

Form **8879-TE**

# IRS e-file Signature Authorization for a Tax Exempt Entity

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Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

For calendar year 2021, or fiscal year beginning . . . . . 2021, and ending . . . . . 20 . . . . .

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# 2021

Name of filer LICKING COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY EIN or SSN \*\*-\*\*\*2704

Name and title of officer or person subject to tax LORAIN R RINGHISER CARLSON  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

### Part I Type of Return and Return Information

Check the box for the return for which you are using this Form 8879-TE and enter the applicable amount, if any, from the return. Form 8038-CP and Form 5330 filers may enter dollars and cents. For all other forms, enter whole dollars only. If you check the box on line 1a, 2a, 3a, 4a, 5a, 6a, 7a, 8a, 9a, or 10a below, and the amount on that line for the return being filed with this form was blank, then leave line 1b, 2b, 3b, 4b, 5b, 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, or 10b, 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 one line in Part I.

1a Form 990 check here	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	b Total revenue, if any (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1b	<u>2,061,835</u>
2a Form 990-EZ check here	<input type="checkbox"/>	b Total revenue, if any (Form 990-EZ, line 9)	2b	
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	
6a Form 990-T check here	<input type="checkbox"/>	b Total tax (Form 990-T, Part III, line 4)	6b	
7a Form 4720 check here	<input type="checkbox"/>	b Total tax (Form 4720, Part III, line 1)	7b	
8a Form 5227 check here	<input type="checkbox"/>	b FMV of assets at end of tax year (Form 5227, Item D)	8b	
9a Form 5330 check here	<input type="checkbox"/>	b Tax due (Form 5330, Part II, line 19)	9b	
10a Form 8038-CP check here	<input type="checkbox"/>	b Amount of credit payment requested (Form 8038-CP, Part III, line 22)	10b	

### Part II Declaration and Signature Authorization of Officer or Person Subject to Tax

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that  I am an officer of the above entity or  I am a person subject to tax with respect to (name of entity) \_\_\_\_\_, (EIN) \_\_\_\_\_ and that I have examined a copy of the 2021 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 electronic return. I consent to allow my intermediate service provider, transmitter, or electronic return originator (ERO) to send the return to the IRS and to receive from the IRS (a) an acknowledgement of receipt or reason for rejection of the transmission, (b) the reason for any delay in processing the return or refund, and (c) 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 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 electronic return and, if applicable, the consent to electronic funds withdrawal.

#### PIN: check one box only

I authorize SEO CPA GROUP LTD to enter my PIN 91337 as my signature  
ERO firm name Enter five numbers, but do not enter all zeros

on the tax year 2021 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 or person subject to tax with respect to the entity, I will enter my PIN as my signature on the tax year 2021 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.

Signature of officer or person subject to tax \_\_\_\_\_ Date ▶ 05/06/22

### Part III Certification and Authentication

ERO's EFIN/PIN. Enter your six-digit electronic filing identification number (EFIN) followed by your five-digit self-selected PIN.

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Do not enter all zeros

I certify that the above numeric entry is my PIN, which is my signature on the 2021 electronically filed return 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 ▶ HEATHER DOLEN, CPA Date ▶ 05/06/22

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Form **8879-TE** (2021)

**Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**  
Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

OMB No. 1545-0047  
**2021**  
Open to Public Inspection

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/Form990](http://www.irs.gov/Form990) for instructions and the latest information.

**A For the 2021 calendar year, or tax year beginning , and ending**

<b>B</b> Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	<b>C</b> Name of organization LICKING COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY		<b>D</b> Employer identification number **-***2704
	Doing business as		<b>E</b> Telephone number 740-323-2100
	Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite 825 THORNWOOD DRIVE SW		<b>G</b> Gross receipts\$ 2,475,833
	City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code HEATH OH 43056		
	<b>F</b> Name and address of principal officer: RICHARD ROGERS 13360 CALHOUN COURT PICKERINGTON OH 43147		<b>H(a)</b> Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <b>H(b)</b> Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list. See instructions
<b>I</b> Tax-exempt status: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) ( ) (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527		<b>H(c)</b> Group exemption number ▶	

