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May 4, 2026

F.O.C.U.S. GREATER SYRACUSE, INC.  
300 S. STATE STREET Suite 520  
SYRACUSE, NY 13202

Dear Client:

Enclosed for your review:

Form 990-EZ                      2025 Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax

Each tax return or form listed above should be filed in accordance with the enclosed filing instructions.

Please be sure to call us if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Nicolini

Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

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

2025

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Do not enter social security numbers on this form, as it may be made public.

Go to www.irs.gov/Form990EZ for instructions and the latest information.

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A For the 2025 calendar year, or tax year beginning , 2025, and ending

B Check if applicable:

- Address change
Name change
Initial return
Final return/terminated
Amended return
Application pending

C F.O.C.U.S. GREATER SYRACUSE, INC.
300 S. STATE STREET #520
SYRACUSE, NY 13202



D Employer identification number

16-1606023

E Telephone number

(315) 448-8732

F Group Exemption Number

G Accounting Method: Cash Accrued Other (specify):

I Website: www.focussyracuse.org

H Check if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990).

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

K Form of organization: Corporation Trust Association Other:

L Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets (Part II, column (B)) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ \$ 161,207.

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (see the instructions for Part I)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I X

Table with 3 columns: Description, Line Number, Amount. Rows include Revenue (1-9), Expenses (10-17), and Net Assets (18-21).

BAA For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.



**Part V Other Information** (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in the instructions for Part V.) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V. See Sch O

		Yes	No
<b>33</b> Did the organization engage in any significant activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O.			X
<b>34</b> Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name. Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O. See instructions.			X
<b>35a</b> Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)?			X
<b>b</b> If "Yes" to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O			X
<b>c</b> Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III.			X
<b>36</b> Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N.			X
<b>37a</b> Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions. <span style="float: right;">37a 0.</span>			
<b>b</b> Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?			X
<b>38a</b> 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 outstanding at the end of the tax year covered by this return?			X
<b>b</b> If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II, and enter the total amount involved.			
<b>39</b> Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:			
<b>a</b> Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9.	39a	0.	
<b>b</b> Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities.	39b	0.	
<b>40a</b> Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911: 0.; section 4912: 0.; section 4955: 0.			
<b>b</b> Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year, or did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I.			X
<b>c</b> Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958. <span style="float: right;">0.</span>			
<b>d</b> Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization. <span style="float: right;">0.</span>			
<b>e</b> 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.			X
<b>41</b> List the states with which a copy of this return is filed: <u>NY</u>			

**42a** The organization's books are in care of: RYAN DELAO Telephone no. (315) 448-8732  
 Located at: 300 S. STATE STREET SUITE 520 SYRACUSE NY ZIP + 4 13202

		Yes	No
<b>b</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: _____			X
See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).			
<b>c</b> At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside the United States? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: _____			X

**43** Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 — Check here.  N/A and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year. 43  N/A

		Yes	No
<b>44a</b> Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ.			X
<b>b</b> Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ.			X
<b>c</b> Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?			X
<b>d</b> If "Yes" to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O.			
<b>45a</b> Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?			X
<b>b</b> Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ. See instructions.			X

46	Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I.	Yes	No
			X

**Part VI Section 501(c)(3) Organizations Only**

All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 47-49b and 52, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI.

47	Did the organization engage in lobbying activities or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II.	Yes	No
			X
48	Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E.	Yes	No
			X
49a	Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?	Yes	No
			X
49b	b If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?	Yes	No
			X

50 Complete this table for the organization's 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 title of each employee	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
None				

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000. ....

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

(a) Name and business address of each independent contractor	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
None		

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000. ....

52 Did the organization complete Schedule A? **Note:** All section 501(c)(3) organizations must attach a completed Schedule A.  Yes  No

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

<b>Sign Here</b>	Signature of officer		Date		
	RYAN DELAO Officer's name and title		Treasurer		
<b>Paid Preparer Use Only</b>	Preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN
	Michael J. Nicolini	Michael J. Nicolini	5/4/2026		P02183256
	Firm's name	PIAKER & LYONS		Firm's EIN	16-1383205
	Firm's address	100 Elwood Davis Rd N Syracuse, NY 13212		Phone no.	(315) 471-8109

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

**SCHEDULE A**  
**(Form 990)**

**Public Charity Status and Public Support**  
Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.  
Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.  
Go to [www.irs.gov/Form990](http://www.irs.gov/Form990) for instructions and the latest information.

