

Form **990**Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Public Disclosure Copy**  
**Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**  
 Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung  
 benefit trust or private foundation)

OMB No. 1545-0047

**2010**Open to Public  
Inspection

▶ The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

**A For the 2010 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"/> Terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	<b>C</b> Name of organization <b>AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR ECONOMIC RESEARCH</b>		<b>D</b> Employer identification number <b>04-2121305</b>
	Doing Business As		
	Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address)	Room/suite	<b>E</b> Telephone number <b>413-528-1216</b>
	<b>250 DIVISION ST., P.O. BOX 1000</b>		<b>G</b> Gross receipts \$ <b>7,204,712.</b>
	City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 <b>GREAT BARRINGTON, MA 01230</b>		<b>H(a)</b> Is this a group return for affiliates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <b>H(b)</b> Are all affiliates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list. (see instructions) <b>H(c)</b> Group exemption number ▶
<b>F</b> Name and address of principal officer: <b>DAVID C. MICHAELS</b> <b>250 DIVISION STREET, GREAT BARRINGTON, MA 0</b>			
<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>J</b> Website: ▶ <b>WWW.AIER.ORG</b>			
<b>K</b> Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other ▶			<b>L</b> Year of formation: <b>1939</b> <b>M</b> State of legal domicile: <b>MA</b>

**Part I Summary**

<b>Activities &amp; Governance</b>	<b>1</b> Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <b>AIER CONDUCTS INDEPENDENT, SCIENTIFIC, ECONOMIC RESEARCH TO EDUCATE INDIVIDUALS, THEREBY</b>		
	<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>	<b>9</b>
	<b>4</b> Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	<b>4</b>	<b>9</b>
	<b>5</b> Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2010 (Part V, line 2a)	<b>5</b>	<b>30</b>
	<b>6</b> Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>
	<b>7a</b> Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	<b>7a</b>	<b>0.</b>
<b>b</b> Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	<b>7b</b>	<b>0.</b>	
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>8</b> Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	<b>Prior Year</b> 640,348.	<b>Current Year</b> 579,215.
	<b>9</b> Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	1,465,989.	774,967.
	<b>10</b> Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	216,135.	685,319.
	<b>11</b> Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	-12,604.	26,661.
	<b>12</b> Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	2,309,868.	2,066,162.
	<b>13</b> Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	90,500.	62,500.
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>14</b> Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	0.	0.
	<b>15</b> Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	1,944,729.	1,879,392.
	<b>16a</b> Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0.	0.
	<b>b</b> Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ <b>76,961.</b>		
	<b>17</b> Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24f)	3,207,530.	1,880,071.
	<b>18</b> Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	5,242,759.	3,821,963.
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>19</b> Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	-2,932,891.	-1,755,801.
	<b>20</b> Total assets (Part X, line 16)	<b>Beginning of Current Year</b> 140,819,382.	<b>End of Year</b> 155,032,825.
	<b>21</b> Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	71,909,547.	83,817,281.
	<b>22</b> Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	68,909,835.	71,215,544.

**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.

<b>Sign Here</b>	Signature of officer 	Date <b>5/6/2011</b>
	Type or print name and title <b>DAVID C. MICHAELS, CFO</b>	
<b>Paid</b>	Print/Type preparer's name <b>KEVIN T. MCGRATH</b>	Preparer's signature 
<b>Preparer Use Only</b>	Firm's name ▶ <b>BST ADVISORS, LLC</b>	Firm's EIN ▶
	Firm's address ▶ <b>26 COMPUTER DRIVE WEST ALBANY, NY 12205</b>	Phone no. <b>(518) 459-6700</b>

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) ☒ Yes ☐ No

**Part III** Statement of Program Service AccomplishmentsCheck if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part III ☒ **X****1** Briefly describe the organization's mission:

AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR ECONOMIC RESEARCH (AIER) CONDUCTS INDEPENDENT,  
SCIENTIFIC, ECONOMIC RESEARCH TO EDUCATE INDIVIDUALS, THEREBY  
ADVANCING THEIR PERSONAL INTERESTS AND THOSE OF THE NATION.

**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 ☒ No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.

**3** Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.

**4** Describe the exempt purpose achievements for each of the organization's three largest program services by expenses.

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts 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 \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ 466,110.)  
RESEARCH REPORTS - PREPARATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF BIWEEKLY ECONOMIC  
REPORTS WHICH DISCUSS SELECTED TOPICS IN THE AREAS OF FISCAL AND  
MONETARY ECONOMICS. THESE REPORTS REFLECT ONGOING RESEARCH AND ARE  
DISTRIBUTED TO MEMBERS AND TO OTHERS. DURING 2010, APPROXIMATELY 11,540  
INDIVIDUALS, INSTITUTIONS AND PUBLISHERS RECEIVED THE REPORTS. (THIS  
REPRESENTS THE AVERAGE NUMBER OF SUBSCRIBERS TO RESEARCH REPORTS.)

