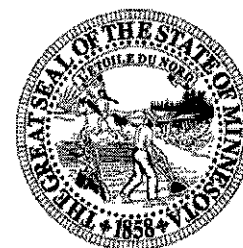


Minnesota Attorney General's Office  
Charities Division  
445 Minnesota Street, Suite 1200  
St. Paul, MN 55101-2130

**Website Address**  
*www.ag.state.mn.us/charity*

**STATE OF MINNESOTA**  
**CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION**  
**INITIAL REGISTRATION FORM**  
**INSTRUCTIONS**

(Pursuant to Minn. Stat. ch. 309)



**WHO SHOULD FILE**

**A charitable organization must file a registration statement if any of the following are true:**

- **The organization receives or plans to receive more than \$25,000 in total contributions from the public during an accounting year.**
- **The organization's functions and activities are not performed wholly by volunteers (i.e. it pays staff, independent contractors, officers, etc.).**
- **The organization employs a professional fundraiser.**

A "charitable organization" is a person who engages in or purports to engage in solicitation for a charitable purpose. See Minn. Stat. 309.50, subd. 5. "Solicit" and "solicitation" have the meanings set forth in Minn. Stat. § 309.50, subd. 10 and include oral or written requests.

Please refer to the definitions set forth in Minn. Stat. § 309.50 when completing registration and report forms.

**WHEN TO FILE**

An organization must register before it solicits contributions. Solicitation prior to registration may result in the imposition of civil penalties up to \$25,000 for each violation of Minn. Stat. ch. 309.

**WHAT TO FILE**

**If submitting these forms via mail, please do not use staples.**

- Charitable Organization Initial Registration Form.
- A copy of the organization's Articles of Incorporation.
- A copy of the IRS letter notifying the organization of its tax-exempt status (if applicable).
- A full list of the organization's board of directors, including names, addresses, and total compensation paid to each.
- IRS Form 990, 990-EZ, 990-PF, or 990-N (plus all schedules and attachments) or financial statement (Section B of registration form) for the organization's most recent fiscal year-end.
- \$25 registration fee.



**CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION INITIAL REGISTRATION FORM  
INSTRUCTIONS  
(Continued)**

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**HOW TO FILE**

**This form may be submitted via email and the fee may be paid electronically.**

- The form and all attachments should be emailed to *charity.registration@ag.state.mn.us*. The email and attachments can be **no larger than 25 MB**. The subject line of the email must contain the organization's name. If the materials you are submitting are more than 25 MB, submit the attachments in separate emails properly labeled in the subject line (e.g., email 1 of 3).
- Documents must be in PDF format and named in an identifying manner (e.g., Charity Initial Registration).
- You will receive an automatically generated confirmation email. Receipt of the email confirms only that this Office received your submission and is not an attestation regarding the validity or completeness of the submitted materials.
- You may pay the \$25 registration fee via credit card at [www.ag.state.mn.us/Charity/CharFees.aspx](http://www.ag.state.mn.us/Charity/CharFees.aspx), or you may submit a check via U.S. mail. If paying by check, make the check payable to "State of Minnesota."

**PLEASE NOTE**

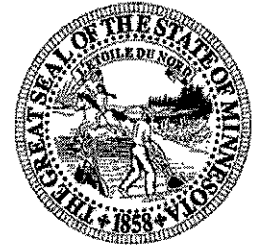
- Some organizations may be exempt from registration and reporting. See Minn. Stat. § 309.515 for more information.
- An organization may submit the Unified Registration Statement, but it must also file the Minnesota Supplement.
- Include all required attachments. Registration statements and reports that fail to include all required attachments will be considered deficient and will not be effective until all required materials are received by the Minnesota Attorney General's Office. You will be informed of your registration status by letter from the Minnesota Attorney General's Office.
- Failure to maintain registration while soliciting may result in the imposition of civil penalties up to \$25,000 for each violation of Minn. Stat. ch. 309.
- **NOTICE: All information and documentation provided as part of registration and reporting shall be public records.**

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**STATE OF MINNESOTA**  
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**INITIAL REGISTRATION FORM**

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**SECTION A: Organization Information**

**Legal Name of Organization** The Lighthouse

**Federal EIN:** 30-0988586

**Most Recent Fiscal Year-End:** 12/31/2019  
mm/dd/yyyy

<b>Mailing Address:</b>	<b>Physical Address:</b>
<u>Saintanne Tipton</u>	<u>Saintanne Tipton</u>
Contact Person	Contact Person
<u>2025 North 4th Street</u>	<u>2025 North 4th Street</u>
Street Address	Street Address
<u>Minneapolis, MN 55411</u>	<u>Minneapolis, MN 55411</u>
City, State, and Zip Code	City, State, and Zip Code
Phone Number	Phone Number
Email Address	Email Address

