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Form 990-PF

Return of Private Foundation
or Section 4947(a)(1) Nonexempt Charitable Trust
Treated as a Private Foundation

OMB No 1545-0052

2009

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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

For calendar year 2009, or tax year beginning 01-01-2009 , and ending 12-31-2009

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Check all that apply

☐ Initial return

☐ Initial return of a former public charity

☐ Final return

☐ Amended return

☐ Address change

☐ Name change

Use the IRS label. Otherwise, print or type. See Specific Instructions.

Name of foundation
The Poetry Foundation

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

Room/suite

City or town, state, and ZIP code
Chicago, IL 60611

A Employer identification number
36-2490808

B Telephone number (see page 10 of the instructions)

(312) 787-7070

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 foundation

I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col (c), line 16) \$ 179,377,552

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)
Revenue	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, etc , received (attach schedule)	7,820			
	2 Check ☒ if the foundation is not required to attach Sch B				
	3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	6,817	6,817	6,817	
	4 Dividends and interest from securities.	1,425,644	1,425,644	1,425,644	
	5a Gross rents				
	b Net rental income or (loss) _____				
	6a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10	-1,924,535			
	b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a 1,957,121				
	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				
Operating and Administrative Expenses	b Less Cost of goods sold				
	c Gross profit or (loss) (attach schedule)				
	11 Other income (attach schedule)	610,678	4,026	625,584	
	12 Total. Add lines 1 through 11	126,424	1,436,487	2,058,045	
	13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc	485,120	101,555	101,555	383,566
	14 Other employee salaries and wages	907,209	6,984	6,984	895,606
	15 Pension plans, employee benefits	400,765	10,155	10,155	375,502
	16a Legal fees (attach schedule)	130,482	11,903	11,903	115,814
	b Accounting fees (attach schedule)	58,380	0	0	66,255
	c Other professional fees (attach schedule)	896,947	0	0	895,173
	17 Interest				
	18 Taxes (attach schedule) (see page 14 of the instructions)	215,205	0	0	216,559
	19 Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion	150,297	1,729	1,729	
	20 Occupancy	282,846	9,697	9,697	281,341
	21 Travel, conferences, and meetings	388,020			376,880
	22 Printing and publications	1,068,237		463,511	562,104
	23 Other expenses (attach schedule)	1,017,287	288,431	452,596	516,111
	24 Total operating and administrative expenses.				
	Add lines 13 through 23	6,000,795	430,454	1,058,130	4,684,911
	25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid	714,198			0
	26 Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25	6,714,993	430,454	1,058,130	4,684,911
	27 Subtract line 26 from line 12				
	a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	-6,588,569			
	b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)		1,006,033		
	c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)			999,915	

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	106,362	55,717	55,717
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments	3,338,725	1,949,867	1,949,867
	3	Accounts receivable ▶ <u>56,202,546</u>			
		Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ <u>1,431</u>	44,174	56,201,115	56,201,115
	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	112,215	116,581	116,581
	10a	Investments—U S and state government obligations (attach schedule)			
	b	Investments—corporate stock (attach schedule)	42,714,705	54,613,263	54,613,263
	c	Investments—corporate bonds (attach schedule).	14,271,353	16,816,025	16,816,025
	11	Investments—land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ _____			
	Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶ _____				
12	Investments—mortgage loans				
13	Investments—other (attach schedule)	5,102,765	3,272,605	3,272,605	
14	Land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ <u>10,230,899</u>				
	Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶ <u>1,117,520</u>	8,631,699	9,113,379	9,113,379	
15	Other assets (describe ▶ _____)	76,947,865	37,239,000	37,239,000	
16	Total assets (to be completed by all filers—see the instructions Also, see page 1, item I)	151,269,863	179,377,552	179,377,552	
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses	911,936	863,497	
	18	Grants payable	62,500	5,979	
	19	Deferred revenue	513,200	489,653	
	20	Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons			
	21	Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule)			
	22	Other liabilities (describe ▶ _____)	207,214	7,135	
	23	Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)	1,694,850	1,366,264	
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	72,491,901	140,636,780	
	25	Temporarily restricted	76,951,931	37,243,066	
	26	Permanently restricted	131,181	131,442	
		Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ ☐ and complete lines 27 through 31.			
	27	Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds			
	28	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg , and equipment fund			
	29	Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds			
	30	Total net assets or fund balances (see page 17 of the instructions)	149,575,013	178,011,288	
	31	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances (see page 17 of the instructions)	151,269,863	179,377,552	

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	149,575,013
2	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	-6,588,569
3	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ _____	3	35,316,783
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	178,303,227
5	Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ _____	5	291,939
6	Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5)—Part II, column (b), line 30	6	178,011,288

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)
1 a	PUBLICLY TRADED SECURITIES - SHORT TERM	P		
b	PUBLICLY TRADED SECURITIES - CAP GN DIST	P		
c	COMMONFUND - CAP GN DIST	P		
d	PUBLICLY TRADED SECURITIES - LONG TERM	P		
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 144,683		154,153	-9,470
b 16,297			16,297
c 664,657		669,562	-4,905
d 1,131,484		3,057,941	-1,926,457
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			-9,470
b			16,297
c			-4,905
d			-1,926,457
e			

2 Capital gain net income or (net capital loss)	{ If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7 If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7 }	2	-1,924,535
3 Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6) 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		3	-9,470

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))
2008			
2007			
2006			
2005			
2004			

2 Total of line 1, column (d).	2	
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	
4 Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2009 from Part X, line 5.	4	
5 Multiply line 4 by line 3.	5	
6 Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b).	6	
7 Add lines 5 and 6.	7	
8 Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4.	8	

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 or determination letter <u>2008-08-01</u> (attach copy of letter if necessary—see instructions)		1	N/A		
b Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here ☐ and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b					
c All other domestic foundations enter 2% of line 27b Exempt foreign organizations enter 4% of Part I, line 12, col (b)		2			
2 Tax under section 511 (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only Others enter -0-)					
3 Add lines 1 and 2.		3	0		
4 Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only Others enter -0-)		4			
5 Tax based on investment income. Subtract line 4 from line 3 If zero or less, enter -0-		5	0		
6 Credits/Payments					
a	2009 estimated tax payments and 2008 overpayment credited to 2009			6a	
b	Exempt foreign organizations—tax withheld at source			6b	
c	Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868)			6c	
d	Backup withholding erroneously withheld	6d			
7 Total credits and payments Add lines 6a through 6d.		7	0		
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	0		
10 Overpayment. If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the amount overpaid.		10			
11 Enter the amount of line 10 to be Credited to 2010 estimated tax ☒ Refunded ☐		11			