**4b** (Code: ) (Expenses \$ 3,031,475. including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )  
ECONOMIC EDUCATION BULLETINS - PREPARATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF  
OCCASIONAL BOOKLETS IN THE AREAS OF FISCAL AND MONETARY ECONOMICS,  
REFLECTING DETAILED ANALYSIS OF PARTICULAR SUBJECTS WITH SOME EMPHASIS  
ON PERSONAL ECONOMIC PROBLEMS. RESEARCH AND PRODUCTION IS INTEGRATED  
WITH RESEARCH REPORTS (ABOVE). APPROXIMATELY 103,295 WERE DISTRIBUTED  
TO SUSTAINING MEMBERS OR SOLD ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS DURING 2010.

**4c** (Code: ) (Expenses \$ 253,979. including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )  
FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM - FELLOWS ARE SELECTED FROM PROMISING COLLEGE OR  
GRADUATE LEVEL STUDENTS OF ECONOMICS OR FINANCE TO ATTEND SEMINARS AND  
CONDUCT INDEPENDENT RESEARCH AND STUDY AT AIER AS A SUPPLEMENT TO THEIR  
REGULAR CURRICULUM.

**4d** Other program services. (Describe in Schedule O.)

(Expenses \$ 152,699. including grants of \$ 62,500. ) (Revenue \$ 308,857. )

**4e** Total program service expenses **3,438,153.**

**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)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A	X	
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors?	X	
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II		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 Revenue Procedure 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III		
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts where donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II		X
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III		X
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21; serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV		X
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in term, permanent, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V		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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI	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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII	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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII		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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX		X
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X		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)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X	X	
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII		X
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII is optional.	X	
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E		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, and program service activities outside the United States? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV		X
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or assistance to any organization or entity located outside the United States? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV		X
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or assistance to individuals located outside the United States? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV		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? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II		X
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III		X
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? If "Yes," complete Schedule H		X
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach its audited financial statements to this return? <b>Note.</b> Some Form 990 filers that operate one or more hospitals must attach audited financial statements (see instructions)		

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**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules** (continued)

	Yes	No
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II		X
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 2? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III	X	
23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? If "Yes," complete Schedule J	X	
24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25		X
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		
d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		
25a <b>Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		X
b Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		X
26 Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highly compensated employee, or disqualified person outstanding as of the end of the organization's tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II		X
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor, or a grant selection committee member, or to a person related to such an individual? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III		X
28 Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions):		
a A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV		X
b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV		X
c An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV		X
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M	X	
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M		X
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations?		X
If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I		
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II		X
33 Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I		X
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity?	X	
If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1		
35 Is any related organization a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	X	
a Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2		
36 <b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2		X
37 Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI		X
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11 and 19?	X	

Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O

**Part V** Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax ComplianceCheck if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part V ☐

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable	35	
1b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable	0	
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?		
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	30	
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? <b>Note.</b> If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file. (see instructions)	X	
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?		X
3b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O		
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?		X
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: See instructions for filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.		
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?		X
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		X
c	If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?		
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible?		X
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?		
7	<b>Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).</b>		
a	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?		X
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?		
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?		X
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7d	
e	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7e	
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7f	
g	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7g	
h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	7h	
8	<b>Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations.</b> Did the supporting organization, or a donor advised fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	8	
9	<b>Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.</b>		
a	Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?	9a	
b	Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	9b	
10	<b>Section 501(c)(7) organizations.</b> Enter:		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a	
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b	
11	<b>Section 501(c)(12) organizations.</b> Enter:		
a	Gross income from members or shareholders	11a	
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	11b	
12a	<b>Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts.</b> Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12a	
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b	
13	<b>Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.</b>		
a	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? <b>Note.</b> See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.	13a	
b	Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans	13b	
c	Enter the amount of reserves on hand	13c	
14a	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14a	X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	14b	

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**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 in Schedule O. See instructions.Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VI ☒ **X****Section A. Governing Body and Management**

	1a	1b	Yes	No
1a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year	9			
b Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent		9		
2 Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?			X	
3 Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?				X
4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?				X
5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?				X
6 Does the organization have members or stockholders?			X	
7a Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body?			X	
b Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons?				X
8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:				
a The governing body?			X	
b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?			X	
9 Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O				X

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

	Yes	No
10a Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?		X
b If "Yes," does the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with those of the organization?		
11a Has the organization provided a copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	X	
b Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.		
12a Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	X	
b Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	X	
c Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this is done	X	
13 Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	X	
14 Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	X	
15 Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?		
a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	X	
b Other officers or key employees of the organization	X	
If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O. (See instructions.)		
16a Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?		X
b If "Yes," has the organization adopted a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and taken steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?		

**Section C. Disclosure**

17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed **MA, PA**

18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you make these available. Check all that apply.  
☒ Own website ☒ Another's website ☒ Upon request

19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how), the organization makes its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public.

