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Form **990-PF**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Return of Private Foundation**
or Section 4947(a)(1) Nonexempt Charitable Trust

Treated as a Private Foundation

Note: The foundation may be able to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements

OMB No 1545-0052

2008

For calendar year 2008, or tax year beginning

09/01, 2008, and ending

08/31, 2009

G Check all that apply ☐ Initial return ☐ Final return ☐ Amended return ☐ Address change ☐ Name changeUse the IRS
label.
Otherwise,
print
or type.
See Specific
Instructions.

Name of foundation

LERNER FOUNDATION

Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address)

241 FIRST AVENUE NORTH

City or town, state, and ZIP code

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55401-1607

A Employer identification number

23-7032703

B Telephone number (see page 10 of the instructions)

(612) 332-3344

C If exemption application is pending, check here ☐D 1 Foreign organizations, check here ☐2 Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation ☐E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here ☐F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here ☐H Check type of organization ☒ Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation☐ Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust ☐ Other taxable private foundationI Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col. (c), line 16) ☐ \$ 935,111.J Accounting method ☒ Cash ☐ Accrual
☐ Other (specify) _____
(Part I, column (d) must be on cash basis)**Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses** (The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a) (see page 11 of the instructions))

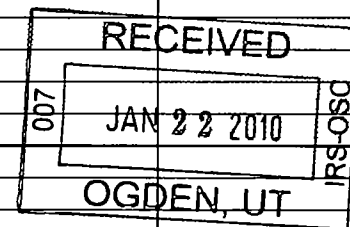
(a) Revenue and expenses per books

(b) Net investment income

(c) Adjusted net income

(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)

	(a) Revenue and expenses per books	(b) Net investment income	(c) Adjusted net income	(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)
1 Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., received (attach schedule)	26,190.			
2 Check ☐ if the foundation is not required to attach Sch. B.				
3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments				
4 Dividends and interest from securities	22,192.	22,192.		STMT 1
5a Gross rents				
b Net rental income or (loss)				
6a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10	-98,860.			
b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a	43,170.			
7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)				
8 Net short-term capital gain				
9 Income modifications				
10a Gross sales less returns and allowances				
b Less Cost of goods sold				
c Gross profit or (loss) (attach schedule)				
11 Other income (attach schedule)				
12 Total. Add lines 1 through 11	-50,478.	22,192.		
13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc.	NONE			
14 Other employee salaries and wages				
15 Pension plans, employee benefits				
16a Legal fees (attach schedule)				
b Accounting fees (attach schedule)				
c Other professional fees (attach schedule)				
17 Interest				
18 Taxes (attach schedule) (see page 14 of the instructions) *	4,677.	159.		
19 Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion				
20 Occupancy				
21 Travel, conferences, and meetings				
22 Printing and publications				
23 Other expenses (attach schedule) STMT. 3	132.	107.		25.
24 Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23	4,809.	266.		25.
25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid	40,401.			40,401.
26 Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25	45,210.	266.		40,426.
27 Subtract line 26 from line 12				
a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	-95,688.			
b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)		21,926.		
c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)			-0-	



Part II Balance Sheets

Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only (See instructions)

		Beginning of year	End of year	
		(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value
Assets	1 Cash - non-interest-bearing	14,846.	33,896.	33,346.
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	106,435.	111,975.	111,975.
	3 Accounts receivable ▶			
	Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
	4 Pledges receivable ▶			
	Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
	5 Grants receivable			
	6 Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons (attach schedule) (see page 15 of the instructions)			
	7 Other notes and loans receivable (attach schedule) ▶			
	Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
	8 Inventories for sale or use			
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges			
	10 a Investments - U S and state government obligations (attach schedule)			
	b Investments - corporate stock (attach schedule) . STMT 4 .	672,041.	551,763.	789,790.
	c Investments - corporate bonds (attach schedule)			
	11 Investments - land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶			
Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶				
12 Investments - mortgage loans				
13 Investments - other (attach schedule)				
14 Land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶				
Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶				
15 Other assets (describe ▶)				
16 Total assets (to be completed by all filers - see the instructions Also, see page 1, item I)	793,322.	697,634.	935,111.	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses			
	18 Grants payable			
	19 Deferred revenue			
	20 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons .			
	21 Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule)			
	22 Other liabilities (describe ▶)			
23 Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)				
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ ☐			
	and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.			
	24 Unrestricted			
	25 Temporarily restricted			
	26 Permanently restricted			
	Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here and complete lines 27 through 31. ▶ ☒			
	27 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds	718,482.	718,482.	
	28 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg, and equipment fund			
	29 Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds . .	74,840.	-20,848.	
30 Total net assets or fund balances (see page 17 of the instructions)	793,322.	697,634.		
31 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances (see page 17 of the instructions)	793,322.	697,634.		