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities						
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?		Yes	No		
		1a		No		
		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)? <i>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</i>			No
1b				No		
c	Did the foundation file Form 1120-POL for this year?.					No
		1c		No		
		d	Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year (1) On the foundation ☒ \$ <u>0</u> (2) On foundation managers ☒ \$ <u>0</u>			
e	Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers ☒ \$ <u>0</u>					
				2	Has the foundation engaged in any activities that have not previously been reported to the IRS? <i>If "Yes," attach a detailed description of the activities</i>	
		2				No
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? <i>If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes</i>					No
		3		No		
		4a	Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?.	4a	Yes	
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?.			4b	Yes	
				5	Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year? <i>If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T</i>	
		5				No
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?					
		6	Yes			
		7	Did the foundation have at least \$5,000 in assets at any time during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Part II, col (c), and Part XV</i>	7	Yes	
8a	Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see page 19 of the instructions) ☒ IL					
				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? <i>If "No," attach explanation .</i>	8b
		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 2009 or the taxable year beginning in 2009 (see instructions for Part XIV on page 27)? <i>If "Yes," complete Part XIV</i>			
9	Yes					
10	Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses</i>					No
		10		No		

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)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule (see page 20 of the instructions).	11		No
12	Did the foundation acquire a direct or indirect interest in any applicable insurance contract before August 17, 2008?	12		No
13	Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address  www.poetryfoundation.org	13	Yes	
14	The books are in care of  CAREN SKOULAS Telephone no  (312) 799-8001 Located at  444 NORTH MICHIGAN AVE STE 1850 CHICAGO IL ZIP+4  60611			
15	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of Form 1041 —Check here  ☐ and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year.		15	

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)?. ☐ Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here.  ☐	1b		No
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 2009?. ☐	1c		No
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 2009, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2009?. ☐ Yes ☒ No If "Yes," list the years  20____, 20____, 20____, 20____			
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). ☐	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  20____, 20____, 20____, 20____			
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 2009 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? (<i>Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2009</i>). ☐	3b		
4a	Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?	4a		No
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 2009?	4b		No

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)?

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

☒

5b

No

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?

☐ 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?

☐

If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870

6b

No

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

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 Additional Data Table				

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
CATHY HALLEY	ONLINE EDITOR	95,000	10,451	0
444 N MICHIGAN AVE CHICAGO,IL 60611	35 0			
STEPHEN YOUNG	PROGRAM DIRECTOR	91,530	27,345	0
444 N MICHIGAN AVE CHICAGO,IL 60611	35 0			
ANNE HALSEY	MEDIA DIRECTOR	74,339	29,978	0
444 N MICHIGAN AVE CHICAGO,IL 60611	35 0			
DON SHARE	ASSOCIATE EDITOR	71,400	36,737	0
444 N MICHIGAN AVE CHICAGO,IL 60611	35 0			
BETH ALLEN	PROJECT MANAGER	70,679	22,875	0
444 N MICHIGAN AVE CHICAGO,IL 60611	35 0			
Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000.				

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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
TIERRA INNOVATIONS INC 45 MAIN ST STE 1008 BROOKLYN,NY 11201	WEB DESIGN SERVICES	354,722
JOHN RONAN ARCHITECTS 320 W OHIO STREET 4E CHICAGO,IL 60610		
MAYER BROWN LLP 230 S LASALLE STREET CHICAGO,IL 60604	ARCHITECTURE SERVICE	259,778
CURTIS FOX PRODUCTIONS 60 PLAZA STREET 8B BROOKLYN,NY 11238	LEGAL SERVICES	126,474
BA TURBES INC 11560 195TH ST WEST LAKEVILLE,MN 55044	AUDIO PRODUCTION	110,843
	MARKETING SERVICES	91,647
Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services.		10

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 "POETRY" MAGAZINE- SEE PAGE 16	1,540,555
2 POETRYFOUNDATION ORG- SEE PAGE 17	1,338,138
3 EDUCATIONAL AND PUBLIC PROGRAMS- SEE PAGE 18	1,835,202
4 LILLY AWARDS AND OTHER PRIZES- SEE PAGE 19	46,964

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 NONE	0
2	
All other program-related investments See page 24 of the instructions	
3	0
Total. Add lines 1 through 3.	0

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	65,680,009
b	Average of monthly cash balances.	1b	5,343,449
c	Fair market value of all other assets (see page 24 of the instructions).	1c	37,109,581
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c).	1d	108,133,039
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	0
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d.	3	108,133,039
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see page 25 of the instructions).	4	1,621,996
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3 Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	106,511,043
6	Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5.	6	5,325,552

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	
2a	Tax on investment income for 2009 from Part VI, line 5.	2a	
b	Income tax for 2009 (This does not include the tax from Part VI).	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b.	2c	
3	Distributable amount before adjustments Subtract line 2c from line 1.	3	
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions.	4	
5	Add lines 3 and 4.	5	
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	

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	4,684,911
b	Program-related investments—total from Part IX-B.	1b	0
2	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc , purposes.	2	582,833
3	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the		
a	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required).	3a	0
b	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule).	3b	0
4	Qualifying distributions. Add lines 1a through 3b Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4	4	5,267,744
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	
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4.	6	5,267,744
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 2008	(c) 2008	(d) 2009
1	Distributable amount for 2009 from Part XI, line 7				
2	Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2008				
a	Enter amount for 2008 only.			0	
b	Total for prior years 2007 , 2006 , 2005				
3	Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2009				
a	From 2004.				
b	From 2005.				
c	From 2006.				
d	From 2007.				
e	From 2008.				
f	Total of lines 3a through e.				
4	Qualifying distributions for 2009 from Part XII, line 4 ➤ \$ _____				
a	Applied to 2008, 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 2009 distributable amount.				
e	Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	0			
5	Excess distributions carryover applied to 2009 (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a))				
6	Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
a	Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e Subtract line 5	0			
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 2008 Subtract line 4a from line 2a Taxable amount—see page 27 of the instructions			0	
f	Undistributed income for 2009 Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1 This amount must be distributed in 2010				0
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 2004 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see page 27 of the instructions)				
9	Excess distributions carryover to 2010. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a	0			
10	Analysis of line 9				
a	Excess from 2005.				
b	Excess from 2006.				
c	Excess from 2007.				
d	Excess from 2008.				
e	Excess from 2009.	0			

Part XIV

Private Operating Foundations (see page 27 of the instructions and Part VII-A, question 9)

1a

If the foundation has received a ruling or determination letter that it is a private operating foundation, and the ruling is effective for 2009, enter the date of the ruling.