20 State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization: **DAVID C. MICHAELS, CFO - 413-528-1216**  
**250 DIVISION ST, PO BOX 1000, GREAT BARRINGTON, MA 01230**

**Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors**Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question 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 (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

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

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (describe hours for related organizations in Schedule O)	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
EDWARD H. ADOLPH CHAIRMAN	5.00	X						0.	0.	0.
RICHARD W. BREWER TRUSTEE	5.00	X						0.	0.	0.
RICHARD M. DONCASTER TRUSTEE	5.00	X						0.	0.	0.
MARJORIE H. GREER TRUSTEE	5.00	X						0.	0.	0.
FREDERICK C. HARWOOD SECRETARY	5.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
PETER A. LEE TRUSTEE	5.00	X						0.	0.	0.
SIDNEY ROSE TRUSTEE	5.00	X						0.	0.	0.
HAROLD F. DVORAK TRUSTEE	5.00	X						0.	0.	0.
EDWARD P. WELKER TRUSTEE	5.00	X						0.	0.	0.
CHARLES E. MURRAY PRESIDENT	40.00			X				213,383.	0.	18,668.
DAVID C. MICHAELS CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	40.00			X				156,346.	0.	8,765.
STEVEN R CUNNINGHAM DIR OF RESEARCH & EDUCATION	40.00			X				39,308.	0.	1,576.





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**Part VIII Statement of Revenue**

				(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512, 513, or 514
<b>Contributions, gifts, grants and other similar amounts</b>	1 a	Federated campaigns	1a				
	b	Membership dues	1b				
	c	Fundraising events	1c				
	d	Related organizations	1d				
	e	Government grants (contributions)	1e				
	f	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	579,215.			
	g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$		120,771.			
	h	<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f		579,215.			
<b>Program Service Revenue</b>	2 a	RESEARCH REPORTS	Business Code 511120	466,110.	466,110.		
	b	SALES OF PUBLICATIONS	511120	308,857.	308,857.		
	c						
	d						
	e						
	f	All other program service revenue					
	g	<b>Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f		774,967.			
	<b>Other Revenue</b>	3	Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		240,419.		
4		Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds					
5		Royalties					
6 a		Gross Rents	(i) Real 120,000.				
b		Less: rental expenses	154,524.				
c		Rental income or (loss)	-34,524.				
d		Net rental income or (loss)		-34,524.		-34,524.	
7 a		Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities 5428926.				
b		Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	4984026.				
c		Gain or (loss)	444,900.				
d		Net gain or (loss)		444,900.		444,900.	
8 a		Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	a				
b		Less: direct expenses	b				
c		Net income or (loss) from fundraising events					
9 a		Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	a				
b		Less: direct expenses	b				
c		Net income or (loss) from gaming activities					
10 a		Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a				
b	Less: cost of goods sold	b					
c	Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory						
<b>Miscellaneous Revenue</b>			<b>Business Code</b>				
11 a	REIMBURSE FACILITIES	900099	51,543.			51,543.	
b	CHARITABLE REMAINDER I	900099	9,642.			9,642.	
c							
d	All other revenue						
e	<b>Total.</b> Add lines 11a-11d		61,185.				
12	<b>Total revenue.</b> See instructions.		2,066,162.	774,967.	0.	711,980.	

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**Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses**

*Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns.*

*All other organizations must complete column (A) but are not required to complete columns (B), (C), and (D).*

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the U.S. See Part IV, line 21 .....				
2 Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U.S. See Part IV, line 22 .....	62,500.	62,500.		
3 Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the U.S. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16 .....				
4 Benefits paid to or for members .....				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees .....	403,245.	312,429.	54,447.	36,369.
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) .....				
7 Other salaries and wages .....	1,105,387.	1,067,227.	22,433.	15,727.
8 Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions) .....	149,207.	61,253.	87,208.	746.
9 Other employee benefits .....	89,332.	84,575.	2,888.	1,869.
10 Payroll taxes .....	132,221.	119,506.	8,912.	3,803.
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management .....				
b Legal .....	6,085.	304.	5,781.	
c Accounting .....	20,515.		20,515.	
d Lobbying .....				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17 .....				
f Investment management fees .....				
g Other .....	149,336.	125,702.	22,014.	1,620.
12 Advertising and promotion .....				
13 Office expenses .....	1,082,027.	1,065,675.	9,162.	7,190.
14 Information technology .....	33,313.	30,648.	1,999.	666.
15 Royalties .....				
16 Occupancy .....	139,288.	123,240.	12,337.	3,711.
17 Travel .....	23,892.	22,944.	449.	499.
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials .....				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings .....				
20 Interest .....				
21 Payments to affiliates .....				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization .....	194,568.	187,836.	2,558.	4,174.
23 Insurance .....				
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24f. If line 24f amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24f expenses on Schedule O.) .....				
a <b>PUBLIC RELATIONS</b> .....	78,450.	78,450.		
b <b>TRUSTEE REIMBURSEMENT</b> .....	51,245.		51,245.	
c <b>MISCELLANEOUS</b> .....	42,852.	38,504.	3,761.	587.
d <b>SENIOR VISITING FELLOWS</b> .....	35,459.	35,459.		
e <b>PERIODICALS AND SUBS</b> .....	22,799.	21,659.	1,140.	0.
f All other expenses .....	242.	242.		
<b>25 Total functional expenses.</b> Add lines 1 through 24f .....	3,821,963.	3,438,153.	306,849.	76,961.
<b>26 Joint costs.</b> Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720). Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation .....				