1. Organization's website: www.thelighthousehaiti.org

2. List all of the organization's alternate and former names (attach list if more space is needed).

\_\_\_\_\_  Alternate  Former  
 \_\_\_\_\_  Alternate  Former

3. List all names under which the organization solicits contributions (attach list if more space is needed).

The Lighthouse  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

4. Type of legal entity:

Corporation  Partnership  
 Sole Proprietorship  Unincorporated Association  
 Limited Liability Company  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Is the organization incorporated pursuant to Minn. Stat. ch. 317A?  Yes  No

6. Place and date of organization/incorporation: Minnesota 2/13/2017  
State Date



CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION INITIAL REGISTRATION FORM (Continued)

7. What is the organization's tax-exempt status? [X] 501(c)3 [ ] Status Pending [ ] Not Tax-Exempt
If the organization's tax-exempt status is pending, identify the date the organization submitted Form 1023 to the Internal Revenue Service:

8. Does the organization use a fiscal agent? [ ] Yes [X] No
If yes, identify fiscal agent's name, address, and Federal EIN:

9. Address of principal office in Minnesota, or, if none, the name and address of the person who has custody of books and records:

Saintanne Tipton

Table with 3 columns: Contact Person, Phone Number, Email Address. Row 1: 2025 North 4th Street, Minneapolis, MN 55411

10. Explain in detail the organization's charitable purpose(s) (attach explanation if more space is needed):

To bring about a positive change in the lives of at-risk children and community through support services that directly impact their spiritual, mental and physical wellbeing. This will be achieved through the provision of residential, educational, vocational, counseling and personal development.

Attached

11. What methods of solicitation does the organization anticipate using? Check all that apply.

- Telemarketing, Direct Mail, Door-to-Door Solicitation, Thrift Store, Other (describe):, Publication/Magazine, Email, Website, Social Media, Show/Concert/Event, Discount Coupons, Radio, Vehicle Donations

12. Total amount of contributions the organization anticipates receiving from Minnesota donors: \$25,000

13. Has the organization been denied the right to solicit contributions by any court or government agency? [ ] Yes [X] No If yes, attach explanation.

14. Does the organization use the services of a professional fundraiser (outside solicitor or consultant) to solicit contributions in Minnesota? [ ] Yes [X] No

If yes, provide the following information for each (attach list if more space is needed):

Table with 2 columns: Name of Professional Fundraiser, Compensation. Row 1: Street Address, City, State, and Zip Code



**CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION INITIAL REGISTRATION FORM**  
(Continued)

**SECTION B: Financial Information**

An organization may submit a copy of its IRS Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF in lieu of completing Section B. If an organization has not yet filed an IRS return, it must provide preliminary financials for its most recent fiscal year-end.

- Is an IRS Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF attached?  Yes  No If no, provide the following information:

**INCOME**

1. Contributions Received	\$ 18,963.00	1
2. Government Grants	\$ 0.00	2
3. Program Service Revenue	\$ 0.00	3
4. Other Revenue	\$ 0.00	4
<b>5. TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 18,963.00</b>	<b>5</b>

**EXPENSES**

6. Program Expenses	\$ 0.00	6
7. Management & General Expenses	\$ 5,035.00	7
8. Fund-raising Expenses	\$ 0.00	8
<b>9. TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 5,035.00</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>10. EXCESS or DEFICIT</b>	<b>\$ 13,928.00</b>	<b>10</b>

(Line 5 minus Line 9)

**ASSETS**

11. Cash	\$ 16,892.00	11
12. Land, Buildings & Equipment	\$ 0.00	12
13. Other Assets	\$ 0.00	13
<b>14. TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 16,892.00</b>	<b>14</b>

**LIABILITIES**

15. Accounts Payable	\$ 0.00	15
16. Grants Payable	\$ 0.00	16
17. Other Liabilities	\$ 0.00	17
<b>18. TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>	<b>18</b>

**FUND BALANCE/NET WORTH**

\$ 16,892.00

(Line 14 minus Line 18)



CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION INITIAL REGISTRATION FORM  
(Continued)

**Section C: Board of Directors Signatures and Acknowledgment**

The form must be executed pursuant to a resolution of the board of directors, trustees, or managing group and must be signed by two officers of the organization. See Minn. Stat. § 309.52, subd. 3.