2008-08-01

b

Check box to indicate whether the organization is a private operating foundation described in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5)

☒ 4942(j)(3) or ☐ 4942(j)(5)

	Tax year	Prior 3 years			(e) Total
	(a) 2009	(b) 2008	(c) 2007	(d) 2006	
2a Enter the lesser of the adjusted net income from Part I or the minimum investment return from Part X for each year listed	999,915	877,715	1,672,426		3,550,056
b 85% of line 2a	849,928	746,058	1,421,562		3,017,548
c Qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 for each year listed	5,267,744	5,876,200	12,718,151		23,862,095
d Amounts included in line 2c not used directly for active conduct of exempt activities					
e Qualifying distributions made directly for active conduct of exempt activities Subtract line 2d from line 2c	5,267,744	5,876,200	12,718,151		23,862,095
3 Complete 3a, b, or c for the alternative test relied upon					
a "Assets" alternative test—enter					
(1) Value of all assets					
(2) Value of assets qualifying under section 4942(j)(3)(B)(i)					0
b "Endowment" alternative test— enter 2/3 of minimum investment return shown in Part X, line 6 for each year listed.	3,550,368	3,192,253	3,178,807		9,921,428
c "Support" alternative test—enter					
(1) Total support other than gross investment income (interest, dividends, rents, payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), or royalties)					0
(2) Support from general public and 5 or more exempt organizations as provided in section 4942(j)(3)(B)(iii).					0
(3) Largest amount of support from an exempt organization					0
(4) Gross investment income					0

Part XV

Supplementary Information (Complete this part only if the organization had \$5,000 or more in assets at any time during the year—see page 27 of the instructions.)

1 Information Regarding Foundation Managers:

a List any managers of the foundation who have contributed more than 2% of the total contributions received by the foundation before the close of any tax year (but only if they have contributed more than \$5,000) (See section 507(d)(2))

NONE

b List any managers of the foundation who own 10% or more of the stock of a corporation (or an equally large portion of the ownership of a partnership or other entity) of which the foundation has a 10% or greater interest

NONE

2 Information Regarding Contribution, Grant, Gift, Loan, Scholarship, etc., Programs:

Check here ☒ if the foundation only makes contributions to preselected charitable organizations and does not accept unsolicited requests for funds If the foundation makes gifts, grants, etc (see page 28 of the instructions) to individuals or organizations under other conditions, complete items 2a, b, c, and d

a The name, address, and telephone number of the person to whom applications should be addressed

Stephen Young Program Director
444 N Michigan Ave Suite 1850
Chicago, IL 60611
(312) 799-8002

b The form in which applications should be submitted and information and materials they should include

FOR GRANTS TO EXEMPT ORGANIZATIONS, APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE MADE BY LETTER AND SHOULD INCLUDE INFORMATION ABOUT THE REQUESTING ORGANIZATION AND A DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF HOW THE GRANT WILL BE USED APPLYING ORGANIZATIONS SHOULD INCLUDE DOCUMENTS VERIFYING TAX STATUS APPLICATIONS FOR SUPPORT FOR NEEDY POETS SHOULD BE MADE BY LETTER BY INDIVIDUALS NOT RELATED TO THE POET INFORMATION THAT ALLOWS THE FOUNDATION TO VERIFY THE POET'S STATUS MUST BE PROVIDED

c Any submission deadlines

THERE ARE NO SUBMISSION DEADLINES GRANT APPLICATIONS ARE REVIEWED PERIODICALLY ON A YEAR ROUND BASI

d Any restrictions or limitations on awards, such as by geographical areas, charitable fields, kinds of institutions, or other factors

THE POETRY FOUNDATION IS A PRIVATE OPERATING FOUNDATION AND PRIMARILY RUNS ITS OWN PROGRAMS WE HAVE A SMALL GRANTS PROGRAM FOR ORGANIZATIONS WHOSE WORK IS CONSISTENT WITH THE FOUNDATION'S MISSION AND WHO MAY BE BETTER ABLE TO FULFILL THE FOUNDATION'S MISSION IN PARTICULAR AREAS WE ALSO HAVE A SMALL FUND TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO POETS IN EMERGENCY FINANCIAL SITUATIONS, PRIMARILY RELATED TO HEALTHCARE

Part XV

Supplementary Information (continued)

3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment

Recipient	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
Name and address (home or business)				
a Paid during the year See Additional Data Table				
Total			3a	714,198
b Approved for future payment				
Total			3b	

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated

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

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Part XVII Information Regarding Transfers To and Transactions and Relationships With Noncharitable Exempt Organizations

1	Did the organization directly or indirectly engage in any of the following with any other organization described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3) organizations) or in section 527, relating to political organizations?		Yes	No
a	Transfers from the reporting foundation to a noncharitable exempt organization of			
	(1) Cash.	1a(1)		No
	(2) Other assets.	1a(2)		No
b	Other transactions			
	(1) Sales of assets to a noncharitable exempt organization.	1b(1)		No
	(2) Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization.	1b(2)		No
	(3) Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets.	1b(3)		No
	(4) Reimbursement arrangements.	1b(4)		No
	(5) Loans or loan guarantees.	1b(5)		No
	(6) Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations.	1b(6)		No
c	Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees.	1c		No
d	If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," complete the following schedule. Column (b) should always show the fair market value of the goods, other assets, or services given by the reporting foundation. If the foundation received less than fair market value in any transaction or sharing arrangement, show in column (d) the value of the goods, other assets, or services received.			

[illegible]

2a Is the foundation directly or indirectly affiliated with, or related to, one or more tax-exempt organizations described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3)) or in section 527? ☐ Yes ☒ No

b If "Yes," complete the following schedule		
(a) Name of organization	(b) Type of organization	(c) Description of relationship

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 taxpayer or fiduciary) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge					
	***** Signature of officer or trustee		2010-09-21 Date		***** Title	
	Paid Preparer's Use Only	Preparer's Signature		Date		Check if self-employed ☒ Preparer's identifying number (see Signature on page 30 of the instructions)
		Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP code GRANT THORNTON LLP 175 W JACKSON BLVD STE 2000 CHICAGO, IL 60604		EIN		Phone no (312) 856-0200

Additional Data

Software ID: 09000054

Software Version: 09-7.3

EIN: 36-2490808

Name: The Poetry Foundation

Form 990PF Part VIII Line 1 - List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation

(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
THOMAS C CRONIN	TRUSTEE 2 0	0	0	0
444 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60611				
CHARLES T CULLEN	TRUSTEE 2 0	0	0	0
444 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60611				
DEBORAH CUMMINS	TRUSTEE 2 0	0	0	0
444 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60611				
SUSAN PAGE ESTES	TRUSTEE 2 0	0	0	0
444 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60611				
CELIA HILLIARD	TRUSTEE 2 0	0	0	0
444 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60611				
ETHEL R KAPLAN	TRUSTEE 2 0	0	0	0
444 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60611				
BILL KURTIS	TRUSTEE 2 0	0	0	0
444 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60611				
JOHN J KENNEY	VICE CHAIR 2 0	0	0	0
444 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60611				
Donald G Marshall	Chair 2 0	0	0	0
444 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60611				
ROBERT C MCCORMACK	TRUSTEE 2 0	0	0	0
444 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60611				
NORRIS MCNAMARA	TRUSTEE 2 0	0	0	0
444 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60611				
DANIEL MENAKER	TRUSTEE 2 0	0	0	0
444 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60611				
PETER MINARIK	TRUSTEE 2 0	0	0	0
444 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60611				
Patricia Nissen	Vice Chair 2 0	0	0	0
444 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60611				
PAUL RUXIN	TRUSTEE 2 0	0	0	0
444 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60611				
Robert Wedgeworth	Secretary 2 0	0	0	0
444 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60611				
ADDIE S BAKER	EMERITUS 1 0	0	0	0
444 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60611				
GILDA R BUCHBINDER	EMERITUS 1 0	0	0	0
444 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60611				
ANDY AUSTIN COHEN	EMERITUS 1 0	0	0	0
444 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60611				
BRYAN FUERMANN	EMERITUS 1 0	0	0	0
444 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60611				
RUTH HORWICH	EMERITUS 1 0	0	0	0
444 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60611				
EILEEN MACKEVICH	EMERITUS 1 0	0	0	0
444 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60611				
DIANA PRINCE	EMERITUS 1 0	0	0	0
444 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60611				
RUDOLPH RASIN	EMERITUS 1 0	0	0	0
444 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60611				
John Barr	President 35 0	237,749	54,820	0
444 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60611				
Caren Skoulas	CFO 35 0	154,300	45,495	0
444 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60611				
Christian Wiman	Editor, Poetry Magazine 35 0	93,071	25,177	0
444 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60611				

