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Form 990-PF Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service	Return of Private Foundation or Section 4947(a)(1) Nonexempt Charitable Trust Treated as a Private Foundation	OMB No 1545-0052 <div style="font-size: 24pt; font-weight: bold;">2009</div>
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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 , and ending

G 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 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">THE CHESTER FOUNDATION</div> Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">P O BOX 832</div> City or town, state, and ZIP code <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">CHESTER SC 29706-0832</div>	A Employer identification number <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">57-6056810</div> B Telephone number (see page 10 of the instructions) <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">803-581-9198</div> C If exemption application is pending, check here <input type="checkbox"/> D 1. Foreign organizations, check here <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation <input type="checkbox"/> E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here <input type="checkbox"/> F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here <input type="checkbox"/>
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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) **\$ 13,806,240** J Accounting method ☒ Cash ☐ Accrual
☐ Other (specify)

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)				
	2 Check <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if the foundation is not required to attach Sch B				
	3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	18,777	18,777	18,777	
	4 Dividends and interest from securities	495,549	495,549	495,549	
	5a Gross rents	3,300		3,300	
	b Net rental income or (loss)	-897			
	6a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10 See Stmt	-32,095			
	b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a 587,147				
	7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)		0		
	8 Net short-term capital gain			0	
	9 Income modifications				
	10a Gross sales less returns & allowances				
b Less Cost of goods sold					
c Gross profit or (loss) (attach schedule)					
11 Other income (attach schedule)					
12 Total. Add lines 1 through 11	485,531	514,326	517,626		
Operating and Administrative Expenses	13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc	18,938			12,635
	14 Other employee salaries and wages				
	15 Pension plans, employee benefits				
	16a Legal fees (attach schedule)				
	b Accounting fees (attach schedule)				
	c Other professional fees (attach schedule)	589			
	17 Interest				
	18 Taxes (attach schedule) (see page 14 of the instructions) See Stmt	632			
	19 Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion See Stmt	2,256		2,256	
	20 Occupancy	4,197		4,197	
	21 Travel, conferences, and meetings				
	22 Printing and publications				
	23 Other expenses (att sch) See Stmt	14,284	14,191		
	24 Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23	40,896	14,191	6,453	12,635
	25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid	120,500			120,500
26 Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25	161,396	14,191	6,453	133,135	
27 Subtract line 26 from line 12					
a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	324,135				
b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)		500,135			
c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)			511,173		

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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				
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments		273,342	256,708	256,708
	3	Accounts receivable ▶				
		Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶				
	4	Pledges receivable ▶				
		Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶				
	5	Grants receivable				
	6	Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons (attach schedule) (see page 16 of the instructions)				
	7	Other notes and loans receivable (att schedule) ▶				
		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 (attach schedule)				
	b	Investments—corporate stock (attach schedule) See Stmt 6		7,812,275	8,155,300	13,483,869
	c	Investments—corporate bonds (attach schedule)				
Liabilities	11	Investments—land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶				
		Less accumulated depreciation (attach sch) ▶				
	12	Investments—mortgage loans				
	13	Investments—other (attach schedule)				
	14	Land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ 65,448				
		Less accumulated depreciation (attach sch) ▶ 38,478		29,226	26,970	65,000
	15	Other assets (describe ▶ See Statement 8)		663	663	663
	16	Total assets (to be completed by all filers—see the instructions Also, see page 1, item I)		8,115,506	8,439,641	13,806,240
	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses				
	18	Grants payable				
Net Assets or Fund Balances	19	Deferred revenue				
	20	Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons				
	21	Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule)				
	22	Other liabilities (describe ▶)				
	23	Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)		0	0	
		Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.				
	24	Unrestricted		8,115,506	8,439,641	
	25	Temporarily restricted				
	26	Permanently restricted				
		Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 31.				
Net Assets or Fund Balances	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)		8,115,506	8,439,641	
	31	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances (see page 17 of the instructions)		8,115,506	8,439,641	

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	8,115,506
2	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	324,135
3	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	3	
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	8,439,641
5	Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	5	
6	Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5)—Part II, column (b), line 30	6	8,439,641