Part III Analysis of Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances

1 Total net assets or fund balances at beginning of year - Part II, column (a), line 30 (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	1	793,322.
2 Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	-95,688.
3 Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	3	
4 Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	697,634.
5 Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	5	
6 Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5) - Part II, column (b), line 30	6	697,634.

Part IV Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income

(a) List and describe the kind(s) of property sold (e.g., real estate, 2-story brick warehouse, or common stock, 200 shs MLC Co.)			(b) How acquired P-Purchase D-Donation	(c) Date acquired (mo., day, yr.)	(d) Date sold (mo., day, yr.)
1a SEE PART IV SCHEDULE					
b					
c					
d					
e					
(e) Gross sales price	(f) Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	(g) Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	(h) Gain or (loss) (e) plus (f) minus (g)		
a					
b					
c					
d					
e					
Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69			(i) Gains (Col. (h) gain minus col. (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col. (h))		
(i) F M V as of 12/31/69	(j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess of col. (i) over col. (j), if any			
a					
b					
c					
d					
e					
2 Capital gain net income or (net capital loss)			2	-79,675.	
If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7 If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7					
3 Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6)			3		
If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c) (see pages 13 and 17 of the instructions) If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8.					

Part V Qualification Under Section 4940(e) for Reduced Tax on Net Investment Income

(For optional use by domestic private foundations subject to the section 4940(a) tax on net investment income.)

If section 4940(d)(2) applies, leave this part blank.

Was the foundation liable for the section 4942 tax on the distributable amount of any year in the base period? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," the foundation does not qualify under section 4940(e). Do not complete this part.

1 Enter the appropriate amount in each column for each year, see page 18 of the instructions before making any entries

(a) Base period years Calendar year (or tax year beginning in)	(b) Adjusted qualifying distributions	(c) Net value of noncharitable-use assets	(d) Distribution ratio (col. (b) divided by col. (c))
2007	79,151.	1,104,422.	0.071667
2006	74,776.	1,031,560.	0.072488
2005	72,909.	1,042,412.	0.069943
2004	73,223.	1,255,372.	0.058328
2003	71,680.	848,728.	0.084456
2 Total of line 1, column (d)			2 0.356882
3 Average distribution ratio for the 5-year base period - divide the total on line 2 by 5, or by the number of years the foundation has been in existence if less than 5 years			3 0.071376
4 Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2008 from Part X, line 5			4 891,870.
5 Multiply line 4 by line 3			5 63,658.
6 Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)			6 219.
7 Add lines 5 and 6			7 63,877.
8 Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4			8 40,426.

If line 8 is equal to or greater than line 7, check the box in Part VI, line 1b, and complete that part using a 1% tax rate. See the Part VI instructions on page 18.

Part VI Excise Tax Based on Investment Income (Section 4940(a), 4940(b), 4940(e), or 4948 - see page 18 of the instructions)

