



Extraordinary Is

Ordinary People Doing Extraordinary Things

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Extraordinary Is

"What counts in life is not the mere fact that we have lived. It is what difference we have made to the lives of others that will determine the significance of the life we lead."

~ Nelson Mandela

The Otis and Rosie Brown Foundation was inspired by my families conviction that extraordinary things can be done with ordinary resources. The Foundation was created to advance the legacy of my parents Otis and Rosie Brown who instilled in me and my my siblings a recognition that all things are possible through love and stewardship and a belief that all have the duty to extend a hand to help lift our fellow man

2015 launched my dream to celebrate and seed extraordinary people, who utilize ordinary resources to make a positive difference. And what a momentous year we had. From awarding Khalia Wheery, who currently attends Texas Tech University with a goal to become a Doctor Without Borders, to Cynthia Nevels who was inspired to launch her SoulGood Food Truck by her son who battled a strong fight against Cystic Fibrosis.

With the generous contributions of our donors and the passion of our board and volunteers, we have started an online movement reaching thousands across North Texas and reminding us all that we have the ability to be extraordinary.

#MyExtraordinaryIs Passion, Laughter and Giving Back.

I am proud of what we have accomplished this past year and even more excited about what more we will get done in 2016. Our social media #myextraordinaryis garnered over 4000 Facebook Likes. We exceeded our goal of raising over \$25,000 through our social giving \$5 Fridays, on-line donations and our sold our ExtraordinaryIs Awards Gala at Edisons Restaurant in Dallas, Texas featuring "The Money Coach" Lynette Khalfani Cox as our keynote speaker. We awarded six well deserving individuals whose stories remind us how we can all embrace the extraordinary that resides within.

I am blessed that my parents Otis and Rosie Brown are here to witness and be a part a foundation that was inspired by them. I am blessed to know that their legacy of giving will make help make dreams come true one positive encounter at a time.



Thasanda Duckett

THASUNDA DUCKETT

Founder and Chair of
The Otis and Rosie Brown
Foundation, Inc.

#myextraordinaryis

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Our Mission and Vision

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to highlight extraordinary people, organizations and cooperations who utilize resources to enhance the week being of individuals, families and communities.

OUR VISION

Our vision is to connect families to resources in the local North Texas community, foster academic engagement and excellence, and partner with local organizations to more effectively meet the needs of today's vulnerable children and families.



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What makes life extraordinary?

“Extraordinary is making your dreams come true one positive encounter at a time.”

Thasunda Duckett
Founder and Chair of The Otis and Rosie Brown Foundation, Inc.



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Our Volunteers

Our mission is fuelled by many volunteers from all over the Dallas-Ft. Worth metroplex. Our volunteers come from all walks of life, but they share an immeasurable passion for improving their communities.

Our Donors

Our donors give to support solutions that benefit everyone. Whether they give \$5 or \$50,000, their contributions make a real difference in the lives of real people.



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Tiffany Stanmore
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Valencia Nash
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William Flagg III

Our Achievements

Launched #myextraordinaryis social marketing campaign that has over 4000 Facebook Likes

Awarded our first scholarship recipient of the Otis and Rosie Brown Foundation Scholarship Fund- recognizing academic excellence, positive impact and strong character

Awarded five grants totaling over \$10,000 to individuals who are making an extraordinary impact with ordinary resources

Held our first annual Extraordinary Is Awards Gala celebrating our Extraordinary Is Recipients in front of a sold out audience

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Our Financials

In 2015, The Otis and Rosie Brown Foundation raised \$45, 446.07 to support extraordinary acts all over the Dallas-Ft. Worth metroplex.

Form **990-EZ**

Short Form

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No. 1545-1150

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

2015

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

▶ Information about Form 990-EZ and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

Open to Public Inspection

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

A For the 2015 calendar year, or tax year beginning , 2015, and ending , 20

B Check if applicable:

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

C Name of organization
Otis and Rosie Brown Foundation

Number and street (or P.O. box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
7220 FOSSIL RIM TRL

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
ARLINGTON, TEXAS 76002

D Employer identification number
46-3378247

E Telephone number
800-822-1140

F Group Exemption Number ▶

G Accounting Method: Cash Accrual Other (specify) ▶

I Website: ▶ WWW.EXTRAORDINARYIS.ORG

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

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) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ ▶ \$