Part IV Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income

(a) List and describe the kind(s) of property sold (e.g., real estate, 2-story brick warehouse, or common stock, 200 shs MLC Co)		(b) How acquired P—Purchase D—Donation	(c) Date acquired (mo, day, yr)	(d) Date sold (mo, day, yr)
1a WACHOVIA BROKERAGE		P		
b				
c				
d				
e				

(e) Gross sales price	(f) Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	(g) Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	(h) Gain or (loss) (e) plus (f) minus (g)
a			
b			
c			
d			
e			

Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69

(i) FMV as of 12/31/69	(j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess of col (i) over col (j), if any	(l) Gains (Col (h) gain minus col (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col (h))
a			
b			
c			
d			
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	
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	

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 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	8	

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 <input type="checkbox"/> and enter "N/A" on line 1 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 type="checkbox"/> and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b	1	10,003
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	10,003
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	10,003
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	
8	Enter any penalty for underpayment of estimated tax. Check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if Form 2220 is attached	8	301
9	Tax due. If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter amount owed	9	10,304
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 <input type="checkbox"/> Refunded <input type="checkbox"/>	11	

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities

	Yes	No
1a During the tax year, did the foundation attempt to influence any national, state, or local legislation or did it participate or intervene in any political campaign?		X
b Did it spend more than \$100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes (see page 19 of the instructions for definition)? If the answer is "Yes" to 1a or 1b, attach a detailed description of the activities and copies of any materials published or distributed by the foundation in connection with the activities		X
c Did the foundation file Form 1120-POL for this year?		
d Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year (1) On the foundation <input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____ (2) On foundation managers <input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____		
e Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers <input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____		
2 Has the foundation engaged in any activities that have not previously been reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of the activities		X
3 Has the foundation made any changes, not previously reported to the IRS, in its governing instrument, articles of incorporation, or bylaws, or other similar instruments? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes		X
4a Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	X	
b If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?	X	
5 Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T		X
6 Are the requirements of section 508(e) (relating to sections 4941 through 4945) satisfied either • By language in the governing instrument, or • By state legislation that effectively amends the governing instrument so that no mandatory directions that conflict with the state law remain in the governing instrument?	X	
7 Did the foundation have at least \$5,000 in assets at any time during the year? If "Yes," complete Part II, col (c), and Part XV	X	
8a Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see page 19 of the instructions) <input type="checkbox"/> SC		
b If the answer is "Yes" to line 7, has the foundation furnished a copy of Form 990-PF to the Attorney General (or designate) of each state as required by General Instruction G? If "No," attach explanation	X	
9 Is the foundation claiming status as a private operating foundation within the meaning of section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5) for calendar year 2009 or the taxable year beginning in 2009 (see instructions for Part XIV on page 27)? If "Yes," complete Part XIV		X
10 Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses		X

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		X
12	Did the foundation acquire a direct or indirect interest in any applicable insurance contract before August 17, 2008?	12		X
13	Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address ► N/A	13	X	
14	The books are in care of ► JOSEPH M MCELWEE, JR P O BOX 832 Located at ► CHESTER, SC	Telephone no ► 803-581-9198 ZIP+4 ► 29706-0832		
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 <input type="checkbox"/>		

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?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
(2)	Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
(3)	Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
(4)	Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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	N/A ► <input type="checkbox"/>	
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?	N/A	
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? If "Yes," list the years ► 20 , 20 , 20 , 20	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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)	N/A	
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?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> 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? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2009)	3b	X
4a	Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?	4a	X
b	Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2009?	4b	X

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))?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			
(2) Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955), or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			
(3) Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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)?		N/A	5b	
Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here		<input type="checkbox"/>		
c If the answer is "Yes" to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant?		N/A		
If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945-5(d)		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
6a Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
b Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?			6b	X
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?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
b If yes, did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction?		N/A	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 Statement 9				

2 Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1—see page 23 of the instructions).

If none, enter "NONE."