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**Part X Balance Sheet**

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
<b>Assets</b>	1 Cash - non-interest-bearing .....	92,983.	1	556.
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments .....		2	
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net .....		3	
	4 Accounts receivable, net .....	6,426.	4	5,013.
	5 Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L .....		5	
	6 Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions) .....		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net .....		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use .....	95,319.	8	99,551.
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges .....	29,650.	9	21,568.
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D .....	5,285,813.		
	10b Less: accumulated depreciation .....	2,104,866.		
		3,382,124.	10c	3,180,947.
	11 Investments - publicly traded securities .....	6,642,835.	11	8,233,251.
	12 Investments - other securities. See Part IV, line 11 .....	130,022,359.	12	142,838,404.
	13 Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line 11 .....		13	
	14 Intangible assets .....		14	
15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11 .....	547,686.	15	653,535.	
16 <b>Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34) .....	140,819,382.	16	155,032,825.	
<b>Liabilities</b>	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses .....	217,626.	17	194,609.
	18 Grants payable .....		18	
	19 Deferred revenue .....	401,834.	19	298,224.
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities .....		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D .....		21	
	22 Payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L .....		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties .....		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties .....		24	
	25 Other liabilities. Complete Part X of Schedule D .....	71,290,087.	25	83,324,448.
	26 <b>Total liabilities.</b> Add lines 17 through 25 .....	71,909,547.	26	83,817,281.
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.</b>			
	27 Unrestricted net assets .....	12,263,008.	27	13,176,421.
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets .....	56,646,827.	28	58,039,123.
	29 Permanently restricted net assets .....		29	
	<b>Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.</b>			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds .....		30	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund .....		31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds .....		32	
	33 <b>Total net assets or fund balances</b> .....	68,909,835.	33	71,215,544.
	34 <b>Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances</b> .....	140,819,382.	34	155,032,825.

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**Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets**

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XI ☒ **X**

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	2,066,162.
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	3,821,963.
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-1,755,801.
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	68,909,835.
5	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	5	4,061,510.
6	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3, 4, and 5 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	6	71,215,544.

**Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting**

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XII ☒ **X**

	Yes	No
1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O.		
2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?		X
b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?	X	
c If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.	X	
d If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were issued on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		
3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		X
b If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits.		

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**Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2006	(b) 2007	(c) 2008	(d) 2009	(e) 2010	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	858,064.	1723500.	1645930.	640,348.	579,215.	5447057.
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3	858,064.	1723500.	1645930.	640,348.	579,215.	5447057.
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						1664040.
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						3783017.

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2006	(b) 2007	(c) 2008	(d) 2009	(e) 2010	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	858,064.	1723500.	1645930.	640,348.	579,215.	5447057.
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	381,629.	525,215.	411,329.	337,271.	360,419.	2015863.
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)	22,399.	33,141.	33,415.	28,819.	61,185.	178,959.
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						7641879.
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	5,888,908.
13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>						

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

14 Public support percentage for 2010 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	49.50	%
15 Public support percentage from 2009 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	49.76	%
16a 33 1/3% support test - 2010. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
b 33 1/3% support test - 2009. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>			
17a 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2010. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>			
b 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2009. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>			
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>			

**Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)**

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2006	(b) 2007	(c) 2008	(d) 2009	(e) 2010	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.") .....						
<b>2</b> Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose .....						
<b>3</b> Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513 .....						
<b>4</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf .....						
<b>5</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge .....						
<b>6 Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 5 .....						
<b>7a</b> Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons .....						
<b>b</b> Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year .....						
<b>c</b> Add lines 7a and 7b .....						
<b>8 Public support</b> (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2006	(b) 2007	(c) 2008	(d) 2009	(e) 2010	(f) Total
<b>9</b> Amounts from line 6 .....						
<b>10a</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources .....						
<b>b</b> Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975 .....						
<b>c</b> Add lines 10a and 10b .....						
<b>11</b> Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on .....						
<b>12</b> Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.) .....						
<b>13 Total support</b> (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						

**14 First five years.** If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ☐

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

<b>15</b> Public support percentage for 2010 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) .....	<b>15</b>	%
<b>16</b> Public support percentage from 2009 Schedule A, Part III, line 15 .....	<b>16</b>	%

**Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage**

<b>17</b> Investment income percentage for 2010 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) .....	<b>17</b>	%
<b>18</b> Investment income percentage from 2009 Schedule A, Part III, line 17 .....	<b>18</b>	%

**19a 33 1/3% support tests - 2010.** If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ☐

**b 33 1/3% support tests - 2009.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ☐

**20 Private foundation.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions ☐

# Supplemental Financial Statements

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990,

Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12.

▶ Attach to Form 990. ▶ See separate instructions.

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**Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year .....		
2 Aggregate contributions to (during year) .....		
3 Aggregate grants from (during year) .....		
4 Aggregate value at end of year .....		

5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control? ☐ Yes ☐ No

6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit? ☐ Yes ☐ No

**Part II Conservation Easements.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply).

☐ Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or education) ☐ Preservation of an historically important land area

☐ Protection of natural habitat ☐ Preservation of a certified historic structure

☐ Preservation of open space

2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year.

	Held at the End of the Tax Year
a Total number of conservation easements .....	2a
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements .....	2b
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a) .....	2c
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register .....	2d

3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ▶ .....

4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ▶ .....

5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds? ☐ Yes ☐ No

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ .....