OMB No. 1545-0047

**2025**

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Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization: **F.O.C.U.S. GREATER SYRACUSE, INC.** Employer identification number: **16-1606023**

**Part I Reason for Public Charity Status.** (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.

- The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 12, check only one box.)
- 1  A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).**
  - 2  A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).** (Attach Schedule E (Form 990).)
  - 3  A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).**
  - 4  A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).** Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: \_\_\_\_\_
  - 5  An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv).** (Complete Part II.)
  - 6  A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).**
  - 7  An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
  - 8  A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
  - 9  An agricultural research organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ix)** operated in conjunction with a land-grant college or university or a non-land-grant college of agriculture (see instructions). Enter the name, city, and state of the college or university: \_\_\_\_\_
  - 10  An organization that normally receives (1) more than 33-1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions, subject to certain exceptions; and (2) no more than 33-1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2).** (Complete Part III.)
  - 11  An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4).**
  - 12  An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2).** See **section 509(a)(3).** Check the box on lines 12a through 12d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 12e, 12f, and 12g.
    - a  **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization. **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
    - b  **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
    - c  **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
    - d  **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization must generally satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
    - e  Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization.
    - f Enter the number of supported organizations: \_\_\_\_\_
    - g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s): \_\_\_\_\_

	(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-10 above (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
				Yes	No		
(A)							
(B)							
(C)							
(D)							
(E)							
<b>Total</b>							

**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 or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2021	(b) 2022	(c) 2023	(d) 2024	(e) 2025	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	97,155.	55,495.	111,436.	39,083.	67,905.	371,074.
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						0.
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge	14,100.	14,100.	14,100.	11,700.	12,340.	66,340.
4 <b>Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 3	111,255.	69,595.	125,536.	50,783.	80,245.	437,414.
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)						0.
6 <b>Public support.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4						437,414.

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2021	(b) 2022	(c) 2023	(d) 2024	(e) 2025	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	111,255.	69,595.	125,536.	50,783.	80,245.	437,414.
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources	2,848.	-3,937.	6,957.	7,175.	8,364.	21,407.
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 VI.)						0.
11 <b>Total support.</b> Add lines 7 through 10						458,821.
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	0.

13 **First 5 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 2025 (line 6, column (f), divided by line 11, column (f))	14	95.33 %
15 Public support percentage from 2024 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	96.32 %

16a **33-1/3% support test—2025.** If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33-1/3% or more, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization.

b **33-1/3% support test—2024.** If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33-1/3% or more, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization.

17a **10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2025.** If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test, check this box and **stop here.** Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization.

b **10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2024.** If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test, check this box and **stop here.** Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization.

18 **Private foundation.** If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions.

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

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 10 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2021, (b) 2022, (c) 2023, (d) 2024, (e) 2025, (f) Total. Rows include: 1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received; 2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed; 3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business; 4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit; 5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit; 6 Total; 7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons; 7b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons; 8 Public support.

Section B. Total Support

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2021, (b) 2022, (c) 2023, (d) 2024, (e) 2025, (f) Total. Rows include: 9 Amounts from line 6; 10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources; 10b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975; 10c Add lines 10a and 10b; 11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included on line 10b; 12 Other income; 13 Total support.

14 First 5 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

Table with 2 columns: Line number, Percentage. Row 15: Public support percentage for 2025 (line 8, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f)). Row 16: Public support percentage from 2024 Schedule A, Part III, line 15.

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

Table with 2 columns: Line number, Percentage. Row 17: Investment income percentage for 2025 (line 10c, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f)). Row 18: Investment income percentage from 2024 Schedule A, Part III, line 17.

19a 33-1/3% support tests—2025. 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—2024. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33-1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33-1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization.

20 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions.

**Part IV Supporting Organizations**

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

**Section A. All Supporting Organizations**

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

**Part IV Supporting Organizations** (continued)

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

**Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations**

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

**Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations**

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

**Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations**

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

**Section E. Type III Functionally Integrated Supporting Organizations**

- Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions).
  - The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete **line 2** below.
  - The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete **line 3** below.
  - The organization supported a governmental supported organization. Describe in **Part VI** how you supported a governmental supported organization (see instructions).

2 Activities Test. Answer lines 2a and 2b below.

	Yes	No
a Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of its supported organization(s)? If "Yes," then in <b>Part VI</b> identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to each of its supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.		
2a		
b Did the activities described on line 2a, above, constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? If "Yes," explain in <b>Part VI</b> the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.		
2b		
3 Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer lines 3a, 3b, and 3c below.		
a Are the organization and its supported organization(s) part of an integrated system (for example, a hospital system)? If "Yes," provide details in <b>Part VI</b> .		
3a		
b Did the organization direct the policies, programs, and activities of each of its supported organizations? If "Yes," describe in <b>Part VI</b> the role played by the organization in this regard.		
3b		
c Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect (and remove) a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? If "Yes" or "No," provide details in <b>Part VI</b> .		
3c		