1a	Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here ☐ and enter "N/A" on line 1		
	Date of ruling letter _____ (attach copy of ruling letter if necessary - see instructions)		
b	Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here ☐ and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b	1	439.
c	All other domestic foundations enter 2% of line 27b. Exempt foreign organizations enter 4% of Part I, line 12, col (b)		
2	Tax under section 511 (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)	2	
3	Add lines 1 and 2	3	439.
4	Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)	4	NONE
5	Tax based on investment income. Subtract line 4 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-	5	439.
6	Credits/Payments		
a	2008 estimated tax payments and 2007 overpayment credited to 2008	6a	2,600.
b	Exempt foreign organizations-tax withheld at source	6b	NONE
c	Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868)	6c	NONE
d	Backup withholding erroneously withheld	6d	
7	Total credits and payments. Add lines 6a through 6d	7	2,600.
8	Enter any penalty for underpayment of estimated tax. Check here ☐ if Form 2220 is attached	8	
9	Tax due. If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter amount owed	9	
10	Overpayment. If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the amount overpaid	10	2,161.
11	Enter the amount of line 10 to be Credited to 2009 estimated tax	11	2,161. Refunded

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities

		Yes	No
1a	During the tax year, did the foundation attempt to influence any national, state, or local legislation or did it participate or intervene in any political campaign?		X
b	Did it spend more than \$100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes (see page 19 of the instructions for definition)? If the answer is "Yes" to 1a or 1b, attach a detailed description of the activities and copies of any materials published or distributed by the foundation in connection with the activities		X
c	Did the foundation file Form 1120-POL for this year?		X
d	Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year: (1) On the foundation \$ _____ (2) On foundation managers \$ _____		
e	Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers \$ _____		
2	Has the foundation engaged in any activities that have not previously been reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of the activities		X
3	Has the foundation made any changes, not previously reported to the IRS, in its governing instrument, articles of incorporation, or bylaws, or other similar instruments? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes		X
4a	Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?		X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?		N/A
5	Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T		X
6	Are the requirements of section 508(e) (relating to sections 4941 through 4945) satisfied either: • By language in the governing instrument, or • By state legislation that effectively amends the governing instrument so that no mandatory directions that conflict with the state law remain in the governing instrument?	X	
7	Did the foundation have at least \$5,000 in assets at any time during the year? If "Yes," complete Part II, col (c), and Part XV.	X	
8a	Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see page 19 of the instructions) MN		
b	If the answer is "Yes" to line 7, has the foundation furnished a copy of Form 990-PF to the Attorney General (or designate) of each state as required by General Instruction G? If "No," attach explanation	X	
9	Is the foundation claiming status as a private operating foundation within the meaning of section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5) for calendar year 2008 or the taxable year beginning in 2008 (see instructions for Part XIV on page 27)? If "Yes," complete Part XIV		X
10	Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses		X

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Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)

11	At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(3)? If "Yes," attach schedule (see page 20 of the instructions)	11		X
12	Did the foundation acquire a direct or indirect interest in any applicable insurance contract before August 17, 2008?	12		X
13	Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application?	13	X	
Website address ▶ <u>N/A</u>				
14	The books are in care of ▶ <u>HARRY LERNER</u> Telephone no ▶ <u>612-332-3344</u>			
	Located at ▶ <u>241 FIRST AVE N, MINNEAPOLIS, MN MINNEAPOLIS, MN</u> ZIP + 4 ▶ <u>55401-1607</u>			
15	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here N/A ▶ ☐			
	and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year ▶ <u>15</u>			

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required

File Form 4720 if any item is checked in the "Yes" column, unless an exception applies.

		Yes	No
1a	During the year did the foundation (either directly or indirectly)		
(1)	Engage in the sale or exchange, or leasing of property with a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
(2)	Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
(3)	Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
(4)	Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
(5)	Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
(6)	Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (Exception. Check "No" if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days) ☐ Yes ☒ No		
b	If any answer is "Yes" to 1a(1)-(6), did any of the acts fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4941(d)-3 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see page 20 of the instructions)? ☐ 1b		N/A
c	Did the foundation engage in a prior year in any of the acts described in 1a, other than excepted acts, that were not corrected before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2008? ☐ 1c		X
2	Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5))		
a	At the end of tax year 2008, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2008? ☐ Yes ☐ No If "Yes," list the years ▶ _____		
b	Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is not applying the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) (relating to incorrect valuation of assets) to the year's undistributed income? (If applying section 4942(a)(2) to all years listed, answer "No" and attach statement - see page 20 of the instructions) <u>SEE STATEMENT 5</u> 2b		
c	If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to any of the years listed in 2a, list the years here ▶ _____		
3a	Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
b	If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2008 as a result of (1) any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969, (2) the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest, or (3) the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2008) 3b		N/A
4a	Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes? 4a		X
b	Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2008? 4b		X

