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Form **990-EZ****Short Form**
Return of Organization Exempt From Income TaxUnder section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code
(except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

OMB No 1545-1150

2008**Open to Public Inspection**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

- ▶ Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds and controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990. All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$1,000,000 and total assets less than \$2,500,000 at the end of the year may use this form
- ▶ The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements

A For the 2008 calendar year, or tax year beginning **2/01/08**, and ending **1/31/09**

B Check if applicable: ☐ Address change ☐ Name change ☐ Initial return ☐ Termination ☒ Amended return ☐ Application pending	Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions	C Name of organization THE GUILFORD FOUNDATION, INC.		D Employer identification number 51-0137132
		Number and street (or P.O. box, if mail is not delivered to street address) P.O. BOX 35		E Telephone number 203-458-4040
		City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 GUILFORD CT 06437		F Group Exemption Number ▶

• Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).

G Accounting method ☐ Cash ☒ Accrual
Other (specify) ▶

I Website: ▶ **www.guilfordfoundation.org****J** Organization type (check only one) ☒ 501(c) (**3**) (Insert no) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527**H** Check ☐ if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)**K** Check ☐ if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization and its gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000. A return is not required, but if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return.**L** Add lines 5b, 6b, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts, if \$1,000,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ ▶ \$ **148,666****Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances** (See the instructions for Part I.)

1 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	84,451
2 Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	
3 Membership dues and assessments	3	
4 Investment income	4	16,148
5a Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	35,543
b Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	63,501
c Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a) (attach sch)	5c	-27,958
6 Special events and activities (complete applicable parts of Schedule G). If any amount is from gaming, check here ☐		
a Gross revenue (not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1)	6a	
b Less direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	6b	
c Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (Subtract line 6b from line 6a)	6c	
7a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a	
b Less cost of goods sold	7b	
c Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c	
8 Other revenue (describe ▶ See Statement 2)	8	12,524
9 Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8	9	85,165
10 Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule) See Statement 3	10	58,410
11 Benefits paid to or for members	11	
12 Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	
13 Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	12,343
14 Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	
15 Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	
16 Other expenses (describe ▶ See Statement 4)	16	19,884
17 Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	90,637
18 Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	-5,472
19 Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	1,252,026
20 Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation) See Statement 5	20	-283,413
21 Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	21	963,141

Part II Balance Sheets. If Total assets on line 25, column (B) are \$2,500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ

(See the instructions for Part II.)

	(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	1,270,228	969,337
23 Land and buildings		
24 Other assets (describe ▶)		
25 Total assets	1,270,228	969,337
26 Total liabilities (describe ▶ See Statement 6)	18,202	6,170
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	1,252,026	963,167

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Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (See the instructions for Part III.)**Expenses**

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose?

CHARITABLE

Describe what was achieved in carrying out the organization's exempt purposes. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, or other relevant information for each program title.

(Required for 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) trusts, optional for others.)

28	FOR THE PURPOSES OF TOWN BEAUTIFICATION, CULTURAL ENRICHMENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES SUPPORT TO EIGHT LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS. (Grants \$ 51,363) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ☐	28a	57,763
29	GUILFORD HIGH SCHOOL FOR ACADEMIC AND SOCCER AWARDS. SCHOLARSHIPS FOR BUSINESS TRAINING THROUGH THE BURT FUND. (Grants \$ 4,200) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ☐	29a	4,200
30	TO SUPPORT THE EFFORTS OF THE GUILFORD FUND FOR EDUCATION TO PROMOTE INNOVATION AND EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION. (Grants \$ 2,847) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ☐	30a	2,847
31	Other program services (attach schedule) (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ☐	31a	
32	Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a)	32	64,810

Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees. List each one even if not compensated (See the instructions for Part IV.)