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ \$ .....

8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? ☐ Yes ☐ No

9 In Part XIV, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements.

**Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIV, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items.

b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items:

(i) Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ..... ▶ \$ .....

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X ..... ▶ \$ .....

2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items:

a Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ..... ▶ \$ .....

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X ..... ▶ \$ .....



**Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets** (continued)

3 Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items

(check all that apply):

a ☐ Public exhibitionb ☐ Scholarly researchc ☐ Preservation for future generationsd ☐ Loan or exchange programse ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIV.

5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets

to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? ☐ Yes ☐ No**Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV and complete the following table:

c Beginning balance

d Additions during the year

e Distributions during the year

f Ending balance

	Amount
1c	
1d	
1e	
1f	

2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV.

**Part V Endowment Funds.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance					
b Contributions					
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance					

2 Provide the estimated percentage of the year end balance held as:

a Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶ \_\_\_\_\_ %

b Permanent endowment ▶ \_\_\_\_\_ %

c Term endowment ▶ \_\_\_\_\_ %

3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:

(i) unrelated organizations

(ii) related organizations

	Yes	No
3a(i)		
3a(ii)		
3b		

b If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?

4 Describe in Part XIV the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

**Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.** See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of investment	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land		13,946.		13,946.
b Buildings		4,415,587.	1,502,333.	2,913,254.
c Leasehold Improvements				
d Equipment				
e Other	216,944.	639,336.	602,533.	253,747.
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)				3,180,947.

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**Part VII Investments - Other Securities.** See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives .....		
(2) Closely-held equity interests .....		
(3) Other .....		
(A) MONEY MARKETS	1,474,833.	END-OF-YEAR MARKET VALUE
(B) RESTRICTED TRUST ASSETS		
(C) UNDER SPLIT INTEREST		
(D) AGREEMENTS	141,363,571.	END-OF-YEAR MARKET VALUE
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
(I)		
Total. (Col (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 12.) ▶		142,838,404.

**Part VIII Investments - Program Related.** See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment type	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
(10)		
Total. (Col (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 13.) ▶		

**Part IX Other Assets.** See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 15.) ▶	

**Part X Other Liabilities.** See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1.	(a) Description of liability	(b) Amount
(1)	Federal income taxes	
(2)	LIABILITIES UNDER SPLIT INTEREST	
(3)	AGREEMENTS	82,104,945.
(4)	SPLIT INTEREST TRUSTS	
(5)	DISTRIBUTIONS PAYABLE	1,123,183.
(6)	INVESTMENT ADVISORY FEE PAYABLE	96,320.
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
(10)		
(11)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 25.) ▶		83,324,448.

2. FIN 48 (ASC 740) Footnote. In Part XIV, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740).

**Part XI Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets from Form 990 to Audited Financial Statements**

1	Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	2,066,162.
2	Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	3,821,963.
3	Excess or (deficit) for the year. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-1,755,801.
4	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	4	505,456.
5	Donated services and use of facilities	5	
6	Investment expenses	6	
7	Prior period adjustments	7	
8	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	8	3,556,054.
9	Total adjustments (net). Add lines 4 through 8	9	4,061,510.
10	Excess or (deficit) for the year per audited financial statements. Combine lines 3 and 9	10	2,305,709.

**Part XII Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return**

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	10,620,843.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:		
a	Net unrealized gains on investments	2a	505,456.
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	2d	8,049,224.
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	8,554,680.
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	2,066,163.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	4b	-1.
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	-1.
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)	5	2,066,162.

**Part XIII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return**

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	8,315,134.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Other losses	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	2d	4,493,172.
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	4,493,172.
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	3,821,962.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	4b	1.
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	1.
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)	5	3,821,963.

**Part XIV Supplemental Information**

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, lines 1a and 4; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b; Part V, line 4; Part X, line 2; Part XI, line 8; Part XII, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XIII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