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Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required (continued)

5a During the year did the foundation pay or incur any amount to

(1) Carry on propaganda, or otherwise attempt to influence legislation (section 4945(e))? ☐ Yes ☒ No

(2) Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955), or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive? ☐ Yes ☒ No

(3) Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes? ☐ Yes ☒ No

(4) Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc., organization described in section 509(a)(1), (2), or (3), or section 4940(d)(2)? (see page 22 of the instructions) ☐ Yes ☒ No

(5) Provide for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals? ☐ Yes ☒ No

b If any answer is "Yes" to 5a(1)-(5), did any of the transactions fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4945 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see page 22 of the instructions)? **5b** ☐ Yes ☒ No **N/A**

Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here ☐

c If the answer is "Yes" to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant? **N/A** ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945-5(d)

6a Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? ☐ Yes ☒ No

b Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? **6b** ☐ Yes ☒ No **X**

If you answered "Yes" to 6b, also file Form 8870

7a At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? ☐ Yes ☒ No

b If yes, did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction? **7b** ☐ Yes ☒ No **N/A**

Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors**1 List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation (see page 22 of the instructions).**

(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 and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
SEE STATEMENT 6		NONE	NONE	NONE

2 Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1 - see page 23 of the instructions). If none, enter "NONE."

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
NONE				

Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000 **NONE**

Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors (continued)**3 Five highest-paid independent contractors for professional services (see page 23 of the instructions). If none, enter "NONE."**

(a) Name and address of each person paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		

Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services **NONE**

Part IX-A Summary of Direct Charitable Activities

List the foundation's four largest direct charitable activities during the tax year. Include relevant statistical information such as the number of organizations and other beneficiaries served, conferences convened, research papers produced, etc.	Expenses
1 <u>N/A</u>	
2	
3	
4	

Part IX-B Summary of Program-Related Investments (see page 23 of the instructions)

Describe the two largest program-related investments made by the foundation during the tax year on lines 1 and 2	Amount
1 <u>NONE</u>	
2	
All other program-related investments See page 24 of the instructions	
3 <u>NONE</u>	
Total. Add lines 1 through 3	

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Part X Minimum Investment Return (All domestic foundations must complete this part. Foreign foundations, see page 24 of the instructions.)

1	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes		
a	Average monthly fair market value of securities	1a	722,229.
b	Average of monthly cash balances	1b	183,223.
c	Fair market value of all other assets (see page 24 of the instructions)	1c	NONE
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c)	1d	905,452.
e	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation)	1e	
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets	2	NONE
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	905,452.
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1 1/2 % of line 3 (for greater amount, see page 25 of the instructions)	4	13,582.
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	891,870.
6	Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5	6	44,594.

Part XI Distributable Amount (see page 25 of the instructions) (Section 4942(j)(3) and (j)(5) private operating foundations and certain foreign organizations check here ☐ and do not complete this part)

1	Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6	1	44,594.
2a	Tax on investment income for 2008 from Part VI, line 5	2a	439.
b	Income tax for 2008 (This does not include the tax from Part VI)	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b	2c	439.
3	Distributable amount before adjustments. Subtract line 2c from line 1	3	44,155.
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions	4	
5	Add lines 3 and 4	5	44,155.
6	Deduction from distributable amount (see page 25 of the instructions)	6	
7	Distributable amount as adjusted. Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1	7	44,155.

Part XII Qualifying Distributions (see page 25 of the instructions)

1	Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc., purposes		
a	Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc. - total from Part I, column (d), line 26	1a	40,426.
b	Program-related investments - total from Part IX-B	1b	NONE
2	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes	2	NONE
3	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the		
a	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required)	3a	NONE
b	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule)	3b	NONE
4	Qualifying distributions. Add lines 1a through 3b. Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4	4	40,426.
5	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income. Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b (see page 26 of the instructions)	5	N/A
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4	6	40,426.

