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Too bad the "21st Century School Fund" didn't feel like filing a tax return until FY 2003, that's NINE years later, and well after it started receiving contributions (some yrs, over \$1M) and earning program service revenues.

I looked for tax returns (BARELY visible EIN# on a Guidestar Link on this site, and NONE posted. This is actually a very small entity per its Form 990s.

From the start this entity was subgranting (sometimes almost 50%) receipts to select others, individuals and/or organizations for its services, and contracting with others. Its major expenses have been "consultants" and the tax returns have been filled out with disregard for the forms and the public, in repeatedly entering "See Statement ##" instead of just filling in the blanks. The only paid officer mostly Mary Filardo (not excessive), and it appears that their first filing year, the address was courtesy "the Filardos" @ \$600/month (their home)? after which... at the Thurgood Marshall Center (a former Y). Common practice in some places for buildings to help nonprofits with lower or free rents.

The 21st Century School Fund (21CSF) was founded in 1994 on the premise that communities are responsible for creating healthy, safe, and educationally appropriate learning environments.

Mission: 21CSF is dedicated to building the public will and capacity to modernize public school facilities so they support high quality education and community revitalization.

Vision: A country where every child learns in an educationally appropriate, healthy and safe school that serves as a community anchor and is built and maintained in an environmentally and fiscally responsible manner.

Our work: 21CSF is a well respected and relied upon force in the District of Columbia on public education, particularly related to facility planning and capital budget issues.

Locally, 21CSF has sustained and built on its experience in public private partnerships and educational facility planning. In 1995, 1997, 2000 and 2003, the District of Columbia School System (DCPS) engaged the community in a participatory master planning process. 21CSF has been extensively involved in each of these processes.

We continue to provide technical advice, advocacy, information, policy analysis, and development to other districts and non-profit organizations. 21CSF has developed software to increase public engagement in school facilities planning and expanded its work to include providing limited assistance to public charter schools on school facility issues in the District of Columbia.

The 21st Century School Fund offices are located in the historic Thurgood Marshall Center for Service and Heritage. The Thurgood Marshall Center, formerly the Anthony Bowen 12th Street YMCA, is located in the Shaw / U Street district of Washington, DC. Operated by the Thurgood Marshall Center Trust, Inc. (www.tmcsh.org), the building houses several other non-profit organizations dedicated to community and youth services.

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SEE WEBSITE, KEEP READING: *There's also a collaborative. Website (other than OMITTING any financials Rpts or Forms 990 for readers) sounds like good cause, and reads well — BUT the underlying Form 990s tell a different story. Referenced in a May3, 2017 post on FamilyCourtMatters.org These comments © 2017 Anna Victoria Englund (said blogger).*