**PART X, LINE 2: INCOME TAXES ARE RECORDED USING THE ASSET AND**

**LIABILITY METHOD. DEFERRED TAX ASSETS AND LIABILITIES ARE DETERMINED**

**BASED ON THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING AND TAX BASIS OF**

**ASSETS AND LIABILITIES. DEFERRED TAX ASSETS OR LIABILITIES AT THE END OF**

**EACH PERIOD ARE DETERMINED USING THE CURRENTLY ENACTED TAX RATE EXPECTED**

**TO APPLY TO TAXABLE INCOME IN THE PERIODS IN WHICH THE DEFERRED TAX ASSET**

**OR LIABILITY IS EXPECTED TO BE SETTLED OR REALIZED. DEFERRED TAX EXPENSE**

**(BENEFIT) IS THE RESULT OF CHANGES IN DEFERRED TAX ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.**

**Part XIV** Supplemental Information (continued)

ON JANUARY 1, 2009, THE ORGANIZATIONS ADOPTED ASC 740-10-25, ACCOUNTING FOR UNCERTAINTY IN INCOME TAXES. WHEN THE RETURN IS FILED, IT IS HIGHLY CERTAIN THAT SOME POSITIONS TAKEN WOULD BE SUSTAINED UPON EXAMINATION BY THE TAXING AUTHORITIES, WHILE OTHERS ARE SUBJECT TO UNCERTAINTY ABOUT THE MERITS OF THE TAX POSITION TAKEN OR THE AMOUNT OF THE POSITION THAT WOULD ULTIMATELY BE SUSTAINED. THIS STANDARD PRESCRIBES A COMPREHENSIVE MODEL FOR RECOGNIZING, MEASURING, PRESENTING, AND DISCLOSING IN THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TAX POSITIONS TAKEN OR EXPECTED TO BE TAKEN ON A TAX RETURN, INCLUDING POSITIONS THAT THE ORGANIZATIONS ARE EXEMPT FROM INCOME TAXES OR NOT SUBJECT TO INCOME TAXES ON UNRELATED BUSINESS INCOME. TAX POSITIONS ARE NOT OFFSET OR AGGREGATED WITH OTHER POSITIONS. TAX POSITIONS THAT MEET THE MORE LIKELY THAN NOT RECOGNITION THRESHOLD ARE MEASURED AS THE LARGEST AMOUNT OF TAX BENEFIT THAT IS MORE THAN 50% LIKELY TO BE REALIZED ON SETTLEMENT WITH THE APPLICABLE TAXING AUTHORITY. THE PORTION OF THE BENEFITS ASSOCIATED WITH TAX POSITIONS TAKEN THAT EXCEEDS THE AMOUNT MEASURED AS DESCRIBED ABOVE IS REFLECTED AS A LIABILITY FOR UNCERTAIN TAX BENEFITS IN THE ACCOMPANYING STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION ALONG WITH ANY ASSOCIATED INTEREST AND PENALTIES THAT WOULD BE PAYABLE TO THE TAXING AUTHORITIES UPON EXAMINATION. THE ADOPTION OF THIS STANDARD RESULTED IN NO UNCERTAIN TAX BENEFITS OR PROVISIONS IDENTIFIED AND RECORDED AS A LIABILITY OR ASSET.

## PART XI, LINE 8 - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:

CHANGE IN VALUE OF SUBSIDIARY	107,690.
CHANGE IN VALUE OF SPLIT INTEREST AGREEMENTS	3,448,362.
ROUNDING	2.
TOTAL TO SCHEDULE D, PART XI, LINE 8	3,556,054.

**Part XIV** Supplemental Information (continued)

## PART XII, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:

RENTAL EXPENSES	154,523.
SPLIT INTEREST TRUST	7,787,011.
NET INCOME OF SUBSIDIARY	107,690.
TOTAL TO SCHEDULE D, PART XII, LINE 2D	8,049,224.

## PART XII, LINE 4B - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:

ROUNDING	-1.
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## PART XIII, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:

SPLIT INTEREST TRUST	4,338,649.
RENTAL EXPENSES	154,523.
TOTAL TO SCHEDULE D, PART XIII, LINE 2D	4,493,172.

## PART XIII, LINE 4B - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:

ROUNDING	1.
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**Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.**

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Part I	General Information on Grants and Assistance
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- 1** Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance?

- 2 Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States.

## Part II

Part I	Grants and Other Assistance to Governments and Organizations in the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any
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- 2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations
- 3 Enter total number of other organizations

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## Part III

<b>part IV</b>	<b>Supplemental Information.</b> Complete this part to provide the information required in Part 1, line 2, and any other additional information.
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**SCHEDULE J  
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury  
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**Compensation Information**

For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest  
Compensated Employees

▶ **Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990,  
Part IV, line 23.**

▶ **Attach to Form 990. ▶ See separate instructions.**

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**Part I Questions Regarding Compensation**

**1a** Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed in Form 990,  
Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel             | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments | <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account            | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef) |

**b** If any of the boxes on line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or  
reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain .....

**2** Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all officers, directors,  
trustees, and the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a? .....

**3** Indicate which, if any, of the following the organization uses to establish the compensation of the organization's  
CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply.

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee                         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract                     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee |

**4** During the year, did any person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing  
organization or a related organization:

- a** Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment from the organization or a related organization? .....
- b** Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan? .....
- c** Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement? .....
- If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.

**Only section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete lines 5-9.**

**5** For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation  
contingent on the revenues of:

- a** The organization? .....
- b** Any related organization? .....
- If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.

**6** For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation  
contingent on the net earnings of:

- a** The organization? .....
- b** Any related organization? .....
- If "Yes" to line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.

**7** For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments  
not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III .....

**8** Were any amounts reported in Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the  
initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III .....

**9** If "Yes" to line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in  
Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)? .....

Yes No

1b

2

4a

4b

4c

5a

5b

6a

6b

7

8

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**Part I Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees.** Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported in Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII.

**Note.** The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) must equal the applicable column (D) or column (E) amounts on Form 990, Part VII, line 1a.