(a) Name and address	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
TIMOTHY P GEELAN 126A UNION STREET Guilford CT 06437	PRESIDENT 6	0	0	0
THOMAS PINCHBECK 191 STATE STREET Guilford CT 06437	TREASURER 5	0	0	0
JOHN CRAWFORD 70 INDIAN HILL ROAD Guilford CT 06437	VICE-PRES #1 3	0	0	0
PAULA L SCHILLER 14 VILLAGE VICTORIA DRIVE Guilford CT 06437	VICE-PRES #2 3	0	0	0
KATE LEE 181 FALCON ROAD Guilford CT 06437	SECRETARY 5	0	0	0
DAVID STEIN 121 LANDONS WAY Guilford CT 06437	DIRECTOR 1	0	0	0
LYNN BUSHNELL 289 GLENWOOD DRIVE Guilford CT 06437	DIRECTOR 1	0	0	0
PAUL HUGHES 810 PODUNK ROAD Guilford CT 06437	DIRECTOR 1	0	0	0
WILLIAM D HUHN 465 CLAPBOARD HILL ROAD Guilford CT 06437	DIRECTOR 1	0	0	0
WILLIAM GUNTHER 186 HALF MILE ROAD Guilford CT 06437	DIRECTOR 1	0	0	0
SHARON BARRETT 3 MEADOWLANDS Guilford CT 06437	DIRECTOR 1	0	0	0
JEFFREY BEATTY 303 MURRAY LANE Guilford CT 06437	DIRECTOR 1	0	0	0
STEVEN PAGE 560 STATE STREET Guilford CT 06437	DIRECTOR 1	0	0	0
SANDRA RUOFF 1066 LITTLE MEADOW ROAD Guilford CT 06437	DIRECTOR 1	0	0	0
KATHRYN TUTTLE 158 PINE GROVE ROAD Guilford CT 06437	DIRECTOR 1	0	0	0
JAN WALZER 503 MULBERRY POINT ROAD Guilford CT 06437	DIRECTOR 1	0	0	0

Part V Other Information (Note the statement requirements in the instructions for Part VI.)

	Yes	No
33 Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity		☒
34 Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents but not reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes		☒
35 If the organization had income from business activities, such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a (among others), but not reported on Form 990-T, attach a statement explaining your reason for not reporting the income on Form 990-T		
a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more or section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements?		☒
b If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?		
36 Was there a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N		☒
37a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions 37a		
b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?		☒
38a Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still unpaid at the start of the period covered by this return?		☒
b If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved 38b		
39a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9		
39b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities		
40a Section 501(c)(3) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911 40a , section 4912 40a , section 4955 40a		
b Section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or did it become aware of an excess benefit transaction from a prior year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		☒
c Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 40c		
d Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization 40d		
e All organizations At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T		☒
41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed 41 CT		
42a The books are in care of 42a MICHELE FITZGERALD Telephone no 42a 203-530-2633 60 VISTA DRIVE Located at 42a GUILFORD, CT ZIP + 4 42a 06437		
b 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)?		☒
If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country 42b		
See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.		
c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U S ?		☒
If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country 42c		
43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041—Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year 43		
44 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		☒
45 Is any related organization a controlled entity of the organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		☒

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations only. All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 46-49 and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

	Yes	No
46 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		☒
47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II		☒
48 Is the organization operating a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E		☒
49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?		☒
49b If "Yes," was the related organization(s) a section 527 organization?		

50 Complete this table for the five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

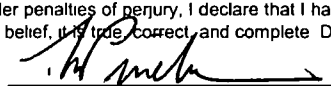
(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$100,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
None				
Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000				X

51 Complete this table for the five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
None		
Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000		X

Sign Here

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.