**J** Website: WWW.LCHSPETS.ORG

**K** Form of organization:  Corporation  Trust  Association  Other ▶

**L** Year of formation: 1966 **M** State of legal domicile: OH

**Part I Summary**

<b>Activities &amp; Governance</b>	<b>1</b> Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: SEE SCHEDULE O		
	<b>2</b> Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.		
	<b>3</b> Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	<b>3</b>	16
	<b>4</b> Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	<b>4</b>	16
	<b>5</b> Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2021 (Part V, line 2a)	<b>5</b>	94
	<b>6</b> Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	<b>6</b>	550
	<b>7a</b> Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	<b>7a</b>	0
<b>b</b> Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, Part I, line 11	<b>7b</b>	0	
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>8</b> Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year	Current Year
	<b>9</b> Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	673,521	765,950
	<b>10</b> Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	310,071	572,249
	<b>11</b> Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	70,355	171,049
	<b>12</b> Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1,194,604	2,061,835
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>13</b> Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)		0
	<b>14</b> Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		0
	<b>15</b> Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	627,584	968,031
	<b>16a</b> Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)		0
	<b>b</b> Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 316,088		
	<b>17</b> Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	463,670	763,052
<b>18</b> Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	1,091,254	1,731,083	
<b>19</b> Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	103,350	330,752	
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>20</b> Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
	<b>21</b> Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	6,376,839	6,613,978
	<b>22</b> Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	1,479,720	1,245,652

**Part II Signature Block**

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.

**Sign Here**

Signature of officer: LORAIN R RINGHISER CARLSON  
Date: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Type or print name and title

**Paid Preparer Use Only**

Print/Type preparer's name: HEATHER DOLEN, CPA  
Preparer's signature: HEATHER DOLEN, CPA  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Check  if self-employed PTIN: \*\*\*\*\*

Firm's name: SEO CPA GROUP LTD  
Firm's EIN: \*\* - \*\*\* 9096  
Firm's address: 3596 MAPLE AVE STE B  
ZANESVILLE, OH 43701  
Phone no.: 740-868-1100

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

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III [X]

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission: THE LICKING COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY RESCUES ANIMALS TO IMPROVE LIVES.

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? [ ] Yes [X] No

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? [ ] Yes [X] No

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

4a (Code: ) (Expenses \$ 534,740 including grants of\$ ) (Revenue \$ 225,128 ) ANIMAL SHELTERING: LICKING COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY PLACED 1,518 ANIMALS FOR ADOPTION IN 2021. 1,591 ANIMALS ENTERED THE SHELTER'S DOORS. THE MAJORITY WERE OWNER-SURRENDERED FROM PEOPLE WHO WERE EXPERIENCING A CRISIS SUCH AS LOSS OF HOME, ILLNESS, LOSS OF EMPLOYMENT, DEATH OF A FAMILY MEMBER, ETC. SOME ANIMALS ARRIVED DUE TO ABUSE AND NEGLECT AND SOME WERE STRAYS. WHILE AT LCHS, ANIMALS' HOUSING, MEDICAL AND SOCIAL NEEDS ARE MET.

4b (Code: ) (Expenses \$ 192,345 including grants of\$ ) (Revenue \$ 58,814 ) HUMANE AGENT: THE HUMANE AGENT INVESTIGATES CASES AND PROVIDES EDUCATION AND RESOURCES TO THE COMMUNITY. ANIMALS MAY BE CONFISCATED DUE TO CRUELTY. THE ANIMALS ARE CARED FOR AT LCHS UNTIL THE PET IS READY FOR ADOPTION. THE FOLLOWING JURISDICTIONS ARE SERVED BY LCHS HUMANE AGENT: UNINCORPORATED LICKING COUNTY, HEATH, GRANVILLE, PATASKALA, BUCKEYE LAKE, HEBRON, REYNOLDSBURG, JOHNSTOWN, AND UTICA.