(A) Name	(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation reported in prior Form 990 or Form 990-EZ
	(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
1 CHARLES E. MURRAY	(i) 213,383.	(ii) 0.	(iii) 0.	9,462.	9,206.	232,051.	0.
	(ii) 0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
2 DAVID C. MICHAELS	(i) 156,346.	(ii) 0.	(iii) 0.	7,301.	1,464.	165,111.	0.
	(ii) 0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
3	(i)						
	(ii)						
4	(i)						
	(ii)						
5	(i)						
	(ii)						
6	(i)						
	(ii)						
7	(i)						
	(ii)						
8	(i)						
	(ii)						
9	(i)						
	(ii)						
10	(i)						
	(ii)						
11	(i)						
	(ii)						
12	(i)						
	(ii)						
13	(i)						
	(ii)						
14	(i)						
	(ii)						
15	(i)						
	(ii)						
16	(i)						
	(ii)						

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Part III Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8. Also complete this part for any additional information.

PART I, LINE 4B: EDWARD P. WELKER, TRUSTEE - \$38,459.76 (RETIREMENT)

**SCHEDULE M  
(Form 990)**

**Noncash Contributions**

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▶ **Complete if the organizations answered "Yes" on Form  
990, Part IV, lines 29 or 30.  
▶ Attach to Form 990.**

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**Part I Types of Property**

	(a) Check if applicable	(b) Number of contributions or items contributed	(c) Noncash contribution amounts reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g	(d) Method of determining noncash contribution amounts
1 Art - Works of art .....				
2 Art - Historical treasures .....				
3 Art - Fractional interests .....				
4 Books and publications .....				
5 Clothing and household goods .....				
6 Cars and other vehicles .....				
7 Boats and planes .....				
8 Intellectual property .....				
9 Securities - Publicly traded .....	X	1	120,771.	FAIR MARKET VALUE
10 Securities - Closely held stock .....				
11 Securities - Partnership, LLC, or trust interests .....				
12 Securities - Miscellaneous .....				
13 Qualified conservation contribution - Historic structures .....				
14 Qualified conservation contribution - Other .....				
15 Real estate - Residential .....				
16 Real estate - Commercial .....				
17 Real estate - Other .....				
18 Collectibles .....				
19 Food inventory .....				
20 Drugs and medical supplies .....				
21 Taxidermy .....				
22 Historical artifacts .....				
23 Scientific specimens .....				
24 Archeological artifacts .....				
25 Other ▶ ( ) .....				
26 Other ▶ ( ) .....				
27 Other ▶ ( ) .....				
28 Other ▶ ( ) .....				

29 Number of Forms 8283 received by the organization during the tax year for contributions  
for which the organization completed Form 8283, Part IV, Donee Acknowledgement .....

29

	Yes	No
30a During the year, did the organization receive by contribution any property reported in Part I, lines 1-28 that it must hold for at least three years from the date of the initial contribution, and which is not required to be used for exempt purposes for the entire holding period? .....		X
b If "Yes," describe the arrangement in Part II.		
31 Does the organization have a gift acceptance policy that requires the review of any non-standard contributions? .....		X
32a Does the organization hire or use third parties or related organizations to solicit, process, or sell noncash contributions? .....		X
b If "Yes," describe in Part II.		
33 If the organization did not report an amount in column (c) for a type of property for which column (a) is checked, describe in Part II.		

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**SCHEDULE O**  
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

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**Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ**

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on  
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.  
▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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FORM 990, PART I, LINE 1, DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION MISSION:

ADVANCING THEIR PERSONAL INTERESTS AND THOSE OF THE NATION.

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4D, OTHER PROGRAM SERVICES:

FELLOWSHIP AWARDS IN ABSENTIA - AIER ALSO EXTENDS FINANCIAL AID TO  
QUALIFIED STUDENTS OF ECONOMICS OR FINANCE TO ASSIST THEM IN THEIR  
GRADUATE LEVEL STUDIES AT THEIR REGULAR UNIVERSITIES. DURING 2010, 22  
STUDENTS RECEIVED THIS AID. ALSO INCLUDES SALES OF PUBLICATIONS.

EXPENSES \$ 62,500. INCLUDING GRANTS OF \$ 62,500. REVENUE \$ 308,857.

VISITING SENIOR FELLOWS - DURING THE SUMMER, THE INSTITUTE INVITES  
PROMINENT INDIVIDUALS IN THE FIELD OF FISCAL, MONETARY, AND PERSONAL  
ECONOMICS TO LECTURE AND DISCUSS TOPICS IN THESE FIELDS WITH THE SUMMER  
FELLOWS.

EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCES - THIS PROGRAM CONSISTS OF HOSTING PERIODIC  
CONFERENCES THAT INVOLVE LEADING SCHOLARS FROM HERE AND ABROAD, AND  
PUBLISHES THE RESULTS OF SUCH ACTIVITIES.