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Recipient	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
Name and address (home or business)				
a Paid during the year				
Abdul-Hamid Shamsuddin34 Harding Terrace Newark,NJ 07103	NONE	Individual	Recitation Prize	200
Abigail VolmerPO Box 47 Craftsbury Common,VT 05827	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Academy of American Poets584 Broadway Suite 604 New York,NY 100123210	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Sponsorship, National Poetry Month poster	10,000
Aleca Piper4721 12th St NE Washington,DC 20017	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Alena Yang268 Birch Drive Roslyn,NY 11576	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Alex Cummiskey405 North Hampton Court Middletown,DE 19709	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Alexander Barnes523 Strawberry Lane Ashland,OR 97520	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Alexander MartinezPO Box 2192 San German,PR 00683	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Allissa Hertz208 E Elm Street Russellville,AR 72802	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Allyson Lewis1027 North Walker Ave Lakeland,FL 33805	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Amber Johnson16 Woodbine St Providence,RI 02906	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	1st Place National Scholarship Prize	20,000
Amber Rose Johnson16 Woodbine St Providence,RI 02906	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
American Public Media480 Cedar St Saint Paul,MN 55101	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for poetry on radio	60,000
American Public Media480 Cedar St Saint Paul,MN 55101	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Poetry Initiative	23,901
Andreas Mendritzki5162 Casgrain Apt A Montreal,QC H2T 1W7 CA	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Poetry Film Prize, CICFF	10,000
Total  3a				714,198

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a Paid during the year				
Angela GoldbergPO Box 657 Kunkletown,PA 18058	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Angela Mlinko15 Whelan Ave Crotonon Hudson,NY 10520	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Criticism Award	10,000
Annette Putnam340 7th Street Andover,IL 61233	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Annette Putnam340 7th St Andover,IL 61233	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Finalist for National Scholarship Prize	1,000
Arts High School550 Dr ML King Jr Blvd Newark,NJ 07102	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Arturo Jaras Watts3 Cutts Road Durham,NH 03824	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
ArvadaClearmont Sheridan County School DistrictPO Box 125 Clearmont,WY 82835	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Ashland High School201 S Mountain Ave Ashland,OR 97520	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Ashley Hall172 Rutledge Avenue Charleston,SC 29403	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Assoc of Literary Scholars and Critics 650 Beacon Street Suite 510 Boston,MA 02215	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	General Support	10,000
Auburn High School405 South Dean Road Auburn,AL 36830	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Auburn HS405 S Dean Rd Auburn,AL 36830	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for book purchase, Finalist	500
AWPMail Stop 1E3 George Mason Univers Fairfax,VA 22030	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Sponsorship for AWP Conference	10,000
Bangor High School885 Broadway Bangor,ME 04401	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Barbara Gooding1112 Devane Lane Frankford,KY 40601	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Total  3a				714,198

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a Paid during the year				
Barbara Gooding1112 Devane Ln Frankfort,KY 40601	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Finalist for National Scholarship Prize	1,000
Basis Scottsdale11440 N 136th Street Scottsdale,AZ 85259	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Beechwood High School150 Beechwood Road Ft Mitchell,KY 41017	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Ben Reilly432 S Emerson Street Denver,CO 80209	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Benjamin Banneker Academic HS800 Euclid Street NW Washington,DC 20001	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Box Elder High School380 South 600 West Brigham City,UT 84302	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Branson White7718 Euper Lane Fort Smith,AR 72903	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
BreAnna Jones110 N 55th Ave Yakima,WA 98908	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Brianna Anderson641 12 1/2 Ave East West Fargo,ND 58078	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Brianna Anderson641 12 1/2 Ave E West Fargo,ND 58078	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Finalist for National Scholarship Prize	1,000
Broad Ripple Magnet High School1115 Broad Ripple Ave Indianapolis,IN 46220	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Brookfield Central High School16900 W Gebhardt Rd Brookfield,WI 53005	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Brookfield Central HS16900 W Gebhardt Rd Brookfield,WI 53005	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for book purchase, Finalist	500
Brownell Talbot400 N Happy Hollow Blvd Omaha,NE 68132	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Brynn Tran5823 SW Seville Ave Lake Oswego,OR 97035	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Total ▶ 3a				714,198

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a <i>Paid during the year</i>				
Buchholz High School5510 NW 27th Avenue Gainesville,FL 32606	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Caitlin Varquez1722 Loch Drive Cullman,AL 35055	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Carbondale Community High School1301 E Walnut Carbondale,IL 62901	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Carin Young91-1102 Aawa Drive Ewa Beach,HI 96706	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Caroline Liston142 S 100 E Brigham City,UT 84302	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Carson High School1111 N Saliman Road Carson City,NV 89702	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Carver Magnet High School2100 S Victory St Houston,TX 77088	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Casha Gloria Mills1017 N 22nd Street Kansas City,KS 66102	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Castell Abner III212 Beau Tree Drive Wilmington,DE 19810	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Catherine Horton2309 NW Crosby Park Blvd Lawton,OK 73505	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Cave Canem Foundations Inc20 Jay St Ste 310-A Brooklyn,NY 11201	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	To support literary programs	5,000
Centennial High School -Peoria AZ14388 N 79th Ave Peoria,AZ 85381	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Center for Social Media American University3201 New Mexico Ave NW Ste 330 Washington,DC 200162739	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	General Support	25,500
Central High School -Springfield MO423 E Central St Springfield,MO 65802	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Chaminade-Julienne High School505 S Ludlow St Dayton,OH 45402	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
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a Paid during the year				
Charles W Collyard4448 Snail Lake Blvd Shoreview,MN 55126	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Charleston Co School of the Arts5109 W Enterprise Street N Charleston,SC 29405	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Chicago State University Foundation9501 S King Drive/ADM 322 Chicago,IL 60628	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	The Gwendolyn Brooks Center	2,500
Chloe Honum320 W Meadow Street 2 Fayetteville,AR 72701	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Ruth Lilly Poetry Foundation Fellowship	15,000
Christian Sanchez-Bartz12006 Sycamore St Norwalk,CA 90650	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Chugiak High School16525 S Birchwood Loop Road Chugiak,AK 99567	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Classical High School770 Westminster Street Providence,RI 02903	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Classical High School770 Westminster Street Providence,RI 02903	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for book purchase, Finalist	500
Clifton A Smith671 Friendship Rd Brownsville,TN 38012	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Clovis High SchoolPO Box 19000 Clovis,NM 88102	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Colleen G Friedly964 N Audubon Road Indianapolis,IN 46219	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
College of Marin Foundation835 College Avenue Kentfield,CA 94949	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	General Support	250
Coming Home Connection418 Cerillos Rd Ste 27 Santa Fe,NM 875012664	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	N Scott Momaday Sponsorship	2,500
Concord High School2501 Ebright Road Wilmington,DE 19810	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Covington High School73030 Lion Drive Covington,LA 70433	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Total  3a				714,198