We, the undersigned, state and acknowledge that we are duly constituted officers of this organization, being the Executive Director (Title) and Treasurer (Title) respectively, and that we execute this document on behalf of the organization pursuant to the resolution of the Board of Directors (Board of Directors, Trustees, or Managing Group) adopted on the 15 day of July, 2020, approving the contents of the document, and do hereby certify that the Board of Directors (Board of Directors, Trustees or Managing Group) has assumed, and will continue to assume, responsibility for determining matters of policy, and have supervised, and will continue to supervise, the operations and finances of the organization. We further state that the information supplied is true, correct and complete to the best of our knowledge.

Saintanne Tipton  
Name (Print)

Angela Scott  
Name (Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

Executive Director  
Title

Treasurer  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## The Lighthouse

### Mission statement:

"To bring about a positive change in the lives of at-risk children and community through support services that directly impact their spiritual, mental and physical wellbeing. This will be achieved through the provision of residential, educational, vocational, counseling and personal development."

- ▶ Serving Haitian children who have been *exposed to harm and danger*
- ▶ Serving the Haitian Community to unify the child's family or *providing educational services* so the community can care for each other as family where no family exists
- ▶ Providing a residence for children to ensure for the primary needs of *food, water, shelter, clothing and safety*
- ▶ Providing a *spiritual foundation in Christ* through bible studies, prayer, meditation, staff and volunteers who live our faith
- ▶ Providing Mental and Physical wellbeing through trained staff and professional referral partnerships. Wellness services include *culturally based cognitive behavioral counseling, medical and personal care, safety awareness, as well as activity based physical fitness*
- ▶ Providing opportunities for economic development through *school based education and vocational training*

**AMENDED 1/4/19**  
**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**  
**OF**  
**THE LIGHTHOUSE**

We, the undersigned incorporators, for the purpose of forming a nonprofit corporation under the provisions of Chapter 317A.161 of Minnesota Statutes, as amended, do hereby associate ourselves as a body of corporate and adopt the following Articles of Incorporation.

**ARTICLE I – NAME**

The name of this corporation shall be “The Lighthouse”

**ARTICLE II – REGISTERED OFFICE ADDRESS**

The corporations’ registered office is located at: 2025 North 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Minneapolis, MN 55411

**ARTICLE III – PURPOSE**

This corporation is organized exclusively for charitable purposes as specified in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, including for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

The purpose of this corporation is to bring about positive change in the lives of inner-city children in Haiti through resource assistance with support services directly impact their spiritual and physical well-being. This will be a concerted effort of The Lighthouse to identify and contribute to areas of human need. To assist individuals in their efforts to improve their spiritual and life situation.

**ARTICLE IV – LIMITATIONS**

At all times the following shall operate as conditions restricting the operations and activities of the corporations:

1. No part of the net earnings of the organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that organization shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purpose set forth in the purpose clause hereof.
2. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall constitute the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, or any initiative or referendum before the public, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including by publication or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate for public office.
3. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this document, the organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from



federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or corresponding section of any future tax code, or by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future tax code.

#### **ARTICLE V – MEMBERSHIP/BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

This corporation shall have no voting members. The eligibility, rights and obligations of the members will be determined by the organization's bylaws. The management of the affairs of the corporation shall be vested in a board of directors, as defined by the corporation's bylaws. No director shall have any right, title, or interest in or to any property of the corporation. The number of directors constituting the initial board of directors.

Members of the initial board of directors shall serve until the first annual meeting, at which their successors will be duly elected and qualified, or removed as provided in the bylaws.

#### **ARTICLE VI – PERSONAL LIABILITY**

No member, officer or director of this corporation shall be personally liable for the debts or obligations of this corporation except to the extent such person has unlawfully misappropriated funds to his or her use or benefit or is liable as a responsible party per state or federal law, nor shall any of the property of the members, officers, or directors be subject to the payment of the debts or obligations of this corporation.

#### **ARTICLE VII– DURATION**

The duration of the corporate existence shall be perpetual until dissolution.

#### **ARTICLE VIII - DISSOLUTION**

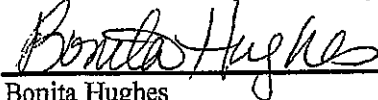
If there is dissolution of the organization, the remaining assets must be used exclusively for exempt purposes, such as charitable, religious, educational purposes.