EXPENSES \$ 90,199. INCLUDING GRANTS OF \$ 0. REVENUE \$ 0.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 2: FREDERICK C. HARWOOD & MARJORIE  
GREER (TRUSTEES)

FAMILY RELATIONSHIP - BROTHER & SISTER

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 6: THE MEMBERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE  
THOSE WHO ORIGINALLY ASSOCIATED TO INCORPORATE PLUS ADDITIONAL MEMBERS

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ELECTED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE ORGANIZATION'S BYLAWS. THE MEMBERS OF THE CORPORATION MAY, BY A MAJORITY VOTE, ELECT ADDITIONAL MEMBERS, WHO SHALL SERVE FOR SIX YEARS AND SHALL BE ELIGIBLE FOR RE-ELECTION FOR SUCCESSIVE SIX YEAR TERMS; HOWEVER, THE TERM OF ANY MEMBER WHO IS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE INSTITUTE SHALL EXPIRE ON THE DATE SUCH MEMBER'S STATUS AS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE INSTITUTE IS TERMINATED FOR CAUSE. TRUSTEES WHO ARE NOT MEMBERS OF THE CORPORATION, BUT WHO ARE RE-ELECTED FOR A SECOND TERM AS TRUSTEE, SHALL AUTOMATICALLY THEREBY BECOME MEMBERS OF THE CORPORATION AND SHALL RETAIN THAT STATUS WHILE SERVING AS TRUSTEES.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 7A: THE MEMBERS RESERVE TO THEMSELVES THE POWER TO ELECT THE TRUSTEES; TO ELECT THE SECRETARY OF THE CORPORATION AND TO FILL VACANCIES IN THAT POSITION; AND TO ELECT THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE CORPORATION.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11: FORM 990 IS PREPARED IN CONJUNCTION WITH AN INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTING FIRM AND REVIEWED BY THE ASSISTANT COMPTROLLER AND CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER. A FINAL DRAFT IS DISTRIBUTED TO THE TRUSTEES FOR QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS APPROXIMATELY TWO WEEKS PRIOR TO FILING.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C: ALL OFFICERS AND TRUSTEES COMPLETE AN ANNUAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST FORM. THE SECRETARY KEEPS THIS "ON FILE" AND FORWARDS TO RESPONSIBLE PERSONS ANY INDICATED POTENTIAL CONFLICTS.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15: THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES RETAINED AN INDEPENDENT EMPLOYMENT LAW AND HUMAN RESOURCES CONSULTING FIRM TO CONDUCT A THOROUGH AND INDEPENDENT COMPENSATION REVIEW OF ALL EXECUTIVE POSITIONS.

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THIS SAME FIRM ALSO PROVIDES ANNUAL MARKET AVERAGE MERIT ADJUSTMENT  
RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD. DELIBERATION AND DECISION BY THE BOARD OF  
TRUSTEES REGARDING SALARY ADJUSTMENTS FOR EXECUTIVES ARE BASED ON  
PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS AND MARKET DATA. THESE DECISIONS ARE RECORDED IN  
THE OFFICIAL MINUTES OF ITS MEETING.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19: THESE DOCUMENTS ARE AVAILABLE UPON  
REQUEST.

FORM 990, PART XI, LINE 5, CHANGES IN NET ASSETS:

NET UNREALIZED GAINS ON INVESTMENTS:	505,456.
CHANGE IN VALUE OF SUBSIDIARY	107,690.
CHANGE IN VALUE OF SPLIT INTEREST AGREEMENTS	3,448,362.
ROUNDING	2.
TOTAL TO FORM 990, PART XI, LINE 5	4,061,510.

990, PAGE 12, PART XI, LINE 2C

THE ORGANIZATION'S AUDIT POLICY HAS NOT CHANGED FROM PRIOR YEARS.



**Part III**  
**Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Partnership** (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a partnership during the tax year.)

[illegible]

**Part IV**  
**Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Corporation or Trust** (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a corporation or trust during the tax year.)

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**Part V Transactions With Related Organizations** (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 34, 35, 35a, or 36.)

**Note.** Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III, or IV of this schedule.

**1** During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?

	Yes	No
<b>a</b> Receipt of (i) interest (ii) annuities (iii) royalties or (iv) rent from a controlled entity	X	
<b>b</b> Gift, grant, or capital contribution to other organization(s)		X
<b>c</b> Gift, grant, or capital contribution from other organization(s)		X
<b>d</b> Loans or loan guarantees to or for other organization(s)		X
<b>e</b> Loans or loan guarantees by other organization(s)		X
<b>f</b> Sale of assets to other organization(s)		X
<b>g</b> Purchase of assets from other organization(s)		X
<b>h</b> Exchange of assets		X
<b>i</b> Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to other organization(s)		X
<b>j</b> Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from other organization(s)		X
<b>k</b> Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for other organization(s)		X
<b>l</b> Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by other organization(s)		X
<b>m</b> Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets	X	
<b>n</b> Sharing of paid employees	X	
<b>o</b> Reimbursement paid to other organization for expenses		X
<b>p</b> Reimbursement paid by other organization for expenses		X
<b>q</b> Other transfer of cash or property to other organization(s)		X
<b>r</b> Other transfer of cash or property from other organization(s)		X

**2** If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," see the instructions for information on who must complete this line, including covered relationships and transaction thresholds.

(a) Name of other organization	(b) Transaction type (a-r)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
(1) AMERICAN INVESTMENT SERVICES, INC.	A	120,000.	FAIR MARKET VALUE
(2)			
(3)			
(4)			
(5)			
(6)			

**Part VI** **Unrelated Organizations Taxable as a Partnership** (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 37.)

Provide the following information for each entity taxed as a partnership through which the organization conducted more than five percent of its activities (measured by total assets or gross revenue).

[illegible]