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Name and address (home or business)				
a Paid during the year				
Daniel L Mitchell6711 SW 63rd Lane Gainesville,FL 32608	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Devin Bean3041 North Cottonwood Lane Rexburg,ID 83440	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
DeVonna Smith1818 Steuben Road Reading,PA 19602	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Diego Steele14380 Lolocreek Rd Lolo,MT 59847	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Diego Steele14380 Lolocreek Rd Lolo,MT 59847	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Finalist for National Scholarship Prize	1,000
Donald Paterson4 Law St Dundee,ANGUS DD3 6HT UK	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Frederick Bock Prize	500
Donte Wright7200 TC Jester Houston,TX 77088	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Douglas Henry Eber4201 Beckleysville Rd Hampstead,MD 21074	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Duke Ellington School of the Arts3500 R Street NW Washington,DC 20007	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Dylan Arcelli5 Center St Vernon,CT 06066	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Edward M Kennedy Academy for Health Care360 Huntington Ave 102 CA Boston,MA 02115	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Edwin Carbajal15 Cannon Road Wilton,CT 06897	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Elizabeth A Porter275 Richardson Highway Delta Jct,AK 99737	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Elizabeth Andronic12502 N 78th Drive Peoria,AZ 85381	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Elizabeth Armstrong3202 S Country Club Rd Stillwater,OK 74074	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Total  3a				714,198