#### **ARTICLE IX – INCORPORATORS**

In witness whereof, we, the undersigned, have hereunto subscribed our names for the purpose of forming the corporation under the laws of the State of Minnesota and certify we executed these Articles of Incorporation this October 25, 2018

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Saintanne Tipton,

1978 Bluestem Lane, Shoreview, MN 55126

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Bonita Hughes

862 Germaine Street, St. Paul, MN 55104

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE  
P. O. BOX 2508  
CINCINNATI, OH 45201

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date: **JUN 25 2019**

THE LIGHTHOUSE  
C/O SAINTANNE TIPTON  
1978 BLUESTEM LANE  
SHOREVIEW, MN 55126

Employer Identification Number:  
30-0988586  
DLN:  
17053081319049  
Contact Person:  
SHAYLA U BAKER ID# 17252  
Contact Telephone Number:  
(877) 829-5500  
Accounting Period Ending:  
December 31  
Public Charity Status:  
170(b)(1)(A)(vi)  
Form 990/990-EZ/990-N Required:  
Yes  
Effective Date of Exemption:  
February 13, 2017  
Contribution Deductibility:  
Yes  
Addendum Applies:  
No

Dear Applicant:

We're pleased to tell you we determined you're exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(3). Donors can deduct contributions they make to you under IRC Section 170. You're also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under Section 2055, 2106, or 2522. This letter could help resolve questions on your exempt status. Please keep it for your records.

Organizations exempt under IRC Section 501(c)(3) are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined you're a public charity under the IRC Section listed at the top of this letter.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that you're required to file Form 990/990-EZ/990-N, our records show you're required to file an annual information return (Form 990 or Form 990-EZ) or electronic notice (Form 990-N, the e-Postcard). If you don't file a required return or notice for three consecutive years, your exempt status will be automatically revoked.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that an addendum applies, the enclosed addendum is an integral part of this letter.

For important information about your responsibilities as a tax-exempt organization, go to [www.irs.gov/charities](http://www.irs.gov/charities). Enter "4221-PC" in the search bar to view Publication 4221-PC, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities, which describes your recordkeeping, reporting, and disclosure requirements.

Letter 947

THE LIGHTHOUSE

Sincerely,

*Stephen A. Martin*

Director, Exempt Organizations  
Rulings and Agreements

## The Lighthouse Board Members

This table shows all board members of The Lighthouse as of February 28, 2020

Name	Board Position	Date Elected	Date Seated	Term Expiration	Address	Compensation
Saintanne Tipton	Executive Director				1978 Bluestem Lane Shoreview, MN 55126	\$0.00
Charles Ellis	Chair	Oct 2018	11/1/2018	10/31/2024	427 Fisk Street St. Paul, MN 55104	\$0.00
Angela Scott	Vice-Chair/Acting Treasurer	Oct 2018	11/1/2018	10/31/2021	9129 Victoria CT Brooklyn Park, MN 55443	\$0.00
Angela Finney	Member	Jan 2020	2/01/2020	10/31/2021	511 Central Ave W St. Paul, MN 55103	\$0.00
Bonnie Hughes	Secretary	Oct 2018	11/1/2018	10/31/2024	862 Germain Street St. Paul, MN 55106	\$0.00
Joe Palen	Member	Oct 2018	11/1/2018	10/31/2024	904 Lincoln Ave St. Paul, MN 55105	\$0.00
Kerri Lewis	Member	Oct 2018	11/1/2018	10/31/2021	355 E. 43 <sup>rd</sup> St. Minneapolis, MN 55409	\$0.00
Bill Brass	Member	Oct 2018	11/1/2018	10/31/2021	8930 Jane Rd N. Lake Elmo, MN 55042	\$0.00
Jeff Hommes	Member	Sep 2019	10/1/2019	10/31/2024	536 Gilbert Rd Hudson, WI 54016	\$0.00

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

for Tax-Exempt Organization not Required to File Form 990 or 990-EZ

2019

Open to Public Inspection

**A** For the 2019 Calendar year, or tax year beginning **2019-01-01** and ending **2019-12-31****B** Check if available Terminated for Business Gross receipts are normally \$50,000 or less**C** Name of Organization: **THE LIGHTHOUSE****1978 Bluestem Lane,  
Shoreview, MN, US, 55126****D** Employee IdentificationNumber **30-0988586****E** Website:**F** Name of Principal Officer: **Saintanne Tipton****1978 Bluestem Lane,  
Shoreview, MN, US, 55126**

**Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice:** We ask for the information on this form to carry out the Internal Revenue laws of the United States. You are required to give us the information. We need it to ensure that you are complying with these laws.

The organization is not required to provide information requested on a form that is subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act unless the form displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a form or its instructions must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any Internal Revenue law. The rules governing the confidentiality of the Form 990-N is covered in code section 6104.

The time needed to complete and file this form and related schedules will vary depending on the individual circumstances. The estimated average times is 15 minutes.

**Note:** This image is provided for your records only. Do Not mail this page to the IRS. The IRS will not accept this filing via paper. You must file your Form 990-N (e-Postcard) electronically.