Note: The amount on line 6 will be used in Part V, column (b), in subsequent years when calculating whether the foundation qualifies for the section 4940(e) reduction of tax in those years

Part XIII Undistributed Income (see page 26 of the instructions)

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2007	(c) 2007	(d) 2008
1 Distributable amount for 2008 from Part XI, line 7				44,155.
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2007				
a Enter amount for 2007 only				
b Total for prior years 20____, 20____, 20____				
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2008				
a From 2003	29,530.			
b From 2004	12,180.			
c From 2005	19,662.			
d From 2006	23,992.			
e From 2007	26,528.			
f Total of lines 3a through e	111,892.			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2008 from Part XII, line 4 ▶ \$ 40,426.				
a Applied to 2007, but not more than line 2a				
b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required - see page 26 of the instructions)				
c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required - see page 26 of the instructions)				
d Applied to 2008 distributable amount				40,426.
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	NONE			
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2008 . (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a))	3,729.			3,729.
6 Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
a Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e Subtract line 5	108,163.			
b Prior years' undistributed income Subtract line 4b from line 2b				
c Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed				
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b Taxable amount - see page 27 of the instructions				
e Undistributed income for 2007 Subtract line 4a from line 2a Taxable amount - see page 27 of the instructions				
f Undistributed income for 2008 Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1 This amount must be distributed in 2009				
7 Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3) (see page 27 of the instructions)				
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2003 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see page 27 of the instructions)	25,801.			
9 Excess distributions carryover to 2009. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a	82,362.			
10 Analysis of line 9				
a Excess from 2004	12,180.			
b Excess from 2005	19,662.			
c Excess from 2006	23,992.			
d Excess from 2007	26,528.			
e Excess from 2008				

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Part XV Supplementary Information (continued)**3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment**

Recipient Name and address (home or business)	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
a <i>Paid during the year</i> SEE STATEMENT 9				
Total			▶ 3a	40,401.
b <i>Approved for future payment</i>				
Total			▶ 3b	

Part XVI-A Analysis of Income-Producing Activities

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated	Unrelated business income		Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514		(e) Related or exempt function income (See page 28 of the instructions)
	(a) Business code	(b) Amount	(c) Exclusion code	(d) Amount	
1 Program service revenue					
a _____					
b _____					
c _____					
d _____					
e _____					
f _____					
g Fees and contracts from government agencies					
2 Membership dues and assessments					
3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments					
4 Dividends and interest from securities			14	22,192.	
5 Net rental income or (loss) from real estate					
a Debt-financed property					
b Not debt-financed property					
6 Net rental income or (loss) from personal property .					
7 Other investment income			18	-98,860.	
8 Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory					
9 Net income or (loss) from special events					
10 Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory . .					
11 Other revenue a _____					
b _____					
c _____					
d _____					
e _____					
12 Subtotal. Add columns (b), (d), and (e)				-76,668.	
13 Total. Add line 12, columns (b), (d), and (e)					-76,668.

Part XVI-B Relationship of Activities to the Accomplishment of Exempt Purposes

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Schedule of Contributors

OMB No 1545-0047

▶ Attach to Form 990, 990-EZ, and 990-PF.

2008

Name of the organization

LERNER FOUNDATION

Employer identification number

23-7032703

Organization type (check one)

Filers of:

Section:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

☒ 501(c)(3) (enter number) organization

☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation

☐ 527 political organization

Form 990-PF

☒ 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation

☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation

☐ 501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**. (Note. Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.)

General Rule

☒ For organizations filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II.

Special Rules

☐ For a section 501(c)(3) organization filing Form 990, or Form 990-EZ, that met the 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ % support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1)/170(b)(1)(A)(vi), and received from any one contributor, during the year, a contribution of the greater of (1) \$5,000 or (2) 2% of the amount on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h or 2% of the amount on Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.

☐ For a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990, or Form 990-EZ, that received from any one contributor, during the year, aggregate contributions or bequests of more than \$1,000 for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.