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a <i>Paid during the year</i>				
Elize Lockwood2995 Topaz Lane Carmel,IN 46032	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Emma Bailey189 Smithfield Rd Oakland,ME 04963	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Eric Ekstrand1508 W Main 4 Houston,TX 77006	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Ruth Lilly Poetry Foundation Fellowship	15,000
Fanny HowePO Box 1130 West Tisbury,MA 025751130	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Lilly Award	100,000
Find Craig Arnold UNIWYO Federal Credit Union1610 East Reynolds Street Laramie,WY 82072	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	General Support	2,500
Forest Hills Central5901 Hall St Grand Rapids,MI 49546	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Gabriel Mustin133 North Springs Court Acworth,GA 30101	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
George Washington High School655 S Monaco Pkwy Denver,CO 80224	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Great River School1326 Energy Park Drive St Paul,MN 55108	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Guild ComplexPO Box 478880 Chicago,IL 606479998	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	To support literary programs	5,000
Gwen Morrison601 E Anson St Marshalltown,IA 50158	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Haley Henderson1206 East F Street Moscow,ID 83843	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Harrison School for the Arts750 Hollingsworth Rd Lakeland,FL 33801	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Haywood High School1175 E College Brownsville,TN 38012	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Hereford High School17301 York Road Parkton,MD 21120	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
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Herricks High School100 Shelter Rock Road New Hyde Park, NY 11040	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Ilya Kaminsky4128 Mississippi St 4 San Diego, CA 92104	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Levinson Prize	500
Ivanna Eudora Kean High School6501 Red Hook Plaza Suite 3 St Thomas, VI 00802	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Ivanna Eudora Kean HIGH SCHOOL 6501 Red Hook Plaza Ste 3 St Thomas, VI 00802	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for book purchase, Finalist	500
Jake Kramer6300 N 7th Street Lincoln, NE 68521	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
James Madison Memorial High School 201 S Gammon Road Madison, WI 53705	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Jarrel B Montgomery7042 Tree Lane Madison, WI 53717	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Jasmine Lewis1 Briarcliff Dr Huntington, WV 25704	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Jason Gurriel67 Paulart Drive Toronto, ON M9B 3V8 CA	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Editors Prize for reviewing	1,000
Jeffrey Schultz4445 W 28th Street Los Angeles, CA 90016	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Ruth Lilly Poetry Foundation Fellowship	15,000
Jessica Wilder11021 Kaskanak Drive Eagle River, AK 99577	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
John Eze Uzodinma II408 Fairfield Drive Madison, MS 39110	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
John MarshallPO Box 377 Chelsea, VT 05038	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
John-Emmett Mahon509 Timberline Drive South Sioux, NE 687763830	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Joseph Spece17 Deerfield Rd Medway, MA 02053	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Ruth Lilly Poetry Foundation Fellowship	15,000
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Judah LoVatoPO Box 85 Clearmont, WY 82835	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Kaley Schwab3377 County Road 139 Mandan, ND 58554	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Kate Nienhauser8206 E Del Camino Scottsdale, AZ 85258	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Kennesaw Mountain High School1898 Kennesaw Due West Rd Kennesaw, GA 30152	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Krista Lambert1513 Reen Drive Lufkin, TX 75904	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Kristen Dupard308 Carr Meadow Dr Ridgeland, MS 39157	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Kursh Memorial Library706 South Raguet Lufkin, TX 75904	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
La Cueva High School7801 Wilshire Ave NE Albuquerque, NM 87122	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Lakeridge High School1235 Overlook Drive Lake Oswego, OR 970340339	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Laura Hufstad1120 Donegal Street Casper, WY 82609	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Lauren Di Nicola2856 Colonnade Dr Mt Pleasant, SC 29466	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Lauren Treiber6897 Forest Valley SE Grand Rapids, MI 49546	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Lawton High School601 NW Ft Sill Blvd Lawton, OK 73505	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Little Wound High SchoolPO Box 500 Finance Street Kyle, SD 57752	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Lynsay Strahorn181 Trailwoods Drive Dayton, OH 45415	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
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Madeline Bunke3715 Nassau Drive Brookfield, WI 53045	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Madeline Bunke3715 Nassau Dr Brookfield, WI 53045	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Finalist for National Scholarship Prize	1,000
Madison Hamel5805 36th Ave E Tacoma, WA 98443	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Maggie Jordan8305 Hwy 74 East Marshville, NC 28103	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Main Street Academy1101 Main Street Grandview, MO 64030	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Malachy Black4521B Avenue H Austin, TX 78751	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Ruth Lilly Poetry Foundation Fellowship	15,000
Mandan High School905 8th Avenue Northwest Mandan, ND 58554	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Margaret Fried811 S Hutchinson St Philadelphia, PA 19147	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Editors Prize for Feature Article	1,000
Margaret Gonzalez38220 Royalton Rd Grafton, OH 44044	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Maria Hefte916 W 24th Ave Covington, LA 70433	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Mariah Watkins1 Kerr Way Roxbury, MA 02120	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Markayla McCarter3116 Chess Parsons, KS 67357	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Marshalltown High School1602 S 2nd Ave Marshalltown, IA 50158	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Messalonskee High School131 Messalonskee High Drive Oakland, ME 04963	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Middletown High School120 Silver Lake Rd Middletown, DE 19709	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
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a Paid during the year				
Milikan High School2800 Snowden Ave Long Beach,CA 90815	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Morgan Brown603 Spruce Ave Pacific Grove,CA 93950	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Moscow High School402 East Fifth Street Moscow,ID 838432966	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Natalya Tausanovitch27 Farrwood Rd Windham,NH 03087	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Naydimar Torres-SerranoHC 02 / Box 9281 Guaynabo,PR 00971	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
NC School of Science and Math1219 Broad Street Durham,NC 27705	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Nora Sandler5617 Wood Way Bethesda,MD 20816	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Nora Sandler5617 Wood Way Bethesda,MD 20816	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	3rd Place National Scholarship Prize	5,000
North Smithfield High School412 Greenville Road North Smithfield,RI 02896	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Northwestern University - English Dept1897 Sheridan Rd Evanston,IL 60208	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Five Muslim American Poets	1,000
Northwestern University - English Dept1897 Sheridan Rd Evanston,IL 60208	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Five Muslim American Poets	1,000
Ooltewah High School6123 Mountain View Road Ooltewah,TN 37363	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Orion High School1100 13th Street Orion,IL 61273	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Orion HIGH SCHOOL1100 13th St Orion,IL 61273	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for book purchase, Finalist	500
Oyster River High School55 Coe Drive Durham,NH 03824	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
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a Paid during the year				
Pacific Grove High School615 Sunset Dr Pacific Grove,CA 93950	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Parkview Christian School4400 North 1st Street Lincoln,NE 68521	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Parsons High School3030 Morton Parsons,KS 67357	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Peace Makers Academy6000 East Gordon Drive Sioux City,IA 51106	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Pleasant Valley High SchoolRoute 209 Brodheads ville,PA 18322	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Poetry Society of America15 Gramercy Park New York,NY 10003	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	General Support	10,000
Prospect Hill Academy Charter School50 Essex St Cambridge,MA 02139	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Puyallup High School105 7th Street SW Puyallup,WA 98371	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Rainshadow CCHS121 Vesta St Reno,NV 89502	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for book purchase, Finalist	500
Rainshadow Community Charter High School121 Vesta ST Reno,NV 89502	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Rappahannock High School6914 Richmond Road Warsaw,VA 22572	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Rappahannock High School6914 Richmond Rd Warsaw,VA 22572	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for book purchase, Finalist	500
Reading Senior High School801 North 13th Street Reading,PA 19604	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Reagan Upshaw100 Liberty St Beacon,NY 12508	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Best Letter Prize	250
Recitation 1st Place State Prize 2 Schools444 N Michigan Ave Chicago,IL 60611	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	1,000
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Recitation 1st Place State Prize 2 Students444 N Michigan Ave Chicago,IL 60611	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Recitation Prize	400
Recitation 2nd Place State Prize 10 Schools444 N Michigan Ave Chicago,IL 60611	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	2,000
Recitation 2nd Place State Prize 10 Students444 N Michigan Ave Chicago,IL 60611	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Recitation Prize	1,000
Emily Orellana2955 Lakeside Dr Unit 129D Reno,NV 89509	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Finalist for National Scholarship Prize	1,000
Richard Montgomery High School250 Richard Montgomery Drive Rockville,MD 20852	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Richard Montgomery HIGH SCHOOL 250 Richard Montgomery Dr Rockville,MD 28052	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for book purchase, Finalist	500
Ridgeland High School586 Sunnybrook Road Ridgeland,MS 39157	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Robert Ketter75 Krysher Road Makanda,IL 62958	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Rockville High School70 Loveland Hill Road Vernon,CT 06066	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Roddy Lumsden49 Paynell Court London SE3 9LN UK	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Bess Hokin Prize	1,000
Roosevelt High School540 Eureka Rd Wyandotte,MI 48192	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Rosa Scott School200 Crawford St Madison,MS 39110	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Ruth Haile400 S 4th Ave 111 Sioux Falls,SD 57104	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Ruth Haile400 S 4th Ave 111 Sioux Falls,SD 57104	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	2nd Place National Scholarship Prize	10,000
Sam HamillPO Box 468 Port Townsend,WA 983680468	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Poet in Need Donation	2,500
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Samuelson Law Tech & Public Policy ClinicUC-BERKLY SCHOOL OF LAW585 Simon HallBerkeley,CA 947207200	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	General Support	15,500
Sandra Beasley2115 S Street NW Apt 3AWashington,DC 20008	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Friends of Literature prize	500
Sarah Lindsay1302 Portland StreetGreensboro,NC 27403	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	J Howard & Barbara MJ Wood Prize	5,000
Sarah Welch4811 Samoa PlaceHonolulu,HI 96818	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Savannah Armijo406 E 4th StreetClovis,NM 88101	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Savannah Arts Academy500 Washington AveSavannah,GA 31405	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Segundo Ruiz BeluisPO Box 1317Hormigueros,PR 00660	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Sentinel High School901 South Ave WestMissoula,MT 59801	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Sentinel High School901 South Ave WESTMissoula,MT 59801	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for book purchase, Finalist	500
Shanley High School5600 25th St SFargo,ND 58104	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Shanley High School5600 25th St SFargo,ND 58104	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for book purchase, Finalist	500
Shannon Laribo1354 Pinyon Pine DrLadson,SC 29456	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Shantelle EddyPO Box 307692St Thomas,VI 00803	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Shantelle EddyPO Box 307692St Thomas,VI 00803	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Finalist for National Scholarship Prize - 2009, EMILY DICKSON MUSEUM	1,000
Shawnee Mission North High School7401 Johnson DriveOverland Park,Kansas 66202	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
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Sioux Falls Lincoln High School2900 S Cliff Ave Sioux Falls, SD 57105	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Sioux Falls Lincoln HIGH SCHOOL 2900 S Cliff Ave Sioux Falls, SD 57105	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for book purchase, Finalist	500
Small Press Distribution1341 7th St Berkeley, CA 94710	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Sponsorship for The Bee-In	1,000
Snow City Arts Foundation1653 West Congress Parkway Office Chicago, IL 60612	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	For Fine Poetry Programs	5,000
Southside High School - Ft Smith AR 4100 Gary Fort Smith, AR 72903	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Spring Valley High School1 Timber Wolf Drive Huntington, WV 25704	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
St Croix Central High SchoolRFD 2 Kingshill St Croix, VI 00850	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
St Bernard Prep1600 St Bernard Dr Cullman, AL 35055	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
St Johnsbury Academy1000 Main Street St Johnsbury, VT 05819	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Star Lane Center1400 S Faindale Casper, WY 82601	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Stav Gold161 Juniper Hill Road NE Albuquerque, NM 871221912	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Stephanie Kulla4180 Kings Canyon Rd Carson City, NV 89703	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Stillwater High School1224 North Husband Street Stillwater, OK 74075	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Sugar Salem High School1 Digger Drive Sugar City, ID 83448	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Susanna Nied2904 Spruce St San Diego, CA 92104	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	John Frederick Nims Mem Prize	500
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Sydney Hermanson979 Woonsocket Hill Rd North Smithfield,RI 02896	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Sylvia Zclunek6826 Flagstone Dr Ooltewah,TN 37363	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Tabia Yapp4728 Mormon CirIce Omaha,NE 68152	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Taylor Dickerson29 Buffalo Ave 23 Islip,NY 11751	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
The Classical Academy975 Stout Road Colorado Springs,CO 80921	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
The Friends of Lorine Niedecker Inc 102 E Milwaukee Ave Fort Atkinson,WI 53538	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	General Support	5,000
The Knox School541 Long Beach Road St James,NY 11780	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
The Little House on the Prairie Foundation1346 Road 14 Sedan,KS 67361	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Memorial Gift in honor of Scott Kurtis	100
The Lyceum2062 Murray Hill Rd Cleveland,OH 44106	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
The Poetry Center of Chicago37 South Wabash Avenue Chicago,IL 606036110	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	To support the Hands on Stanzas program	2,500
The Sharon Academy79 Vermont Route 132 Sharon,VT 05065	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Thea Melvina KnightAureo Diaz Heights Bldg 7 Apt 33 Kingshill,VI 00850	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Tia RobinsonPO Box 862 Warsaw,VA 22572	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Tia RobinsonPO Box 862 Warsaw,VA 22572	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Finalist for National Scholarship Prize	1,000
Tino Monroe4019 Ely Pl SE Washington,DC 20019	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
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University High School of Indiana 2825 West 116th Street Carmel,IN 46032	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Victoria M DiMartile12 Princeton Ave Ft Mitchell,KY 41017	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Villa Victoria Academy376 W Upper Ferry Rd Ewing,NJ 08628	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
West Mecklenbury High School7400 Tuckaseegee Rd Charlotte,NC 28214	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Western Hills High School100 Doctors Drive Frankfort,KY 40601	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Western Hills HIGH SCHOOL100 Doctors Dr Frankfort,KY 40601	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for book purchase, Finalist	500
WETA 2775 S Quincy St Arlington,VA 222062269	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Sponsorship/News Hour with J Lehrer	200,197
William Whitham1320 Kenduskeag Ave Bangor,ME 04401	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Wilmene S Hercule40 Stacy St Randolph,MA 02368	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Wilton High School395 Danbury Rd Wilton,CT 06897	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	500
Windham High School64 London Bridge Rd Windham,NH 03087	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Grant for Book Purchase	200
Wiyaka His Horse is ThunderBox 327 Manderson,SD 57756	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	Recitation Prize	100
Woodland Pattern Inc720 E Locust St Milwaukee,WI 53212	NONE	PUBLIC CHARITY	General Support	5,000
Youssef Biaz2360 Springwood Drive Auburn,AL 36830	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Youssef Biaz2360 Springwood Dr Auburn,AL 36830	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Finalist for National Scholarship Prize	1,000
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Zachary Clemmons3935 Zurich Drive Colorado Springs, CO 80920	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	100
Zamyia Felton1316 Winding Branch Court Charlotte, NC 28216	NONE	INDIVIDUAL	Recitation Prize	200
Total  3a				714,198

Form 990PF Part XVI-A Line 11 - Other revenue:

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated	Unrelated business income		Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514		(e) Related or exempt function income (See the instructions)
11 Other revenue	(a) Business code	(b) Amount	(c) Exclusion code	(d) Amount	
a MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE			01	1,535	
b ROYALTY REVENUE			15	4,026	
c WEB REFERRALS			01	201	
d SINGLE COPY SALE INCOME			01	4,473	
e DISTRIBUTOR GROSS SALE INCOME			01	51,305	
f UNREALIZED BUSINESS LOSS FROM K-1S	525990	-14,906			

TY 2009 Accounting Fees Schedule

Name: The Poetry Foundation

EIN: 36-2490808

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
ACCOUNTING FEES	58,380	0	0	66,255

**TY 2009 All Other Program
Related Investments Schedule**

Name: The Poetry Foundation

EIN: 36-2490808

Category	Amount
NONE	0

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TY 2009 Depreciation Schedule

Name: The Poetry Foundation

EIN: 36-2490808

Description of Property	Date Acquired	Cost or Other Basis	Prior Years' Depreciation	Computation Method	Rate / Life (# of years)	Current Year's Depreciation Expense	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Cost of Goods Sold Not Included
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TY 2009 General Explanation Attachment

Name: The Poetry Foundation
EIN: 36-2490808

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Poetry Magazine	Part IX-A	"POETRY MAGAZINE" - \$ 1,540,555 Established in 1912, POETRY magazine continues to present not only the best new poetry w ritten by distinguished American poets, but actively seeks out exciting work by emerging new or undiscovered w rters The magazine also focuses on current issues relating to poetry in the culture, as well as presenting critical exchanges, debates, review s, and special features The magazine receives and reads over 90,000 submssions of poetry a year and publishes 11 issues a year Circulation was over 25,000 in December 2009 In addition to the print edition, the magazine is now available online and its editors offer frequent podcasts in conjunction with each new issue
Poetryfoundation.org	Part IX-A	"POETRY FOUNDATION ORG" - \$1,338,138 The Foundation has extended its distribution activities from the printed to the electronic word, creating a major Website for poetry The Website is a source for new s, reading lists, archives of selected works of poetry, study aids, and other resources In 2009, the Foundation's Poetry Tool provided public access to over 9,000 poems, up from 6,000 poems in the archive in 2007 The Website also supports POETRY magazine and other Foundation programs The Foundation utilizes the web site to develop new audiences for poetry through quality content and innovative programming that reaches out to users from children to seniors, casual readers to serious students of poetry In 2009, the web site had 3.5 million unique visitors and 1.5 million podcast dow nloads Additionally, free poetry videos are offered for both adult and childrens' poetry users
Educational and Public Programs	Part IX-A	"EDUCATIONAL AND PUBLIC PROGRAMS" - \$1,835,202 The Foundation offers many types of programs to the public to expand the audience for poetry In partnership with the National Endow ment for the Arts, the Foundation launched a national program of poetry recitation in high schools By encouraging high school students to memorize and perform great poems, Poetry Out Loud invites the dynamic aspects of slam poetry, spoken word, and theater into the English class This exciting new program, which began in 2005, helps students master public speaking skills, build self-confidence, and learn about their literary heritage The 2008/2009 program included nearly 300,000 students from across the country, up from about 250,000 over the prior year The Foundation also offers programs through the media that reached a total audience of over 16 million in 2009 These programs include television, radio and newspaper In addition, the Foundation presents staged readings, lectures and performances of poetry with audience attendance increasing 8% over the prior year to over nearly 5,000 The Foundation also fully implemented its poetry institute program in 2009 which studied the impact of new media on poetry and prepared a report which included best practices and guides for poets dealing with intellectual property issues
Lilly Awards and Other Prizes	Part IX-A	"LILLY AWARDS AND OTHER PRIZES" - \$46,964 The Foundation awards prizes annually with an emphasis on under-recognized poets and types of poets Taken as a whole, the Foundation's awards program serves its mission to discover and celebrate what is best in poetry and to promote it before the largest possible audience The awards also directly support and encourage poets
Building, Land, and Equipment Schedule-Noninvestment	PART II, LINE 14	Cost Accumulated Net Book Depreciation Value Land \$ 7,263,478 NONE \$ 7,263,478 Leasehold Improvements \$ 542,815 \$ 439,208 \$ 103,607 Office and Computer Equipment \$ 310,652 \$ 293,175 \$ 17,477 WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT \$ 600,574 \$ 377,292 \$ 223,281 Books \$ 26,150 \$ 7,845 \$ 18,305 Construction in Progress \$ 1,487,230 NONE \$ 1,487,230 Total \$10,230,899 \$1,117,520 \$ 9,113,379
Building, Land, and Equipment Schedule-Noninvestment	Part I, Line 19	Description Date Cost Accum Method Life Total of Property Acquired Basis Depr Depr Land Various \$7,263,478 NONE NONE NONE NONE Leaseholds Various \$ 542,815 \$439,208 S-L 10 \$ 14,013 Equipment Various \$ 310,652 \$293,175 S-L VAR \$ 25,263 Website Various \$ 600,574 \$377,292 S-L 3 \$ 108,407 Books Various \$ 26,150 \$ 7,845 S-L 3 \$ 2,615 CIP Various \$1,487,230 NONE NONE NONE NONE Total \$10,230,899 \$1,117,520 \$ 150,297

**TY 2009 Investments Corporate
Bonds Schedule**

Name: The Poetry Foundation
EIN: 36-2490808

Name of Bond	End of Year Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
MUTUAL FUND BONDS	16,816,025	16,816,025

**TY 2009 Investments Corporate
Stock Schedule****Name:** The Poetry Foundation**EIN:** 36-2490808

Name of Stock	End of Year Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
DOMESTIC EQUITIES	42,554,434	42,554,434
INTERNATIONAL EQUITIES	12,058,829	12,058,829

TY 2009 Investments - Land Schedule

Name: The Poetry Foundation

EIN: 36-2490808

Category/ Item	Cost/Other Basis	Accumulated Depreciation	Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
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TY 2009 Investments - Other Schedule**Name:** The Poetry Foundation**EIN:** 36-2490808

Category/ Item	Listed at Cost or FMV	Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
PRIVATE EQUITY	FMV	2,249,039	2,249,039
REAL ESTATE	FMV	463,895	463,895
NATURAL RESOURCES	FMV	559,671	559,671

TY 2009 Land, Etc. Schedule

Name: The Poetry Foundation

EIN: 36-2490808

Category / Item	Cost / Other Basis	Accumulated Depreciation	Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
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TY 2009 Legal Fees Schedule

Name: The Poetry Foundation

EIN: 36-2490808

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
LEGAL FEES	130,482	11,903	11,903	115,814

TY 2009 Other Assets Schedule

Name: The Poetry Foundation

EIN: 36-2490808

Description	Beginning of Year - Book Value	End of Year - Book Value	End of Year - Fair Market Value
LILLY TRUSTS-BENEFICIAL INT	76,947,865	37,239,000	37,239,000

TY 2009 Other Decreases Schedule

Name: The Poetry Foundation

EIN: 36-2490808

Description	Amount
K-1S INCOME/LOSS TIMING ADJUSTMENTS	291,939

TY 2009 Other Expenses Schedule

Name: The Poetry Foundation

EIN: 36-2490808

Description	Revenue and Expenses per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
ADVERTISING	339,441	0	164,165	156,289
OFFICE SUPPLIES	17,549	340	340	17,619
TELEPHONE	20,982	595	595	18,408
POSTAGE & MESSENGER	18,115	869	869	19,277
BOOKS/CD'S	11,140	0	0	8,257
COMPUTER, WEBSITE & INTERNET	204,274	2,020	2,020	188,407
OFFICE INSURANCE	40,228	0	0	40,228
EQUIPMENT RENTAL & MAINTENANCE	5,937	69	69	4,898
AUDIO & VIDEO RECORDING	11,383	0	0	10,383
BAD DEBTS	11,192	0	0	11,196
BANK AND INVESTMENT FEES	291,343	284,538	284,538	6,755
DUES/MEMBERSHIP	9,187	0	0	8,977
RECRUITMENT	17,294	0	0	17,294
GENERAL & ADMINISTRATIVE	19,222	0	0	8,123

TY 2009 Other Income Schedule**Name:** The Poetry Foundation**EIN:** 36-2490808

Description	Revenue And Expenses Per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income
ROYALTY REVENUE	4,026	4,026	4,026
WEB REFERRALS	201	0	201
MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS	525,172	0	525,172
ADVERTISING INCOME	38,872	0	38,872
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	1,535	0	1,535
SINGLE COPY SALE INCOME	4,473	0	4,473
DISTRIBUTOR GROSS SALE INCOME	51,305	0	51,305
UNREALIZED BUSINESS LOSS FROM K-1S	-14,906	0	0

TY 2009 Other Increases Schedule

Name: The Poetry Foundation

EIN: 36-2490808

Description	Amount
UNREALIZED GAIN ON INVESTMENTS	12,784,733
CHANGE IN BENEFICIAL INTEREST IN LILLY	22,532,050
TRUST	0

TY 2009 Other Liabilities Schedule**Name:** The Poetry Foundation**EIN:** 36-2490808

Description	Beginning of Year - Book Value	End of Year - Book Value
UNCLAIMED PROPERTY	7,214	7,135
NEW BLDG ENVIRONMENTAL LIABILI	200,000	0

TY 2009 Other Professional Fees Schedule

Name: The Poetry Foundation

EIN: 36-2490808

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
OTHER PROFESSIONAL FEES	896,947	0	0	895,173

TY 2009 Taxes Schedule

Name: The Poetry Foundation

EIN: 36-2490808

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
PAYROLL TAXES	91,263	0	0	91,263
REAL ESTATE TAXES & FILING FEE	123,942	0	0	125,296