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

Revenue	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	45446.07
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	
	3	Membership dues and assessments	3	
	4	Investment income	4	
	5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	
	b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	
	c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c	
	6	Gaming and fundraising events		
	a	Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)	6a	
	b	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000)	6b	
c	Less: direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events	6c		
d	Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)	6d		
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a		
b	Less: cost of goods sold	7b		
c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c		
8	Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)	8		
	9 Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8 ▶	9	45446.07	
Expenses	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	10	11300.00
	11	Benefits paid to or for members	11	
	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	
	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	2930.95
	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	
	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	61.25
	16	Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)	16	22203.16
	17 Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16 ▶	17	36495.36	
Net Assets	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	8950.71
	19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	
	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	20	
	21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20 ▶	21	8950.71

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

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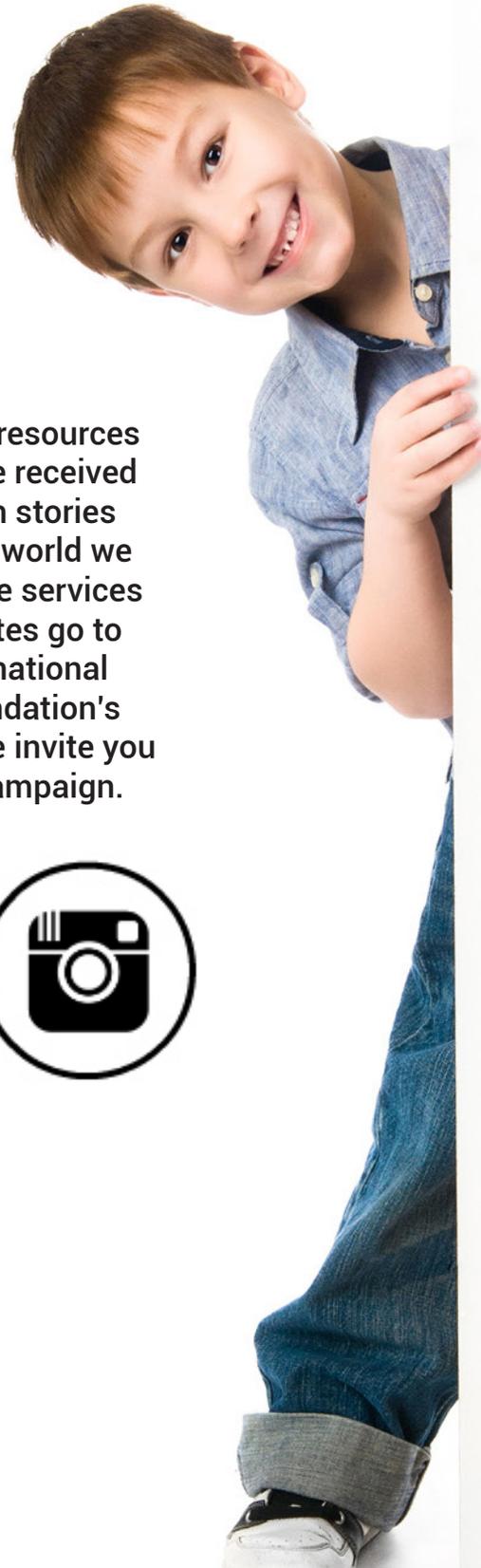
Form **990-EZ** (2015)

Call To Action

We believe *everyone has the capacity* to use ordinary resources to do extraordinary work in our communities. We have received an impressive amount of nominations complete with stories of hard working people taking the time to change the world we live in. We enjoy hearing about the nurse providing free services at the local clinic, to the coach helping student athletes go to college to retirees helping the disabled compete in national sports competitions. The Otis and Rosie Brown Foundation's *Extraordinary Is campaign* wants to hear your story. We invite you to take a moment to support this social marketing campaign.



#myextraordinaryis



1. Visit our Facebook page and share your personal story of how you or someone you know has given back to the community through volunteering, launching a social program or helping their fellow man or woman. Remember to use the hashtag #myextraordinaryis.
2. Nominate your favorite high school senior for an Extraordinary Is scholarship, a local small business or nonprofit organization for a community leader award online at www.extraordinaryis.org.
3. Visit our web page and make a donation to support our scholarship program and community leadership grant award created to help local small businesses and nonprofit organizations continue to deliver extraordinary services to the community.
4. Sign up to volunteer for to help one of our local Extraordinary Is non profit organizations by visiting us online at www.extraordinaryis.org.



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