

## Consortium For Research On

Executive Director / CEO

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 OR · NTEE U053  
 FY ending 2023-06-30  
 June 9, 2026

This analysis benchmarks the total compensation of **Maureen Puettmann, Executive Director / CEO** (\$25,076) against **every comparable organization** that fit the selection criteria — **122** in total — drawn systematically from IRS Form 990 filings, not a hand-picked subset.

Compensation sits at approximately the **22<sup>nd</sup>** percentile of comparable organizations below the typical range for comparable organizations

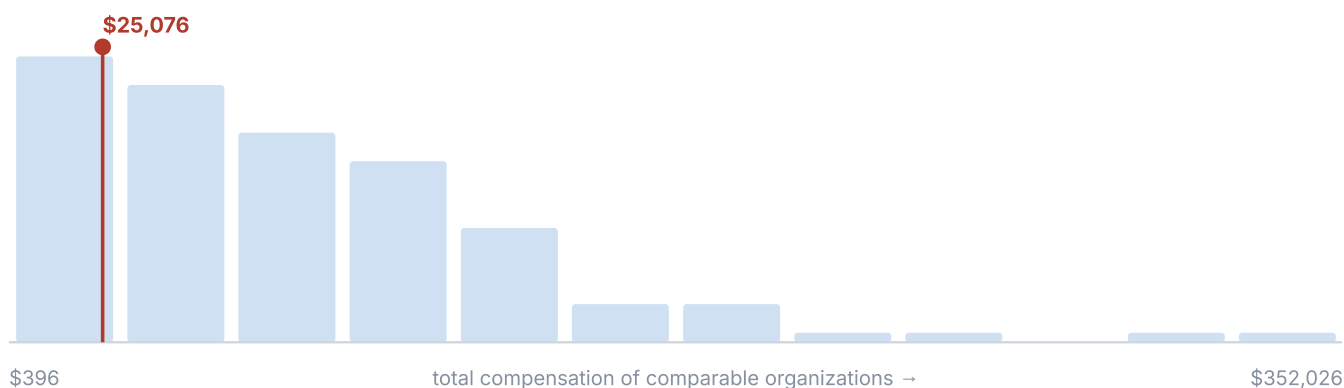
**Benchmarked executive:** Maureen Puettmann — reported title “OPERATIONS D”, selected as the organization's **highest-paid individual** — no exact title match, so confirm this is a comparable role.

### How comparable organizations were selected

SECTOR	Organizations sharing the subject's NTEE classification (U053).
BUDGET	Total revenue between \$273,449 and \$612,201 — 0.67× to 1.50× the subject's \$408,134 (the band tightens as size grows).
GEOGRAPHY	Same NTEE major group (U), nationwide + budget 0.67–1.5× revenue.

**122** organizations qualified on sector, size, and geography → **122** within the band form the benchmarked peer set.

### Distribution of comparable compensation



\$11,357

\$30,383

\$65,958

\$105,740

\$139,301

\$25,076



## ● Comparable organizations

Each figure is Form 990 Part VII columns D + F (reportable pay plus other compensation and benefits; column F may include amounts from related organizations), normalized to OR cost of living (BEA RPP, 2023) and to its filing year (CPI-U); the reported amount is on each linked 990.

ORGANIZATION	STATE	REVENUE	MATCHED TITLE	COMP (REPORTED)	COMP (ADJUSTED)	FY
<a href="#">Rci-iibec Foundation Inc</a>	NC	\$408,042	Ceo/evp Of libec	\$22,282	<b>\$24,081</b>	2024
<a href="#">Professional Services Council Foundation</a>	VA	\$407,306	Executive Vice President	\$22,713	<b>\$22,937</b>	2024
<a href="#">T2I2 Inc</a>	IN	\$409,682	Chairman And Ceo	\$5,000	<b>\$5,515</b>	2024
<a href="#">Conference Board Of The Mathematical</a>	NY	\$409,909	Director	\$34,500	<b>\$32,607</b>	2024
<a href="#">Csab Inc</a>	MD	\$404,157	Executive Director (From 5/23)	\$66,667	<b>\$65,190</b>	2024
<a href="#">Connecticut Academy Of</a>	CT	\$412,679	Executive Di	\$130,745	<b>\$132,006</b>	2023
<a href="#">Bhaktivedanta Institute For Higher Studies Inc</a>	FL	\$402,491	President	\$17,079	<b>\$16,781</b>	2024
<a href="#">Capitol City Robotics Inc</a>	DC	\$401,586	Executive Director	\$170,000	<b>\$152,010</b>	2025
<a href="#">American Society Of Agricultural</a>	MI	\$397,152	Secretary	\$67,622	<b>\$73,003</b>	2024
<a href="#">Moore Institute For Plastic</a>	CA	\$420,986	President	\$77,699	<b>\$72,248</b>	2023
<a href="#">Texas Organic Farmers</a>	TX	\$393,353	Director	\$368	<b>\$396</b>	2023
<a href="#">The Many Brains Project Inc</a>	MA	\$423,904	Head Of Research & Develop	\$161,305	<b>\$147,702</b>	2025
<a href="#">Coalition For Academic Scientific Computation Inc</a>	DC	\$424,207	Executive Director	\$115,900	<b>\$103,635</b>	2025
<a href="#">Metagov Inc</a>	MA	\$391,471	Executive Director	\$38,022	<b>\$36,792</b>	2023
<a href="#">City Kid Science Inc</a>	NY	\$390,135	President	\$70,600	<b>\$66,726</b>	2024
<a href="#">Society For Conservation Biology North America Inc</a>	WI	\$427,116	Director Of Operations And	\$74,200	<b>\$81,051</b>	2024

