012 calendar year, or tax year beginning September 1, 2013 and ending August 31, 2014.**

**B** NA

**C** Name of organization  
**Dallas Poets Community-A Non-Profit Corporation**  
 P.O Box 700865  
 Dallas, Texas 75370-0865

**D** Employer ID Number  
 47-0847506

**E** Telephone Number  
 None

**F** Group Exemption Number

**G** Accounting method - Cash

**H** Organization is not  
 required to attach  
 Schedule B

**I** Website: **www.dallaspoetscom.org**

**J** Organization type - 501(c)(3)

**K** Form of organization - corporation.

**L** Gross receipts = \$395; if \$200,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ.

**Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances**

1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	115
2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	0
3	Membership dues and assessments	3	280
4	Investment income	4	0
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	5c	0
6	Gaming and fundraising events		
a	Gross revenue from gaming	6a	
b	Gross income from fundraising events (Poetry Contest)	6b	0
c	Less: Direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events	6c	0
d	Net Income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (line 6a and 6b less line 6c)	6d	0
7a	Gross sales of inventory less returns & allowances (Illya's Honey)	7a	0
b	Less: cost of goods sold	7b	0
c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of Inventory (line 7a less line 7b)	7c	0
8	Other revenue (describe)	8	0
9	<b>Total revenue</b> (add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8)	9	395
10	Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule)	10	0
11	Benefits paid to or for members	11	0
12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	0
13	Professional fees and other payments to Independent contractors	13	0
14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance – PO Box	14	0
15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	0
16	Other expenses – Internet-related, equip, dinner & fliers	16	146
17	<b>Total expenses</b> (add lines 10 through 16)	17	146

18 Excess or (deficit) for the year (line 9 less line 17)	18	249
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	1,767
20 Other changes in net assets or fund balances	20	0
21 Net assets or fund balances at end of year (combine lines 18 through 20)	21	2,016

**Part II Balance Sheets**

	(A)Beginning of year	(B)End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	1,767	2,016
23 Land and buildings	0	0
24 Other assets	0	0
25 Total assets	1,767	2,016
26 Total liabilities	0	0
27 Net assets or fund balances	1,767	2,016

**Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments**

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? 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. **See Attached for Part III Comments.**

Note: no domestic or foreign grants were received.

	Expenses
28	28a 0
29	29a 0
30	30a 0
31	31a 0
32 Total program service expenses	32 0

**Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees** List each one even if not compensated

(A) Name and title	(B) average hours per week devoted to position	(C) Compensation (If not paid, enter-0-.)	(D) Health benefits	(E) Estimated amount of other compensation
Ann Howells Director and President	0	0	0	0
Melanie Fruit-Helsem Director and Vice President	0	0	0	0
Neal Ostman Treasurer	0	0	0	0
Alan Gann Director and Secretary	0	0	0	0
Valerie Crowe, Director	0	0	0	0
Jack Ritter, Director	0	0	0	0

**Part V Other Information**

33 Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity. NO

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. NO

35a Did the organization have unrelated business income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities, such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a (among others)? NO

b If yes... NA

- c Was the organization a section 501c(4), 501c(5) or 501c(6)? NO
- 36 Was there a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of assets during the year? (If "Yes," attach a statement.) NO
- 37a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the Instructions. NONE
  - b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year? NA
- 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
  - b If "Yes," attach the schedule specified in the line 38 instructions and enter the amount involved. NA
- 39a Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter: a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9. NA
  - b Gross receipts. Included on line 9, for public use of club facilities. NONE
- 40a Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter: Amount of tax Imposed on the organization during the year under; section 4911 NONE; section 4912 NONE; section 4955 NONE
  - b 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," attach an explanation NO
  - c Section 501 c(3) and (4) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under 4912,4955, and 4958 NONE
  - d Enter: Amount of tax on line 40c, above, reimbursed by the organization. NA
  - e All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? NO
- 41List the states with which a copy of this return is filed. NONE, For publication only.
- 42a The organization's books are in care of Ann Howells
  - b The organization had no foreign interest, signatory or other authority.
  - c The organization did not maintain an office outside of the U.S.
- 43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ In lieu of Form 1041 NA
- 44a The organization did not maintain any donor advised funds.
  - b The organization did not operate any hospital.
  - c The organization did not receive any payments for indoor tanning services.
  - d NA
- 45a The organization has no related organizations or controlled entities.
  - b NA
- 46 The organization did not engage in any political campaign activities.

**Part VI Section 501 (c) (3) organizations only**

- 47 The organization did not engage in any lobbying activities.
- 48 The organization is not operating as a school.
- 49. a The organization did not make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable organization.
- 50. No one in the organization receives compensation of any kind.
- 51. The organization has no independent contractors.

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.

Sign  
Here

Ann Howells  
President

**Schedules and Comments for 990-EZ 2012 Income Tax  
Dallas Poets Community - A Non-Profit Corporation  
Fiscal Year ended August 31, 2014**

**Part III**

**Organization's primary exempt purpose** - literary and educational  
Program Service Accomplishments:

1. Guided Poetry Workshop second and fourth Wednesdays at Half-Price Books, Dallas - everyone is welcome to bring poetry for the group to critique. Encouragement is given and suggestions for possible venues for the poet's work. We have attracted several beginning poets during the past year. No fees or org. expense.
2. First Friday Open Mic at Half-Price Books, Dallas - An accomplished poet is featured (this year we had several nationally-recognized poets), followed by an open mic (limit three poems or five minutes). Dinner is provided for featured poets traveling long distances to read for free. Org. expense \$27.
3. Illya's Honey, an organization-sponsored poetry journal, receives worldwide submissions and is now published quarterly. Everyone is invited to submit. Organization members review an average of 200 poems quarterly to select the best approximately 50 poems to be published. Illya's Honey was re-established as an on-line poetry journal October 1, 2013. Org. expense \$50.
4. Nominations for [National] Pushcart Awards are made via organization's publication, Illya's Honey. Our nominations recognize exceptional poems of poets who have been published in Illya's Honey during the previous year. No fees or org. expense.
5. Org. members represent the organization at various festivals and poetry conferences/workshops in Texas and surrounding States, i.e., Woodie Guthrie Festival, the Langdon weekend and the Austin International Poetry Festival. No fees or org. expense.
6. Org. member provides a bi-monthly open mic for at-risk youth. No fees or org. expense.
7. Org. members were published in and participated in the Texas Poetry Calendar readings around the State to promote poetry in Texas. Also hosted a Texas Poetry Calendar reading at First Friday Open Mic. No fees or org. expense.
8. Org. member developed and is maintaining the new DPC website [www.dallaspoetscom.org](http://www.dallaspoetscom.org).
9. Org. members manage the DPC Facebook page with updates and photos. No fees or org. expense.
10. Org. members attended Round Top Poetry Festival, participated in readings and provided submission guidelines and literature on Dallas Poets Community. Members donated several literary-connected items to the silent auction (to raise money for Round Top) and all bid on items. No fees or org. expense.
11. Org. members teach a poetry writing class at a Senior Center. Other org. members participate intermittently as guest lecturers. Org. members also speak at elementary, middle and high schools and colleges.
12. Five workshop members published full-length collections this year (one Lamar University Press, one Inkbrush Press Indies and one Old Seventy Creek Press)

Total Organization Expenses for Program Service Accomplishments \$77.