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

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

<b>Section A – Adjusted Net Income</b>		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Net short-term capital gain	1	
2	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2	
3	Other gross income (see instructions)	3	
4	Add lines 1 through 3.	4	
5	Depreciation and depletion	5	
6	Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	6	
7	Other expenses (see instructions)	7	
8	<b>Adjusted Net Income</b> (subtract lines 5, 6, and 7 from line 4)	8	

<b>Section B – Minimum Asset Amount</b>		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year):		
a	Average monthly value of securities	1a	
b	Average monthly cash balances	1b	
c	Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c	
d	<b>Total</b> (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d	
e	<b>Discount</b> claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in Part VI):		
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt-use assets	2	
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d.	3	
4	Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 0.015 of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4	
5	Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5	
6	Multiply line 5 by 0.035.	6	
7	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7	
8	<b>Minimum Asset Amount</b> (add line 7 to line 6)	8	

<b>Section C – Distributable Amount</b>			Current Year
1	Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, column A)	1	
2	Enter 0.85 of line 1.	2	
3	Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, column A)	3	
4	Enter greater of line 2 or line 3.	4	
5	Income tax imposed in prior year	5	
6	<b>Distributable Amount.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions).	6	
7	<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions).		

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

Section D – Distributions		Current Year
1	Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes	1
2	Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	2
3	Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	3
4	Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	4
5	Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required – provide details in Part VI)	5
6	<b>Total annual distributions.</b> Add lines 1 through 5.	6
7	Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI). See instructions.	7
8	Distributable amount for 2025 from Section C, line 6	8
9	Line 7 amount divided by line 8 amount	9

Section E – Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2025	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2025
1	Distributable amount for 2025 from Section C, line 6		
2	Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2025 (reasonable cause required – explain in Part VI). See instructions.		
3	Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2025		
a	From 2020.....		
b	From 2021.....		
c	From 2022.....		
d	From 2023.....		
e	From 2024.....		
f	<b>Total</b> of lines 3a through 3e		
g	Applied to underdistributions of prior years		
h	Applied to 2025 distributable amount		
i	Carryover from 2020 not applied (see instructions)		
j	Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from line 3f.		
4	Distributions for 2025 from Section D, line 6:                     \$		
a	Applied to underdistributions of prior years		
b	Applied to 2025 distributable amount		
c	Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from line 4.		
5	Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2025, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.		
6	Remaining underdistributions for 2025. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.		
7	<b>Excess distributions carryover to 2026.</b> Add lines 3j and 4c.		
8	Breakdown of line 7:		
a	Excess from 2021.....		
b	Excess from 2022.....		
c	Excess from 2023.....		
d	Excess from 2024.....		
e	Excess from 2025.....		

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**Part VI**

**Supplemental Information.** Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; Part III, line 12; Part IV, Section A, lines 1, 2, 3b, 3c, 4b, 4c, 5a, 6, 9a, 9b, 9c, 11a, 11b, and 11c; Part IV, Section B, lines 1 and 2; Part IV, Section C, line 1; Part IV, Section D, lines 2 and 3; Part IV, Section E, lines 1c, 2a, 2b, 3a, 3b, and 3c; Part V, line 1; Part V, Section B, line 1e; Part V, Section D, lines 5 and 7; and Part V, Section E, lines 2, 5, and 6. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions.)

**Schedule B  
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**Schedule of Contributors**

Attach to Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF.  
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Name of the organization <b>F.O.C.U.S. GREATER SYRACUSE, INC.</b>	Employer identification number <b>16-1606023</b>
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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 an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, contributions totaling \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II. See instructions for determining a contributor's total contributions.

**Special Rules**

For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33-1/3% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of (1) \$5,000; or (2) 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h; or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.

For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I (entering "N/A" in column (b) instead of the contributor name and address), II, and III.

For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled 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. Don't complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received *nonexclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Caution:** An organization that isn't covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules doesn't file Schedule B (Form 990), but it **must** answer "No" on Part IV, line 2, of its Form 990; or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ or on its Form 990-PF, Part I, line 2, to certify that it doesn't meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990).

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**Part I Contributors** (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY 900 S CROUSE AVE SYRACUSE, NY 13244	\$ 7,500.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
2	NATIONAL GRID 300 ERIE BLVD W SYRACUSE, NY 13202	\$ 8,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
3	CNY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION 431 E FAYETTE ST., SUITE 100 SYRACUSE, NY 13202	\$ 11,251.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
4	RITA L. REICHER 220 STANDISH DRIVE SYRACUSE, NY 13224	\$ 6,100.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
5	CITY OF SYRACUSE DEPT OF FINANCE ONE PARK PL, 300 S STATE ST, 7F SYRACUSE, NY 13202	\$ 10,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
		\$	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)





**SCHEDULE G**  
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**Supplemental Information Regarding Fundraising or Gaming Activities**

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

Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

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**Part I**

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

**1** Indicate whether the organization raised funds through any of the following activities. Check all that apply.

- a**  Mail solicitations
- b**  Internet and email solicitations
- c**  Phone solicitations
- d**  In-person solicitations
- e**  Solicitation of nongovernment grants
- f**  Solicitation of government grants
- g**  Special fundraising events

**2a** Did the organization have a written or oral agreement with any individual (including officers, directors, trustees, or key employees listed in Form 990, Part VII) or entity in connection with professional fundraising services?  Yes  No

**b** If "Yes," list the 10 highest paid individuals or entities (fundraisers) pursuant to agreements under which the fundraiser is to be compensated at least \$5,000 by the organization.