☐ For a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990, or Form 990-EZ, that received from any one contributor, during the year, some contributions for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but these contributions did not aggregate to more than \$1,000. (If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Do not complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received nonexclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$5,000 or more during the year.) ▶ \$ _____

Caution. Organizations that are not covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules do not file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF), but they **must** answer "No" on Part IV, line 2 of their Form 990, or check the box in the heading of their Form 990-EZ, or on line 2 of their Form 990-PF, to certify that they do not meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

Name of organization **LERNER FOUNDATION**

Employer identification number

23-7032703

Part I Contributors (see instructions)

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Aggregate contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	HARRY LERNER 241 FIRST AVENUE NORTH MINNEAPOLIS, MN	\$ 18,490.	Person ☒ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☒ (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution)
2	LERNER PUBLISHING GROUP 1251 WASHINGTON AVE NORTH MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55401	\$ 7,500.	Person ☒ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution)
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Lerner Foundation
Account QuickReport
 September 2008 through August 2009

Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount
Contributions Paid				
9/23/2008	2677	Whitman Society	Academic - Woodshole, MA	1,000 00
9/23/2008	2678	Adath Jeshurun Foundation	General - Minnetonka, Minnesota	250 00
9/23/2008	2679	Minnesota Library Foundation	General - St. Paul, Minnesota	1,000 00
10/14/2008	2680	Library Foundation of Hennepin County	General - Minneapolis, Minnesota	300.00
10/27/2008	2681	Ameinu	General - New York, NY	300.00
10/27/2008	2682	Cookie Cart	General - Minneapolis, Minnesota	300 00
11/4/2008	2683	Friends of Lifeline for the Old	General - Jerusalem, Israel	1,000.00
11/5/2008	2684	Or Emet	General - Eagan, Minnesota	260.00
11/12/2008	2685	Talmud Torah of St. Paul Day School	Academic - St. Paul, Minnesota	500.00
11/18/2008	2686	Greater Twin Cities United Way	General - Minneapolis, MN	988.00
12/4/2008	2687	Humanistic Judaism	General - Farmington Hills, MI	150 00
12/4/2008	2688	Friends of Lifeline for the Old	General - Jerusalem, Israel	1,000.00
12/9/2008	2689	St. Anthony Park Community Foundation	General - St. Paul, Minnesota	100.00
12/30/2008	2690	Walker Art Center	General - Minneapolis Minnesota	500.00
12/30/2008	2691	Minnesota Orchestra	General - Minneapolis, Minnesota	100 00
12/30/2008	2692	Minneapolis Institute of Arts	General - Minneapolis, Minnesota	1,000.00
1/7/2009	2693	Guthrie Theater	General - Minneapolis, Minnesota	100 00