 Date 1/18/2010

Signature of officer
Type or print name and title
Thomas M. Pinchbeck, Treasurer

Paid Preparer's Use Only

Preparer's signature Charles A. Possidente Date 1/15/10 Check if self-employed ☒ Preparer's Identifying Number (See instr.) P00647902

Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4 Brierley, Cadwell & Possidente, LLC
741 Boston Post Rd Ste 307
Guilford, CT 06437-2638

EIN 20-4202056
Phone no 203-453-2989

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions

☒ Yes ☐ No

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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.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	31,683	24,990	124,549	124,879	84,477	390,578
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 1-3	31,683	24,990	124,549	124,879	84,477	390,578
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)						181,683
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						208,895

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	31,683	24,990	124,549	124,879	84,477	390,578
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	17,741	31,506	34,569	43,285	16,148	143,249
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.)						
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						533,827
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	
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 ► ☐						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2008 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	39.1316 %
15 Public support percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 26f	15	58.8274 %
16a 33 1/3 % support test—2008. 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 ► ☒		
b 33 1/3 % support test—2007. 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 ► ☐		
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2008. 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 ► ☐		
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2007. 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 ► ☐		
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 ► ☐		

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.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 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						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1-5						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of 1% of the total of lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12 for the year or \$5,000						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public support (Subtract line 7c from line 6)						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
13 Total support. (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

15 Public support percentage for 2008 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27g	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2008 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27h	18	%

19a **33 1/3 % support tests—2008.** 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—2007.** 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 ☐

Part IV Supplemental Information. Complete this part to provide the explanation required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; or Part III, line 12. Provide any other additional information. (see instructions)**Support Schedule - Unusual Grants**

CASH BEQUEST FROM ESTATE OF EFFIE A GOOD	\$	310,891
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Amended Return ExplanationDescription

TAXPAYER AMENDS FORM 990EZ TO REFLECT CHANGES RESULTING FROM AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

**Statement 1 - Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 5c - Sale of Assets Other than Inventory -
Securities**

Description		How Received	Whom Sold	Date Acquired	Date Sold	Sale Price	Cost & Expense	Depreciation	Gain / Loss
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION GRTR NEW HAVEN		Purchase		Various	Various	\$ 34,989	\$ 62,935	\$	-27,946
FEDERAL EXPRESS		Donation		Various	2/01/08	554	566		-12
Total						\$ 35,543	\$ 63,501	0	-27,958

Statement 2 - Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 8 - Other Revenue

Description	Amount
DEFERRED REVENUE	\$ 12,524
Total	\$ 12,524

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Statement 3 - Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 10 - Grants and Similar Amounts Paid

Name and Address Description of Property	Relationship to Organization		Class of Activity		Date of Gift	Purpose
	Cash Contribution	Noncash Contribution	Book Value	Book Value Explanation		
GUILFORD FREE LIBRARY 67 PARK STREET GUILFORD, CT 06437	10,000	NONE	GRANT		3/17/08	PURCHASE RESOURCES
GUILFORD LAND CONSERVATION TR 32 COUNTY RD GUILFORD, CT 06437	8,000	NONE	GRANT		3/17/08	PRESERVATION OF LAND
GUILFORD CENTER FOR CHILDREN, INC 53 PARK ST GUILFORD, CT 06437	12,500	NONE	GRANT		10/23/08	CONSTRUCT NEW BLDG
Total	30,500					

Federal Statements

Statement 4 - Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16 - Other Expenses

Description	Amount
Expenses	\$
SUPPLIES	1,661
POSTAGE & SHIPPING	140
PRINTING & COPYING	1,160
BOOKKEEPING	3,766
CONSULTING	6,400
OFFICE EXPENSES-PROOFING	100
SECRETARIAL	1,661
MAILING SERVICE	4,680
BANK CHARGES	291
CT FILING FEE	25
Total	\$ 19,884

Statement 5 - Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 20 - Other Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances

Description	Amount
UNREALIZED DEPRECIATION: INVESTMENTS	\$ -283,412
ROUNDING	-1
Total	\$ -283,413

Statement 6 - Form 990-EZ, Part II, Line 26 - Total Liabilities

Description	Beginning of Year	End of Year
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	\$ 2,320	\$ 2,471
Deferred Revenue	-1,612	-14,137
CUSTODIAL FUNDS	17,494	17,836
	18,202	6,170