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

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

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

		(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other events	(d) Total events
		<u>SPECIAL EVENTS</u> (event type)	(event type)	None (total number)	(add col. (a) through col. (c))
Revenue	1	Gross receipts.....	47,622.		47,622.
	2	Less: Contributions.....			
	3	Gross income (line 1 minus line 2).....	47,622.		47,622.
Direct Expenses	4	Cash prizes.....			
	5	Noncash prizes.....			
	6	Rent/facility costs.....			
	7	Food and beverages.....			
	8	Entertainment.....			
	9	Other direct expenses.....	9,901.		9,901.
	10	Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d).....			9,901.
	11	Net income summary. Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d).....			37,721.

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

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

9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization conducts gaming activities: \_\_\_\_\_

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

b If "No," explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

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

b If "Yes," explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

- 11 Does the organization conduct gaming activities with nonmembers?  Yes  No
- 12 Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary, or trustee of a trust; or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming?  Yes  No

13 Indicate the percentage of gaming activity conducted in:

a The organization's facility	13 a	%
b An outside facility	13 b	%

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

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

16 Gaming manager information:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Gaming manager compensation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Description of services provided \_\_\_\_\_

Director/officer  Employee  Independent contractor

17 Mandatory distributions:

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

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

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

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**Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 5c  
Net Gain (Loss) from Noninventory Sales**

Publicly Traded Securities

Gross Sales Price: 42,514.  
Cost or Other Basis: 36,687.

Total Gain (Loss) Publicly Traded Securities \$ 5,827.

Total Net Gain (Loss) From Noninventory Sales \$ 5,827.

**Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16  
Other Expenses**

Insurance.....	\$	1,430.
INTERNET & WEBSITE.....		3,280.
OFFICE SUPPLIES.....		8,516.
OTHER PROGRAM EXPENSES.....		23,693.
	Total \$	<u>36,919.</u>

**Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 20  
Other Changes In Net Assets Or Fund Balances**

Net Unrealized Gains and Losses on Investments.....	\$	-629.
	Total \$	<u>-629.</u>

**Form 990-EZ, Part III - Organization's Primary Exempt Purpose**

FOCUS GREATER SYRACUSE, INC. IS A COMMUNITY-WIDE VISIONING PROGRAM THAT WAS  
CREATED WITH THE GOAL OF MAKING SYRACUSE A BETTER PLACE TO LIVE.

**Form 990-EZ, Part IV  
List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees**

Name and Title	Average Hours Per Week Devoted	Compen- sation	Health Benefits & Contrib- ution to EBP & DC	Estimated Amount Of Other Compen.
REGINALD T. BRAGGS Director	1	\$ 0.	\$ 0.	\$ 0.
RYAN R. DELAO Treasurer	1	0.	0.	0.
LISA A. HART Director	1	0.	0.	0.

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**List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees**

Name and Title	Average Hours Per Week Devoted	Compen- sation	Health Benefits & Contrib- ution to EBP & DC	Estimated Amount Of Other Compen.
LYNNESSA JOYNER-ROBINSON Secretary	1	\$ 0.	\$ 0.	0.
SONALI MCINTYRE Director	1	0.	0.	0.
EMILY MINNOE Director	1	0.	0.	0.
GERIANNE CORRADINO Vice President	1	0.	0.	0.
AMY ROOD Director	1	0.	0.	0.
BRIAN FAY Director	1	0.	0.	0.
SAM GORDON Director	1	0.	0.	0.
RITA REICHER President	10	0.	0.	0.
WILLIAM SANFORD Director	1	0.	0.	0.
MATTHEW OJA Director	1	0.	0.	0.
DONALD RADKE Director	1	0.	0.	0.
MICHAEL STANTON Director	1	0.	0.	0.
CARRIE CARAPPELLA Director	1	0.	0.	0.
GREG RILEY Director	1	0.	0.	0.
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 0.</b>	<b>\$ 0.</b>	<b>\$ 0.</b>

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**Form 990-EZ, Part V - Regarding Transfers Associated with Personal Benefit Contracts**

(a) Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?..... No

(b) Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?..... No