4c (Code: ) (Expenses \$ 431,190 including grants of\$ ) (Revenue \$ 288,307 ) LOW-COST CLINICS: LCHS PROVIDES LOW COST SPAY/NEUTER SERVICES TO THE COMMUNITY. SINCE INCEPTION, OVER 14,000 ANIMALS HAVE BEEN ALTERED. LCHS ALSO OFFERS WELLNESS CLINICS TO THE PUBLIC AT REDUCED FEES.

4d Other program services (Describe on Schedule O.) (Expenses \$ 33,072 including grants of\$ ) (Revenue \$ )

4e Total program service expenses 1,191,347

**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules**

		Yes	No
1	Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule A</i>	X	
2	Is the organization required to complete <i>Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors</i> (see instructions)?	X	
3	Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I</i>		X
4	<b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II</i>	X	
5	Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Rev. Proc. 98-19? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III</i>		X
6	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I</i>		X
7	Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II</i>		X
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III</i>		X
9	Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV</i>		X
10	Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in donor-restricted endowments or in quasi endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V</i>	X	
11	If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X, as applicable.		
a	Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI</i>	X	
b	Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII</i>		X
c	Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII</i>		X
d	Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX</i>		X
e	Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i>	X	
f	Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i>	X	
12a	Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII</i>	X	
b	Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional</i>		X
13	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i>		X
14a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		X
b	Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV</i>		X
15	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV</i>		X
16	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV</i>		X
17	Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I. See instructions</i>		X
18	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II</i>	X	
19	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III</i>		X
20a	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i>		X
b	If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		
21	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i>		X

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, Yes, No. Rows 22-38 covering various organizational requirements.

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V [ ]

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, Yes, No. Rows 1a-1c regarding Form 1096 and backup withholding.

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance (continued)

Yes No

Table with 4 columns: Question ID, Question Text, Yes, No. Rows include 2a (employees: 94), 2b, 3a, 3b, 4a, 4b, 5a, 5b, 5c, 6a, 6b, 7 (Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c)), 7a-7h, 8 (Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds), 9 (Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds), 10 (Section 501(c)(7) organizations), 10a-10b, 11 (Section 501(c)(12) organizations), 11a-11b, 12a (Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts), 12b, 13 (Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers), 13a-13c, 14a, 14b, 15, 16, 17 (Section 501(c)(21) organizations).

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes on Schedule O. See instructions. Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI

Section A. Governing Body and Management

Table with columns for line numbers (1a, 1b, 2-9), Yes/No checkboxes, and numerical values (16, 16). Includes questions about voting members, family relationships, and governance documents.

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

Table with columns for line numbers (10a-16b), Yes/No checkboxes, and numerical values (X). Includes questions about local chapters, conflict of interest policies, whistleblower policies, and compensation reviews.

Section C. Disclosure

Table with line numbers (17-20) and text responses. Includes questions about filing requirements, public inspection of forms, and disclosure of governing documents.

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's current officers, directors, trustees... List all of the organization's current key employees... List the organization's five current highest compensated employees... List all of the organization's former officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees... List all of the organization's former directors or trustees...

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.

Table with 6 main columns: (A) Name and title, (B) Average hours per week, (C) Position, (D) Reportable compensation from the organization, (E) Reportable compensation from related organizations, (F) Estimated amount of other compensation. Rows include RICK ANTHONY, DR SAMATHA COE, CASSIE DAVIS, BRENT DEWEY, M. TAYLOR DOWNES, PEGGY EVANS, CHASE GHILONI, GLORIA GOODWIN, JEREMY JOHNSON, REBEKAH JOHNSON, and RHONDA HAGANS.



Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

Table with 6 main columns: (A) Name and title, (B) Average hours per week, (C) Position, (D) Reportable compensation from the organization, (E) Reportable compensation from related organizations, (F) Estimated amount of other compensation. Rows include Lydia Miller, Laurie Murdick, Susan Norris-Berry, Rachel Powell, and Bethany Stickradt.

1b Subtotal
1c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A
1d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization

Table with 3 columns: Question number, Yes, No. Contains questions 3, 4, and 5 regarding compensation reporting.

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

Table with 3 columns: (A) Name and business address, (B) Description of services, (C) Compensation. Includes a total row at the bottom.

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization