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

**2009**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

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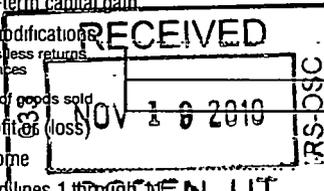
For calendar year 2009, or tax year beginning \_\_\_\_\_, and ending \_\_\_\_\_

G Check all that apply:  Initial return  Initial return of a former public charity  Final return  
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|   |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| Use the IRS label. Otherwise, print or type. See Specific Instructions.   | Name of foundation<br><b>A BETTER PLACE, INC.</b>  | A Employer identification number<br><b>41-1955000</b>  |
|   | Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite<br><b>901 MARQUETTE AVE SOUTH 2815</b>               | B Telephone number<br><b>612-435-7400</b>  |
|   | City or town, state, and ZIP code<br><b>MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402</b>  | C If exemption application is pending, check here <input type="checkbox"/><br>D 1. Foreign organizations, check here <input type="checkbox"/><br>2. Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation <input type="checkbox"/> |
| H Check type of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation<br><input type="checkbox"/> Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust <input type="checkbox"/> Other taxable private foundation | I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col. (c), line 16)<br>\$ <b>13,029,950</b>                                       | E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here <input type="checkbox"/><br>F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here <input type="checkbox"/>                          |
|   | J Accounting method: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Accrual<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____ |  |

|  | (a) Revenue and expenses per books | (b) Net investment income | (c) Adjusted net income | (d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only) |
|--|------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| <b>Part I</b> Analysis of Revenue and Expenses<br><small>(The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a))</small> |                                    |                           |                         |   |
| 1 Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., received   | 140,000.                           |                           |                         |   |
| 2 Check <input type="checkbox"/> if the foundation is not required to attach Sch B   |                                    |                           |                         |   |
| 3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments   |                                    |                           |                         |   |
| 4 Dividends and interest from securities   | 575,865.                           | 575,865.                  |                         | STATEMENT 1   |
| 5a Gross rents   |                                    |                           |                         |   |
| b Net rental income or (loss)  |                                    |                           |                         |   |
| 6a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10   | -222,058.                          |                           |                         |   |
| b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a  | 1,345,112.                         |                           |                         |   |
| 7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)   |                                    | 0.                        |                         |   |
| 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)   |                                    |                           |                         |   |
| 11 Other income  | -27,852.                           | -27,852.                  | 0.                      | STATEMENT 2   |
| 12 Total. Add lines 1 through 11   | 465,955.                           | 548,013.                  | 0.                      |   |
| 13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc  | 0.                                 | 0.                        | 0.                      | 0.  |
| 14 Other employee salaries and wages   |                                    |                           |                         |   |
| 15 Pension plans, employee benefits  |                                    |                           |                         |   |
| 16a Legal fees   |                                    |                           |                         |   |
| b Accounting fees  |                                    |                           |                         |   |
| c Other professional fees  | 6,539.                             | 6,539.                    | 0.                      | 0.  |
| 17 Interest  |                                    |                           |                         |   |
| 18 Taxes   | 32,300.                            | 0.                        | 0.                      | 0.  |
| 19 Depreciation and depletion  |                                    |                           |                         |   |
| 20 Occupancy   |                                    |                           |                         |   |
| 21 Travel, conferences, and meetings   |                                    |                           |                         |   |
| 22 Printing and publications   |                                    |                           |                         |   |
| 23 Other expenses  | 283,432.                           | 283,235.                  | 0.                      | 197.  |
| 24 Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23  | 322,271.                           | 289,774.                  | 0.                      | 197.  |
| 25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid   | 723,334.                           |                           |                         | 723,334.  |
| 26 Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25   | 1,045,605.                         | 289,774.                  | 0.                      | 723,531.  |
| 27 Subtract line 26 from line 12:  |                                    |                           |                         |   |
| a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements  | -579,650.                          |                           |                         |   |
| b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)   |                                    | 258,239.                  |                         |   |
| c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)   |                                    |                           | 0.                      |   |

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| Part II Balance Sheets  |  | Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only |   |             |
|---|--|---|---|-------------|
|   |  | Beginning of year<br>(a) Book Value   | End of year<br>(b) Book Value (c) Fair Market Value |             |
| Assets  | 1 Cash - non-interest-bearing  |   |   |             |
|   | 2 Savings and temporary cash investments   | 828,251.  | 468,265.  | 468,265.    |
|   | 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 |   |   |             |
|   | 7 Other notes and loans receivable   |   |   |             |
|   | Less: allowance for doubtful accounts  |   |   |             |
|   | 8 Inventories for sale or use  |   |   |             |
|   | 9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges  |   |   |             |
|   | 10a Investments - U.S. and state government obligations                              |   |   |             |
|   | b Investments - corporate stock STMT 6   | 6,904,247.  | 7,464,086.  | 5,531,508.  |
|   | c Investments - corporate bonds STMT 7   | 1,139,931.  | 568,118.  | 568,611.    |
| Liabilities   | 11 Investments - land, buildings, and equipment basis                                |   |   |             |
|   | Less accumulated depreciation  |   |   |             |
|   | 12 Investments - mortgage loans  |   |   |             |
|   | 13 Investments - other STMT 8  | 6,166,330.  | 6,274,160.  | 6,461,566.  |
|   | 14 Land, buildings, and equipment basis  |   |   |             |
|   | Less accumulated depreciation  |   |   |             |
|   | 15 Other assets (describe )  |   |   |             |
|   | 16 Total assets (to be completed by all filers)                                      | 15,038,759.   | 14,774,629.   | 13,029,950. |
| Net Assets or Fund Balances   | 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   |   |   |             |
| 22 Other liabilities (describe )  |  |   |   |             |
| 23 Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)  | 0.   | 0.  |   |             |
| Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/>                   |  | 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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |  | and complete lines 27 through 31.   |   |             |
| 27 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds                                     | 0.   | 0.  |   |             |
| 28 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg., and equipment fund                       | 0.   | 0.  |   |             |
| 29 Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds                     | 15,038,759.  | 14,774,629.   |   |             |
| 30 Total net assets or fund balances  | 15,038,759.  | 14,774,629.   |   |             |
| 31 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances                                       | 15,038,759.  | 14,774,629.   |   |             |

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<br>(must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return) | 1 | 15,038,759. |
| 2 Enter amount from Part I, line 27a  | 2 | -579,650.   |
| 3 Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) <b>BOOK TO TAX ADJUSTMENT</b>  | 3 | 315,520.    |
| 4 Add lines 1, 2, and 3   | 4 | 14,774,629. |
| 5 Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize)  | 5 | 0.          |
| 6 Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5) - Part II, column (b), line 30   | 6 | 14,774,629. |

**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<br>P - Purchase<br>D - Donation                                  | (c) Date acquired<br>(mo., day, yr.)         | (d) Date sold<br>(mo., day, yr.)  |
|--|---|---|--|---|
| 1a   |   |   |  |   |
| b  | <b>SEE ATTACHED STATEMENT</b>   |   |  |   |
| c  |   |   |  |   |
| d  |   |   |  |   |
| e  |   |   |  |   |
| (e) Gross sales price  | (f) Depreciation allowed<br>(or allowable)  | (g) Cost or other basis<br>plus expense of sale                                   | (h) Gain or (loss)<br>(e) plus (f) minus (g) |   |
| a  |   |   |  |   |
| b  |   |   |  |   |
| c  |   |   |  |   |
| d  |   |   |  |   |
| e  | 1,345,112.  | 1,567,170.  | -222,058.                                    |   |
| Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69  |   |   |  | (f) 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<br>as of 12/31/69  | (k) Excess of col. (i)<br>over col. (j), if any                                   |  |   |
| a  |   |   |  |   |
| b  |   |   |  |   |
| c  |   |   |  |   |
| d  |   |   |  |   |
| e  |   |   | -222,058.                                    |   |
| 2  | Capital gain net income or (net capital loss)   | { If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7<br>If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7 | 2  | -222,058.   |
| 3  | Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6):<br>If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c).<br>If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8 |   | 3  | N/A   |

**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 instructions before making any entries.

| (a)<br>Base period years<br>Calendar year (or tax year beginning in) | (b)<br>Adjusted qualifying distributions   | (c)<br>Net value of noncharitable-use assets | (d)<br>Distribution ratio<br>(col. (b) divided by col. (c)) |
|--|--|--|---|
| 2008   | 598,253.   | 13,706,001.                                  | .043649   |
| 2007   | 930,133.   | 15,493,242.                                  | .060035   |
| 2006   | 759,957.   | 15,042,965.                                  | .050519   |
| 2005   | 693,344.   | 14,398,507.                                  | .048154   |
| 2004   | 633,396.   | 14,489,337.                                  | .043715   |
| 2  | Total of line 1, column (d)  |  | .246072   |
| 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 |  | .049214   |
| 4  | Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2009 from Part X, line 5   |  | 12,093,669.   |
| 5  | Multiply line 4 by line 3  |  | 595,178.  |
| 6  | Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)   |  | 2,582.  |
| 7  | Add lines 5 and 6  |  | 597,760.  |
| 8  | Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4   |  | 723,531.  |

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.

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

|    |   |    |         |
|----|---|----|---------|
| 1a | Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and enter "N/A" on line 1.<br>Date of ruling or determination letter: _____ (attach copy of letter if necessary-see instructions) |    |         |
| b  | Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b  | 1  | 2,582.  |
| 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  | 0.      |
| 3  | Add lines 1 and 2   | 3  | 2,582.  |
| 4  | Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)   | 4  | 0.      |
| 5  | Tax based on investment income. Subtract line 4 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-   | 5  | 2,582.  |
| 6  | Credits/Payments:   |    |         |
| a  | 2009 estimated tax payments and 2008 overpayment credited to 2009   | 6a | 16,984. |
| 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  | 16,984. |
| 8  | Enter any penalty for underpayment of estimated tax. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> 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 | 14,402. |
| 11 | Enter the amount of line 10 to be: Credited to 2010 estimated tax <input type="checkbox"/> 14,402. Refunded <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>   | 11 | 0.      |

**Part VII A Statements Regarding Activities**

|    | Yes | No |
|----|-----|----|
| 1a |     | X  |
| 1b |     | X  |
| 1c |     | X  |
| 2  |     | X  |
| 3  |     | X  |
| 4a | X   |    |
| 4b | X   |    |
| 5  |     | X  |
| 6  | X   |    |
| 7  | X   |    |
| 8b | X   |    |
| 9  |     | X  |
| 10 |     | X  |

Part VII-A: Statements Regarding Activities (continued)

Table with 3 columns: Question number, Description, and Yes/No column. Rows 11-15 contain questions about controlled entities, insurance contracts, public inspection requirements, books in care, and nonexempt charitable trusts.

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.

Main table with 3 columns: Question number, Description, and Yes/No column. Rows 1a-4b contain detailed questions about disqualified persons, disaster assistance, taxes on undistributed income, and business holdings.

**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)?  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 instructions)?  Yes  No  
 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?  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?  Yes  No  
 If "Yes" to 6b, 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?  Yes  No

**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.

| (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 |
|--|---|---|---|---------------------------------------|
| STEPHEN R. SEFTON<br>901 MARQUETTE AVE SO, STE 2815<br>MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402 | PRESIDENT<br>1.00   | 0.  | 0.  | 0.                                    |
| WILLIAM L. DIETZ<br>901 MARQUETTE AVE SO, STE 2815<br>MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402  | CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER<br>1.00                           | 0.  | 0.  | 0.                                    |
|  |   |   |   |                                       |
|  |   |   |   |                                       |
|  |   |   |   |                                       |

**2** Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1). 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  0



**Part X** Minimum Investment Return (All domestic foundations must complete this part. Foreign foundations, see 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 | 11,245,375. |
| b   | Average of monthly cash balances  | 1b | 1,032,462.  |
| c   | Fair market value of all other assets   | 1c |             |
| d   | Total (add lines 1a, b, and c)  | 1d | 12,277,837. |
| e   | Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation) | 1e | 0.          |
| 2   | Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets  | 2  | 0.          |
| 3   | Subtract line 2 from line 1d  | 3  | 12,277,837. |
| 4   | Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions) | 4  | 184,168.    |
| 5   | Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4      | 5  | 12,093,669. |
| 6   | Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5   | 6  | 604,683.    |

**Part XI** Distributable Amount (see 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  | 604,683. |
| 2a | Tax on investment income for 2009 from Part VI, line 5   | 2a | 2,582.   |
| b  | Income tax for 2009. (This does not include the tax from Part VI.)                                 | 2b |          |
| c  | Add lines 2a and 2b  | 2c | 2,582.   |
| 3  | Distributable amount before adjustments. Subtract line 2c from line 1                              | 3  | 602,101. |
| 4  | Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions  | 4  | 0.       |
| 5  | Add lines 3 and 4  | 5  | 602,101. |
| 6  | Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions)   | 6  | 0.       |
| 7  | Distributable amount as adjusted. Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1 | 7  | 602,101. |

**Part XII** Qualifying Distributions (see 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 | 723,531. |
| 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  |          |
| 3 Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the:                       |   |    |          |
| a  | Suitability test (prior IRS approval required)  | 3a |          |
| b  | Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule)   | 3b |          |
| 4  | Qualifying distributions. Add lines 1a through 3b. Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4                        | 4  | 723,531. |
| 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 | 5  | 2,582.   |
| 6  | Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4  | 6  | 720,949. |

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 instructions)

|  | (a)<br>Corpus | (b)<br>Years prior to 2008 | (c)<br>2008 | (d)<br>2009 |
|--|---------------|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1 Distributable amount for 2009 from Part XI, line 7   |               |                            |             | 602,101.    |
| 2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2009  |               |                            |             |             |
| a Enter amount for 2008 only   |               |                            | 566,021.    |             |
| b Total for prior years:   |               | 0.                         |             |             |
| 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  | 0.            |                            |             |             |
| 4 Qualifying distributions for 2009 from Part XII, line 4: ▶ \$ 723,531.   |               |                            |             |             |
| a Applied to 2008, but not more than line 2a   |               |                            | 566,021.    |             |
| b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required - see instructions)  |               | 0.                         |             |             |
| c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required - see instructions)  | 0.            |                            |             |             |
| d Applied to 2009 distributable amount   |               |                            |             | 157,510.    |
| 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))   | 0.            |                            |             | 0.          |
| 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   |               | 0.                         |             |             |
| 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 |               | 0.                         |             |             |
| d Subtract line 6c from line 6b. Taxable amount - see instructions   |               | 0.                         |             |             |
| e Undistributed income for 2008. Subtract line 4a from line 2a. Taxable amount - see instr.  |               |                            | 0.          |             |
| f Undistributed income for 2009. Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1. This amount must be distributed in 2010  |               |                            |             | 444,591.    |
| 7 Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3)   | 0.            |                            |             |             |
| 8 Excess distributions carryover from 2004 not applied on line 5 or line 7   | 0.            |                            |             |             |
| 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   |               |                            |             |             |

**Part XIV Private Operating Foundations** (see instructions and Part VII-A, question 9)

N/A

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

|   | Tax year |          |          |          | (e) Total |
|---|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|
|   | (a) 2009 | (b) 2008 | (c) 2007 | (d) 2006 |           |
| 2 a Enter the lesser of the adjusted net income from Part I or the minimum investment return from Part X for each year listed                     |          |          |          |          |           |
| b 85% of line 2a  |          |          |          |          |           |
| c Qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 for each year listed   |          |          |          |          |           |
| 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                                   |          |          |          |          |           |
| 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)   |          |          |          |          |           |
| b "Endowment" alternative test - enter 2/3 of minimum investment return shown in Part X, line 6 for each year listed                              |          |          |          |          |           |
| 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) |          |          |          |          |           |
| (2) Support from general public and 5 or more exempt organizations as provided in section 4942(j)(3)(B)(iii)                                      |          |          |          |          |           |
| (3) Largest amount of support from an exempt organization   |          |          |          |          |           |
| (4) Gross investment income   |          |          |          |          |           |

**Part XV Supplementary Information** (Complete this part only if the foundation had \$5,000 or more in assets at any time during the year-see 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).)

**STEPHEN R. SEFTON**  
 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 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:
- b The form in which applications should be submitted and information and materials they should include:
- c Any submission deadlines:
- d Any restrictions or limitations on awards, such as by geographical areas, charitable fields, kinds of institutions, or other factors:

**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)  |   |                                |                                  |                 |
| <i>a Paid during the year</i>  |   |                                |                                  |                 |
| SEE STATEMENT 9  |   |                                |                                  |                 |
| <b>Total</b>   |   |                                | ▶ 3a                             | <b>723,334.</b> |
| <i>b Approved for future payment</i>   |   |                                |                                  |                 |
| NONE   |   |                                |                                  |                 |
| <b>Total</b>   |   |                                | ▶ 3b                             | <b>0.</b>       |





**Schedule B**  
(Form 990, 990-EZ,  
or 990-PF)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Schedule of Contributors**

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

OMB No 1545-0047

**2009**

Name of the organization

A BETTER PLACE, INC.

Employer identification number

41-1955000

Organization type (check one):

Filers of:

Section:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

501(c)( ) (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 an organization 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 990-EZ that met the 33 1/3% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 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 (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.

For a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, aggregate contributions 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 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, 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.** An organization that is not covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules does not file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF), but it **must** answer "No" on Part IV, line 2 of its Form 990, or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ, or on line 2 of its Form 990-PF, to certify that it does not meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

LHA For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF.

Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) (2009)

|   |   |
|---|---|
| Name of organization<br><b>A BETTER PLACE, INC.</b> | Employer identification number<br><b>41-1955000</b> |
|---|---|

**Part I** Contributors (see instructions)

| (a)<br>No. | (b)<br>Name, address, and ZIP + 4   | (c)<br>Aggregate contributions | (d)<br>Type of contribution  |
|------------|---|--------------------------------|--|
| 1          | <b>STEPHEN R. SEFTON</b><br><hr/> <b>901 MARQUETTE AVENUE SOUTH, SUITE 2815</b><br><hr/> <b>MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402</b> | \$ <u>140,000.</u>             | Person <input type="checkbox"/><br>Payroll <input type="checkbox"/><br>Noncash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>(Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.) |
|            | <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>   | \$ _____                       | Person <input type="checkbox"/><br>Payroll <input type="checkbox"/><br>Noncash <input type="checkbox"/><br>(Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)            |
|            | <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>   | \$ _____                       | Person <input type="checkbox"/><br>Payroll <input type="checkbox"/><br>Noncash <input type="checkbox"/><br>(Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)            |
|            | <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>   | \$ _____                       | Person <input type="checkbox"/><br>Payroll <input type="checkbox"/><br>Noncash <input type="checkbox"/><br>(Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)            |
|            | <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>   | \$ _____                       | Person <input type="checkbox"/><br>Payroll <input type="checkbox"/><br>Noncash <input type="checkbox"/><br>(Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)            |
|            | <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>   | \$ _____                       | Person <input type="checkbox"/><br>Payroll <input type="checkbox"/><br>Noncash <input type="checkbox"/><br>(Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)            |

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|---|---|
| Name of organization<br><b>A BETTER PLACE, INC.</b> | Employer identification number<br><b>41-1955000</b> |
|---|---|

**Part II** Noncash Property (see instructions)

| (a)<br>No.<br>from<br>Part I | (b)<br>Description of noncash property given | (c)<br>FMV (or estimate)<br>(see instructions) | (d)<br>Date received |
|------------------------------|--|--|----------------------|
| 1                            | LTM STOCK                                    | \$ 140,000.                                    | 09/30/09             |
|                              |  | \$ _____                                       | _____                |
|                              |  | \$ _____                                       | _____                |
|                              |  | \$ _____                                       | _____                |
|                              |  | \$ _____                                       | _____                |
|                              |  | \$ _____                                       | _____                |
|                              |  | \$ _____                                       | _____                |
|                              |  | \$ _____                                       | _____                |

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|---|---|
| Name of organization<br><b>A BETTER PLACE, INC.</b> | Employer identification number<br><b>41-1955000</b> |
|---|---|

**Part III** Exclusively religious, charitable, etc., individual contributions to section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organizations aggregating more than \$1,000 for the year. Complete columns (a) through (e) and the following line entry. For organizations completing Part III, enter the total of exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$1,000 or less for the year. (Enter this information once. See instructions.) ▶ \$

| (a) No. from Part I                     | (b) Purpose of gift | (c) Use of gift                          | (d) Description of how gift is held |
|---|---------------------|--|-------------------------------------|
|   |                     |  |                                     |
| <b>(e) Transfer of gift</b>             |                     |  |                                     |
| Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4 |                     | Relationship of transferor to transferee |                                     |
|   |                     |  |                                     |
| (a) No. from Part I                     | (b) Purpose of gift | (c) Use of gift                          | (d) Description of how gift is held |
|   |                     |  |                                     |
| <b>(e) Transfer of gift</b>             |                     |  |                                     |
| Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4 |                     | Relationship of transferor to transferee |                                     |
|   |                     |  |                                     |
| (a) No. from Part I                     | (b) Purpose of gift | (c) Use of gift                          | (d) Description of how gift is held |
|   |                     |  |                                     |
| <b>(e) Transfer of gift</b>             |                     |  |                                     |
| Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4 |                     | Relationship of transferor to transferee |                                     |
|   |                     |  |                                     |
| (a) No. from Part I                     | (b) Purpose of gift | (c) Use of gift                          | (d) Description of how gift is held |
|   |                     |  |                                     |
| <b>(e) Transfer of gift</b>             |                     |  |                                     |
| Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4 |                     | Relationship of transferor to transferee |                                     |
|   |                     |  |                                     |

A BETTER PLACE, INC.

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,<br>2-story brick warehouse; or common stock, 200 shs. MLC Co. | (b) How acquired<br>P - Purchase<br>D - Donation | (c) Date acquired<br>(mo., day, yr.) | (d) Date sold<br>(mo., day, yr.) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1a PUBLICLY TRADED SECURITIES  |  |                                      |                                  |
| b PUBLICLY TRADED SECURITIES   |  |                                      |                                  |
| c CALTIUS MEZZANINE PARTNERS II-A  | P  | VARIOUS                              | VARIOUS                          |
| d CALTIUS MEZZANINE PARTNERS II-A  | P  | VARIOUS                              | VARIOUS                          |
| e VARDE FUND VI  | P  | VARIOUS                              | VARIOUS                          |
| f VARDE FUND VI  | P  | VARIOUS                              | VARIOUS                          |
| g SHERPA TREK I  | P  | VARIOUS                              | VARIOUS                          |
| h VARDE FUND VIII  | P  | VARIOUS                              | VARIOUS                          |
| i VARDE FUND VIII  | P  | VARIOUS                              | VARIOUS                          |
| j VARDE FUND IX  | P  | VARIOUS                              | VARIOUS                          |
| k VARDE FUND IX  | P  | VARIOUS                              | VARIOUS                          |
| l NOVA CDO HITS  | P  | VARIOUS                              | VARIOUS                          |
| m  |  |                                      |                                  |
| n  |  |                                      |                                  |
| o  |  |                                      |                                  |

| (e) Gross sales price | (f) Depreciation allowed<br>(or allowable) | (g) Cost or other basis<br>plus expense of sale | (h) Gain or (loss)<br>(e) plus (f) minus (g) |
|-----------------------|--|---|--|
| a 575,565.            |  | 571,813.  | 3,752.                                       |
| b 227,356.            |  | 273,460.  | -46,104.                                     |
| c                     |  | 10.   | -10.   |
| d 837.                |  |   | 837.   |
| e 2,773.              |  |   | 2,773.                                       |
| f                     |  | 78,458.   | -78,458.                                     |
| g                     |  | 39,446.   | -39,446.                                     |
| h                     |  | 17,392.   | -17,392.                                     |
| i                     |  | 86,591.   | -86,591.                                     |
| j 100,984.            |  |   | 100,984.                                     |
| k 12,622.             |  |   | 12,622.                                      |
| l 424,975.            |  | 500,000.  | -75,025.                                     |
| m                     |  |   |  |
| n                     |  |   |  |
| o                     |  |   |  |

| Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69 |                                      |   | (l) Losses (from col. (h))<br>Gains (excess of col. (h) gain over col. (k),<br>but not less than "-0-") |
|---|--------------------------------------|---|---|
| (i) F.M.V. as of 12/31/69   | (j) Adjusted basis<br>as of 12/31/69 | (k) Excess of col. (i)<br>over col. (j), if any |   |
| a   |                                      |   | 3,752.  |
| b   |                                      |   | -46,104.  |
| c   |                                      |   | -10.  |
| d   |                                      |   | 837.  |
| e   |                                      |   | 2,773.  |
| f   |                                      |   | -78,458.  |
| g   |                                      |   | -39,446.  |
| h   |                                      |   | -17,392.  |
| i   |                                      |   | -86,591.  |
| j   |                                      |   | 100,984.  |
| k   |                                      |   | 12,622.   |
| l   |                                      |   | -75,025.  |
| m   |                                      |   |   |
| n   |                                      |   |   |
| o   |                                      |   |   |

|   |   |           |
|---|---|-----------|
| 2 Capital gain net income or (net capital loss) { If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7<br>If (loss), enter "-0-" in Part I, line 7 }   | 2 | -222,058. |
| 3 Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6):<br>If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c).<br>If (loss), enter "-0-" in Part I, line 8 | 3 | N/A       |

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| FORM 990-PF | DIVIDENDS AND INTEREST FROM SECURITIES | STATEMENT | 1 |
|-------------|--|-----------|---|

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| SOURCE                                    | GROSS AMOUNT    | CAPITAL GAINS<br>DIVIDENDS | COLUMN (A)<br>AMOUNT |
|---|-----------------|----------------------------|----------------------|
| BAYVIEW CAPITAL PARTNERS I                | 58,474.         | 0.                         | 58,474.              |
| CALTIUS MEZZANINE PARTNERS II-A           | 5,104.          | 0.                         | 5,104.               |
| CHARLES SCHWAB                            | 158,535.        | 0.                         | 158,535.             |
| GUARDIAN CAPITAL PARTNERS FUND<br>I, L.P. | 1,337.          | 0.                         | 1,337.               |
| OXFORD TRUST                              | 39,986.         | 0.                         | 39,986.              |
| SHERPA TREK 1                             | 3,235.          | 0.                         | 3,235.               |
| THE VARDE FUND IX                         | 89,858.         | 0.                         | 89,858.              |
| THE VARDE FUND VI                         | 29,758.         | 0.                         | 29,758.              |
| THE VARDE FUND VIII                       | 189,578.        | 0.                         | 189,578.             |
| <b>TOTAL TO FM 990-PF, PART I, LN 4</b>   | <b>575,865.</b> | <b>0.</b>                  | <b>575,865.</b>      |

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|-------------|--------------|-----------|---|
| FORM 990-PF | OTHER INCOME | STATEMENT | 2 |
|-------------|--------------|-----------|---|

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| DESCRIPTION                                  | (A)<br>REVENUE<br>PER BOOKS | (B)<br>NET INVEST-<br>MENT INCOME | (C)<br>ADJUSTED<br>NET INCOME |
|--|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| THE VARDE FUND VI                            | -7,494.                     | -7,494.                           | 0.                            |
| THE VARDE FUND VIII                          | 18,576.                     | 18,576.                           | 0.                            |
| CALTIUS MEZZANINE PARTNERS II-A              | 880.                        | 880.                              | 0.                            |
| CALTIUS MEZZANINE PARTNERS II-A              | 554.                        | 554.                              | 0.                            |
| BAYVIEW CAPITAL PARTNERS                     | -46,112.                    | -46,112.                          | 0.                            |
| THE VARDE FUND IX                            | 5,704.                      | 5,704.                            | 0.                            |
| THE VARDE FUND IX                            | 40.                         | 40.                               | 0.                            |
| <b>TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART I, LINE 11</b> | <b>-27,852.</b>             | <b>-27,852.</b>                   | <b>0.</b>                     |

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|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|---|
| FORM 990-PF | OTHER PROFESSIONAL FEES | STATEMENT | 3 |
|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|---|

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| DESCRIPTION                         | (A)<br>EXPENSES<br>PER BOOKS | (B)<br>NET INVEST-<br>MENT INCOME | (C)<br>ADJUSTED<br>NET INCOME | (D)<br>CHARITABLE<br>PURPOSES |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| INVESTMENT MGMT FEES                | 6,539.                       | 6,539.                            | 0.                            | 0.                            |
| <b>TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 16C</b> | <b>6,539.</b>                | <b>6,539.</b>                     | <b>0.</b>                     | <b>0.</b>                     |

| FORM 990-PF                 | TAXES                        |                                   |                               | STATEMENT                     | 4 |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| DESCRIPTION                 | (A)<br>EXPENSES<br>PER BOOKS | (B)<br>NET INVEST-<br>MENT INCOME | (C)<br>ADJUSTED<br>NET INCOME | (D)<br>CHARITABLE<br>PURPOSES |   |
| FEDERAL EXCISE TAX          | 32,300.                      | 0.                                | 0.                            | 0.                            |   |
| TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 18 | 32,300.                      | 0.                                | 0.                            | 0.                            |   |

| FORM 990-PF  | OTHER EXPENSES               |                                   |                               | STATEMENT                     | 5 |
|--|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| DESCRIPTION  | (A)<br>EXPENSES<br>PER BOOKS | (B)<br>NET INVEST-<br>MENT INCOME | (C)<br>ADJUSTED<br>NET INCOME | (D)<br>CHARITABLE<br>PURPOSES |   |
| CALTIUS MEZZANINE PARTNERS II-A                                    | 648.                         | 648.                              | 0.                            | 0.                            |   |
| THE VARDE FUND VI  | 6,345.                       | 6,345.                            | 0.                            | 0.                            |   |
| THE VARDE FUND VIII  | 123,752.                     | 123,752.                          | 0.                            | 0.                            |   |
| BAYVIEW CAPITAL PARTNERS II GAURDIAN CAPITAL PARTNERS FUND I, L.P. | 60,469.                      | 60,272.                           | 0.                            | 197.                          |   |
| THE VARDE FUND IX  | 27,802.                      | 27,802.                           | 0.                            | 0.                            |   |
| SHERPA TREK  | 63,342.                      | 63,342.                           | 0.                            | 0.                            |   |
|  | 1,074.                       | 1,074.                            | 0.                            | 0.                            |   |
| TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 23  | 283,432.                     | 283,235.                          | 0.                            | 197.                          |   |

| FORM 990-PF                             | CORPORATE STOCK |                   | STATEMENT | 6 |
|---|-----------------|-------------------|-----------|---|
| DESCRIPTION                             | BOOK VALUE      | FAIR MARKET VALUE |           |   |
| STOCKS - SEE ATTACHED                   | 5,425,336.      | 3,642,208.        |           |   |
| WELLS FARGO & CO NEW - SEE ATTACHED     | 2,038,750.      | 1,889,300.        |           |   |
| TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART II, LINE 10B | 7,464,086.      | 5,531,508.        |           |   |

| FORM 990-PF                             | CORPORATE BONDS | STATEMENT         | 7                        |
|---|-----------------|-------------------|--------------------------|
| <u>DESCRIPTION</u>                      |                 | <u>BOOK VALUE</u> | <u>FAIR MARKET VALUE</u> |
| BONDS - SEE ATTACHED                    |                 | 568,118.          | 568,611.                 |
| TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART II, LINE 10C |                 | 568,118.          | 568,611.                 |

| FORM 990-PF                            | OTHER INVESTMENTS       | STATEMENT         | 8                        |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|
| <u>DESCRIPTION</u>                     | <u>VALUATION METHOD</u> | <u>BOOK VALUE</u> | <u>FAIR MARKET VALUE</u> |
| DIRECT PRIVATE EQUITY - SEE ATTACHED   | FMV                     | 6,274,160.        | 6,461,566.               |
| TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART II, LINE 13 |                         | 6,274,160.        | 6,461,566.               |

FORM 990-PF

GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS  
PAID DURING THE YEAR

STATEMENT 9

| RECIPIENT NAME AND ADDRESS   | RECIPIENT RELATIONSHIP<br>AND PURPOSE OF GRANT | RECIPIENT<br>STATUS | AMOUNT   |
|--|--|---------------------|----------|
| ALLIANCE FOR LUPUS RESEARCH<br>28 WEST 44TH STREET, SUITE 501<br>NEW YORK, NY 10036          | NONE<br>RESEARCH                               | PUBLIC<br>CHARITY   | 50,000.  |
| BENILDE - ST. MARGARET'S<br>2501 HIGHWAY 100 SOUTH ST LOUIS<br>PARK, MN 55416                | NONE<br>EDUCATION                              | PUBLIC<br>CHARITY   | 200,000. |
| CAMP ODAYIN<br>333 NORTH MAIN STREET, SUITE 110<br>STILLWATER, MN 55082                      | NONE<br>RELIGIOUS                              | PUBLIC<br>CHARITY   | 2,000.   |
| CARDINAL MOONEY HIGH SCHOOL<br>4171 FRUITVILLE ROAD SARASOTA,<br>FL 34232                    | NONE<br>EDUCATION                              | PUBLIC<br>CHARITY   | 4,000.   |
| CATHOLIC CHARITIES<br>PO BOX 1414-04 MINNEAPOLIS, MN<br>55480-1414                           | NONE<br>RELIGIOUS                              | PUBLIC<br>CHARITY   | 100,000. |
| COMMONBOND COMMUNITIES<br>328 WEST KELLOGG BOULEVARD ST<br>PAUL, MN 55102                    | NONE<br>COMMUNITY                              | PUBLIC<br>CHARITY   | 25,000.  |
| COMPASSION INTERNATIONAL<br>COMPASSION INTERNATIONAL<br>COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80997           | NONE<br>COMMUNITY                              | PUBLIC<br>CHARITY   | 2,000.   |
| GREATER MINNEAPOLIS COUNCIL OF<br>CHURCHES<br>1001 EAST LAKE STREET<br>MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55407 | NONE<br>RELIGIOUS                              | PUBLIC<br>CHARITY   | 2,000.   |

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| HOPE ACADEMY<br>706 2ND AVENUE SOUTH, SUITE 850<br>MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402           | NONE<br>EDUCATION | PUBLIC<br>CHARITY | 30,000. |
| IHM--SISTERS OF MICHIGAN<br>610 WEST ELM AVENUE MONROE, MI<br>48162-2800           | NONE<br>RELIGIOUS | PUBLIC<br>CHARITY | 500.    |
| LOYOLA ACADEMY   | NONE<br>EDUCATION | PUBLIC<br>CHARITY | 5,000.  |
| MINNESOTA TEEN CHALLENGE<br>1619 PORTLAND AVENUE SOUTH<br>MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55404    | NONE<br>COMMUNITY | PUBLIC<br>CHARITY | 10,000. |
| OPERATION HOMELAND<br>444 CEDAR STREET, SUITE 223 ST<br>PAUL, MN 55101-6223        | NONE<br>COMMUNITY | PUBLIC<br>CHARITY | 1,000.  |
| OUR SAVIOR'S HOUSING<br>2219 CHICAGO AVENUE SOUTH<br>MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55404         | NONE<br>RELIGIOUS | PUBLIC<br>CHARITY | 500.    |
| PAGE EDUCATION FOUNDATION<br>PO BOX 581254 MINNEAPOLIS, MN<br>55458-1254           | NONE<br>EDUCATION | PUBLIC<br>CHARITY | 75,000. |
| ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH<br>13900 BISCAYNE ROSEMOUNT, MN<br>55068                       | NONE<br>RELIGIOUS | PUBLIC<br>CHARITY | 10,000. |
| ST. STEPHEN'S HUMAN SERVICES<br>2211 SOUTH CLINTON AVENUE<br>MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55404 | NONE<br>RELIGIOUS | PUBLIC<br>CHARITY | 1,000.  |
| ST. THOMAS CHURCH<br>2119 STILLWATER AVENUE ST PAUL,<br>MN 55119                   | NONE<br>RELIGIOUS | PUBLIC<br>CHARITY | 1,000.  |

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| UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME<br>BOX 519, UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE<br>DAME NOTRE DAME, IN 46556-0519 | NONE<br>EDUCATION | PUBLIC<br>CHARITY | 134,334. |
| WALLIN EDUCATION PARTNERS<br>3033 EXCELSIOR BOULEVARD, SUITE<br>420 MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55416  | NONE<br>COMMUNITY | PUBLIC<br>CHARITY | 20,000.  |
| LUPUS RESEARCH INSTITUTE<br>1830 EAST MONUMENT STREET, SUITE<br>7500 BALTIMORE, MD 21205   | NONE<br>RESEARCH  | PUBLIC<br>CHARITY | 50,000.  |

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|                                       | <u>Shares</u> | <u>Basis</u>     | <u>Current<br/>Valuation</u> |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|------------------|------------------------------|
| Wells Fargo & Co.                     | 70,000.0      | 2,038,750        | 1,889,300                    |
| MDC Holdings                          | 30,000.0      | 1,374,568        | 931,200                      |
| Masco Corp.                           | 15,000.0      | 427,102          | 207,150                      |
| Home Depot, Inc.                      | 10,000.00     | 342,230          | 289,300                      |
| Select Comfort Corp.                  | 30,000.00     | 395,100          | 195,600                      |
| Nuveen Floating Rate Opportunity Fund | 55,569.20     | 481,557          | 597,925                      |
| Bank of America                       | 6,377.0       | 641,151          | 96,038                       |
| General Electric                      | 38,000.0      | 842,821          | 574,940                      |
| SPDR Financial Select                 | 20,000.0      | 571,210          | 288,000                      |
| Nuveen Floating Rate Income Fund      | 44,643.0      | 349,597          | 462,055                      |
|                                       |               | <u>7,464,086</u> | <u>5,531,508</u>             |
| Wells Fargo & Co.                     |               | 2,038,750        | 1,889,300                    |
| Stocks                                |               | 5,425,336        | 3,642,208                    |

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| <u>Security</u>                       | <u>Units</u> | <u>Cost<br/>Basis</u> | <u>12/31/2009<br/>Current<br/>Market Value</u> |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|--|
| Fidelity Institutional Money Market   |              | 1,723,661             | 181,837  |
| California 3.39%—4/1/2011             | 50,000.0     | 50,000                | 49,837   |
| Commonwealth Fing—6/1/2014            | 100,000.0    | 104,442               | 103,508  |
| Federal Farm Credit—2/18/2011         | 100,000.0    | 106,400               | 104,656  |
| Michigan State RFDG—5/1/2014          | 100,000.0    | 100,892               | 104,759  |
| University of Charlotte—4/1/2017      | 100,000.0    | 102,975               | 101,656  |
| Wisconsin State General Fund—5/1/2013 | 100,000.0    | 103,409               | 104,195  |
|                                       |              | <u>568,118</u>        | <u>568,611</u>                                 |

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| <u>Investment</u>                    | <u>Cost<br/>Basis</u> | <u>12/31/2009<br/>Market Value</u> |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|
| Bayview Capital Partners II, LP      | 214,194               | 214,194                            |
| Guardian Capital Partners Fund I, LP | 234,560               | 239,860                            |
| Sherpa Trek I, LP                    | 67,995                | 114,380                            |
| Varde Fund VI, LP                    | 439,498               | 403,521                            |
| Varde Fund VIII, LP                  | 3,411,660             | 3,536,625                          |
| Varde Fund IX, LP                    | 1,838,809             | 1,885,542                          |
| Caltius Mezzanine Partner II-A, LP   | 67,444                | 67,444                             |
|                                      | <u>6,274,160</u>      | <u>6,461,566</u>                   |