1/12/2009	2694	Beth Ami Congregation Sisterhood	General - Boca Raton, Florida	75.00
1/12/2009	2695	MinnPost	General - Minneapolis, Minnesota	100 00
2/5/2009	2699	Brady Center to Prevent Gun Violence	General - Washington, DC	200 00
2/5/2009	2700	Friends of Lifeline for the Old	General - Jerusalem, Israel	500 00
2/10/2009	2701	Talmud Torah of Minneapolis	General - St. Louis Park, Minnesota	75.00
2/19/2009	2702	Karen Siegel-Jacobs Fund - Adath Jeshurun	General - Minnetonka, Minnesota	250.00
3/18/2009	2703	University of Minnesota Foundation	Academic - St. Paul, Minnesota	500 00
4/16/2009	2704	River's Edge Academy	Academic - St. Paul, Minnesota	500.00
4/28/2009	2705	Books for Africa	Academic - St. Paul, Minnesota	1,000 00
5/5/2009	2706	University of Minnesota Foundation	Academic - St. Paul, Minnesota	3,500.00
5/13/2009	2707	Macalester College	Academic - St. Paul, Minnesota	2,500.00
5/13/2009	2708	JCRC	General - Minneapolis, Minnesota	500.00
5/21/2009	2709	The Highlights Foundation Special Fund	General - Honesdale, PA	500.00
5/21/2009	2710	American Cancer Society	Medical - Minneapolis, Minnesota	100.00
5/27/2009	2711	Minnesota Public Radio	General - St. Paul, Minnesota	30 00
6/1/2009	2712	Milkweed Editions	General - Minneapolis, Minnesota	5,000 00
6/4/2009	2713	Asian Counseling and Referral Service	General - Seattle, WA	200.00
6/9/2009	2714	Minnesota Library Foundation	Academic - St. Paul, Minnesota	500.00
6/18/2009	2715	Minnesota Medical Foundation	Medical - Minneapolis, MN	500.00
6/23/2009	2716	Muscular Dystrophy	Medical - Edina, Minnesota	25.00
7/9/2009	2717	St. Louis Park Dollars for Scholars	Academic - Minneapolis, MN	50.00
7/23/2009	2718	AchieveMpls	Academic - Minneapolis, MN	200.00
7/23/2009	2719	St. Paul Minneapolis Committee on Foreign	General - Roseville, MN	500 00
7/23/2009	2720	Sister's Camelot	General - Minneapolis, MN	25 00
7/23/2009	2721	Sholom Home Auxiliary	General - St. Louis Park, MN	18 00
8/6/2009	2722	Adath Jeshurun Congregation	General - Minnetonka, MN	3,055 00
8/6/2009	2723	Minneapolis Jewish Federation	General - Minneapolis, MN	5,100.00
8/6/2009	2724	Amicus, Inc.	General - Minneapolis, MN	100 00
8/6/2009	2725	Jewish Community Action	General - St. Paul, Minnesota	450 00
8/11/2009	2726	B'nai B'rith Foundation	General - Washington, DC	100.00
8/11/2009	2727	Temple Israel	General - Minneapolis, MN	1,800 00
8/13/2009	2728	University of Minnesota Human Rights Cent	Academic - Minneapolis, MN	200.00
8/18/2009	2729	James Sewell Ballet	General - Minneapolis, MN	250.00
8/18/2009	2730	Frances Sachs Fund Orai Emet	General - Minneapolis, MN	100 00
8/18/2009	2731	University of Minnesota (Kerlan Friends)	Academic - Minneapolis, MN	500 00
8/18/2009	2732	El Colegio	General - Minneapolis, MN	500 00
8/18/2009	2733	Dunning Boosters	General - St. Paul, MN	500.00
8/28/2009	2734	Minnesota Library Association	Academic - St. Paul, MN	1,000 00
8/28/2009	2735	Anderson Center	General - Red Wing, Minnesota	300 00
8/28/2009	2736	Adath Jeshurun Foundation	General - Minnetonka, MN	250 00
Total Contributions Paid				40,401 00
TOTAL				40,401.00