ORGANIZATION	STATE	REVENUE	MATCHED TITLE	COMP (REPORTED)	COMP (ADJUSTED)	FY
Programs						
<a href="#">Mosaix Global Network</a>	AR	\$427,489	Executive Dir.	\$104,253	<b>\$126,188</b>	2023
<a href="#">Center For Scientific Integrity Inc</a>	NY	\$429,108	Secretary	\$11,330	<b>\$10,708</b>	2024
<a href="#">Decatur Makers Inc</a>	GA	\$384,484	Executive Director	\$83,550	<b>\$85,602</b>	2025
<a href="#">The Center For Advancing Innovation Inc</a>	MD	\$432,823	Ceo	\$360,000	<b>\$352,026</b>	2024
<a href="#">Chicago Council On Science &amp; Technology</a>	IL	\$433,477	Director	\$85,358	<b>\$87,771</b>	2024
<a href="#">Youth Code Jam San Antonio</a>	TX	\$381,787	Executive Di	\$73,378	<b>\$79,040</b>	2023
<a href="#">leom Society International</a>	MI	\$379,303	Executive Di	\$22,000	<b>\$23,751</b>	2024
<a href="#">Institute For Responsible Technology</a>	IA	\$378,791	President	\$114,577	<b>\$135,092</b>	2023
<a href="#">Nantucket Shellfish Association Inc</a>	MA	\$372,864	Executive Director	\$110,000	<b>\$106,442</b>	2023

**Comp (reported)** is the figure on each organization's Form 990 (columns D + F); **Comp (adjusted)** normalizes it to OR cost of living and 2023 dollars. Click any organization to verify the figure on ProPublica.

## Methodology

Comparable organizations were drawn from electronically filed IRS Form 990 returns and matched on sector (NTEE code), budget (a size-adaptive revenue band that tightens as the organization grows), and geography (same-state first, broadening only when too few peers qualify); every organization within the band forms the peer set. To compare fairly across regions and years, peer compensation is normalized to OR cost of living (BEA Regional Price Parities, 2023) and to the subject's filing year (CPI-U). The figure benchmarked is Form 990 Part VII, Section A, columns D + F — reportable pay plus other compensation, benefits, and deferred amounts (column F may include amounts from related organizations) — with the chief executive matched by role. Related-organization amounts (column E) and institutional trustees are excluded. Full methodology: [peerbasis.org/methodology](https://peerbasis.org/methodology).

## Sample, role match & sensitivity

**PEER COUNT** 122 organizations. Compensation range \$396–\$352,026; filing years 2022–2025.

**SIZE BASIS** Matched on total revenue (\$408,134); for reference, expenses \$178,951 and assets \$545,912. **Revenue and expenses diverge this year — revenue may misrepresent operating size; weigh the expense-based view.**

ROLE MATCH	Maureen Puettmann, reported title " <i>OPERATIONS D</i> ", benchmarked as Executive Director / CEO. <b>Selected as the organization's highest-paid individual without an exact title match — the board should confirm this is a comparable role.</b>
RELATED-ORG PAY	15 peers report related-organization compensation (column E), which the D + F benchmark does not fully capture; review where material.
OUTLIERS	3 peers fall outside 1.5× the interquartile range — consider whether any reflect one-time payments (severance, deferred-comp payouts).

Sensitivity — the subject's percentile under alternative compensation definitions:

BASIS	SUBJECT PERCENTILE
Total compensation (D + F), cost-of-living + inflation adjusted — the PeerBasis default	22 <sup>nd</sup>
Total compensation (D + F), as reported (no adjustments)	22 <sup>nd</sup>
Reportable pay only (column D), adjusted	27 <sup>th</sup>
All sources (D + E + F), adjusted	16 <sup>th</sup>

If the percentile moves materially across these definitions, the result is sensitive to methodology choices, and the board should weigh which basis best fits its facts.

### ● Rebuttable presumption of reasonableness · 26 CFR 53.4958-6

Compensation paid by a tax-exempt organization is presumed reasonable — shifting the burden to the IRS — when three requirements are met. This report supplies the comparability data for the second. The board should record the following in its minutes *concurrently* with its decision:

#### Draft board minutes – executive compensation

1. The compensation of the Executive Director / CEO (Maureen Puettmann) was approved in advance by [the Board / Compensation Committee], composed of members with no conflict of interest with respect to the arrangement.
2. Prior to its determination, the authorized body obtained and relied upon appropriate comparability data, namely the PeerBasis Compensation Comparability Determination dated June 9, 2026, comparing compensation against 122 similarly situated organizations (Same NTEE major group (U), nationwide + budget 0.67–1.5× revenue).
3. The authorized body determined that total compensation of \$25,076 is reasonable (approximately the 22<sup>nd</sup> percentile of comparable organizations) and documented the basis for this determination concurrently, on [date], by a vote of [\_\_ for / \_\_ against].

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Sources: IRS Form 990 e-file data (apps.irs.gov); IRS Business Master File (NTEE classification). Every figure traces to an original public filing — click any organization above to verify it on ProPublica. PeerBasis is a service of Prismind Analytics; its [methodology is published](#), was commissioned for independent adversarial review, and discloses its own limitations. This report is comparability data to support a board's good-faith determination under IRC 4958; it is not legal or tax advice. Generated by PeerBasis on June 9, 2026.