FORM 990PF, PART I - DIVIDENDS AND INTEREST FROM SECURITIES

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DESCRIPTION	REVENUE AND EXPENSES PER BOOKS	NET INVESTMENT INCOME
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RECOM SECURITIES INC	19,505.	19,505.
LINSCO	1,497.	1,497.
SCHWABB	1,190.	1,190.
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TOTAL	22,192.	22,192.
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FORM 990PF, PART I - TAXES
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DESCRIPTION -----	REVENUE AND EXPENSES PER BOOKS -----	NET INVESTMENT INCOME -----
FEDERAL TAXES	1,918.	
ESTIMATED TAXES	2,600.	
FOREIGN TAXES	159.	159.
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TOTALS	4,677.	159.
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FORM 990PF, PART I - OTHER EXPENSES
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DESCRIPTION -----	REVENUE AND EXPENSES PER BOOKS -----	NET INVESTMENT INCOME -----	CHARITABLE PURPOSES -----
MN FILING FEE	25.		25.
LLP BROKER FEE	95.	95.	
ACCOUNT FEES	12.	12.	
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TOTALS	132.	107.	25.
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FORM 990PF, PART II - CORPORATE STOCK

DESCRIPTION	BEGINNING BOOK VALUE	ENDING BOOK VALUE	ENDING FMV
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275-BRISTOL MYERS SQUIBB CO	NONE	NONE	6,086.
166-CITIGROUP INC	5,340.	5,340.	830.
200-CISCO SYSTEMS	7,211.	7,211.	4,320.
325-EMC CORP	NONE	NONE	5,167.
190-IBM	18,011.	18,011.	22,430.
100-JOHNSON & JOHNSON	5,011.	5,011.	6,044.
0-ALCATEL	117,807.	NONE	NONE
550-MEDTRONIC INC	7,853.	7,853.	21,065.
400-MERCK & CO	13,050.	13,050.	12,972.
350-MICROSOFT	18,179.	18,179.	8,628.
1000- NORTHERN TRUST CORP	30,432.	30,432.	58,460.
13,500-PENTAIR INC	191,676.	167,931.	382,455.
200-TARGET	5,801.	5,801.	9,400.
1936-VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS	54,656.	54,422.	60,093.
300-WELLS FARGO	5,873.	5,873.	8,256.
1825.9210-MAIRS & POWER GROWTH	116,667.	116,423.	107,821.
1448.924-DODGE & COX INT'L	57,063.	60,325.	43,279.
96- IDEARC, INC.	2,079.	2,079.	4.
200 - 3M	15,332.	15,332.	14,420.
1000 - CHARLES SCHWAB CORP	NONE	18,490.	18,060.
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TOTALS	672,041.	551,763.	789,790.
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FORM 990PF, PART VII-B - SECTION 4942 (A) (2) EXPLANATION
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FORM 990PF, PART VIII - LIST OF OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AND TRUSTEES

NAME AND ADDRESS	TITLE AND AVERAGE HOURS PER WEEK DEVOTED TO POSITION	COMPENSATION	CONTRIBUTIONS TO EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS	EXPENSE ACCT' AND OTHER ALLOWANCES
HARRY LERNER 241 FIRST AVENUE NORTH MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55401	PRESIDENT/TREASURER 1.	NONE	NONE	NONE
GRAND TOTALS				
		NONE	NONE	NONE

FORM 990PF, PART XV - NAME, ADDRESS AND PHONE FOR APPLICATIONS
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HARRY LERNER

990PF, PART XV - FORM AND CONTENTS OF SUBMITTED APPLICATIONS
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THERE IS NO FORMAL FORM OR PROCESS. A LETTER STATING ORGANIZATIONS
CHARITABLE FUNCTION AND PURPOSE FOR WHICH MONEY WILL BE USED.

FORM 990PF, PART XV - GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS PAID DURING THE YEAR

RELATIONSHIP TO SUBSTANTIAL CONTRIBUTOR

AND

FOUNDATION STATUS OF RECIPIENT

RECIPIENT NAME AND ADDRESS

PURPOSE OF GRANT OR CONTRIBUTION

AMOUNT

SEE ATTACHED SCHEDULE

NONE

PUBLIC

GENERAL FUNDING

40,401.

TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS PAID

40,401.

FORM 990-PF - PART IV
CAPITAL GAINS AND LOSSES FOR TAX ON INVESTMENT INCOME

Kind of Property		Description				P or D	Date acquired	Date sold
Gross sale price less expenses of sale	Depreciation allowed/ allowable	Cost or other basis	FMV as of 12/31/69	Adj basis as of 12/31/69	Excess of FMV over adj basis		Gain or (loss)	
		TOTAL LONG-TERM CAPITAL GAIN DIVIDENDS					3,538.	
526.		284 - ALCATEL PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES 117,807.				P	VAR	02/03/2009
							-117,281.	
38,868.		1000 - PENTAIR PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES 4,560.				D	VAR	09/25/2008
							34,308.	
83.		36 - FAIRPOINT COMMUNICATIONS INC PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES 234.				P	VAR	02/03/2009
							-151.	
155.		3.826 - MAIRS & POWERS GRWTH FD PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES 244.				P	VAR	12/03/2008
							-89.	
TOTAL GAIN (LOSS)							----- -79,675. =====	