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

Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000



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

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

Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services ▶**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 N/A	
2	
3	
4	

Part IX-B Summary of Program-Related Investments (see page 24 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 N/A	
2	
All other program-related investments. See page 24 of the instructions	
3	

Total. Add lines 1 through 3 ▶

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	12,884,968
b	Average of monthly cash balances	1b	265,025
c	Fair market value of all other assets (see page 24 of the instructions)	1c	65,663
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c)	1d	13,215,656
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	13,215,656
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1½ % of line 3 (for greater amount, see page 25 of the instructions)	4	198,235
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	13,017,421
6	Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5	6	650,871

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	650,871
2a	Tax on investment income for 2009 from Part VI, line 5	2a	10,003
b	Income tax for 2009 (This does not include the tax from Part VI)	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b	2c	10,003
3	Distributable amount before adjustments. Subtract line 2c from line 1	3	640,868
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions	4	
5	Add lines 3 and 4	5	640,868
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	640,868

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	133,135
b	Program-related investments—total from Part IX-B	1b	
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	133,135
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	0
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4	6	133,135

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				640,868
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2009				
a Enter amount for 2008 only			492,894	
b Total for prior years 20____, 20____, 20____				
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 ▶ \$ 133,135				
a Applied to 2008, but not more than line 2a			133,135	
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				
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				
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			359,759	
f Undistributed income for 2009 Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1 This amount must be distributed in 2010				640,868
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				
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 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					
b Check box to indicate whether the foundation is a private operating foundation described in section		<input type="checkbox"/> 4942(j)(3) or	<input type="checkbox"/> 4942(j)(5)		
2a Enter the lesser of the adjusted net income from Part I or the minimum investment return from Part X for each year listed	Tax year	Prior 3 years			(e) Total
	(a) 2009	(b) 2008	(c) 2007	(d) 2006	
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 page 28 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))	N/A
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	JOSEPH M MCELWEE
2 Information Regarding Contribution, Grant, Gift, Loan, Scholarship, etc., Programs:	
Check here <input type="checkbox"/> 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	JOSEPH M MCELWEE, JR P O BOX 832 CHESTER SC 29706-0832
b The form in which applications should be submitted and information and materials they should include	See Statement 10
c Any submission deadlines	NONE
d Any restrictions or limitations on awards, such as by geographical areas, charitable fields, kinds of institutions, or other factors	See Statement 11

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

Recipient Name and address (home or business)	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
a Paid during the year See Statement 12				120,500
Total			▶ 3a	120,500
b Approved for future payment N/A				
Total			▶ 3b	

Part XV-A Analysis of Income-Producing Activities

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated		Unrelated business income		Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514		(e) Related or exempt function income (See page 28 of the instructions)
		(a) Business code	(b) Amount	(c) Exclusion code	(d) Amount	
1	Program service revenue					
a						
b						
c						
d						
e						
f						
g	Fees and contracts from government agencies					
2	Membership dues and assessments					
3	Interest on savings and temporary cash investments					18,777
4	Dividends and interest from securities					495,549
5	Net rental income or (loss) from real estate					
a	Debt-financed property					
b	Not debt-financed property	531110	-897			
6	Net rental income or (loss) from personal property					
7	Other investment income					
8	Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory					-32,095
9	Net income or (loss) from special events					
10	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory					
11	Other revenue a					
b						
c						
d						
e						
12	Subtotal. Add columns (b), (d), and (e)		-897		0	482,231
13	Total. Add line 12, columns (b), (d), and (e)					481,334

(See worksheet in line 13 instructions on page 28 to verify calculations)

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

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Statement 1 - Form 990-PF, Part I, Line 6a - Sale of Assets

Whom Sold	Description	Date Acquired	Date Sold	How Received		Cost	Expense	Depreciation	Net Gain / Loss
				Sale Price	Purchase				
	WELLS FARGO BROKERAGE	7/01/08	7/15/09	\$ 575,405	\$ 619,242	\$	\$	\$	-43,837
	WELLS FARGO CG DIVIDENDS	7/01/08	7/15/09	Purchase 11,742					11,742
Total				\$ 587,147	\$ 619,242	\$	0	\$	-32,095

Statement 2 - Form 990-PF, Part I, Line 16c - Other Professional Fees

Description	Total	Net Investment	Adjusted Net	Charitable Purpose
CLERICAL	\$ 589	\$	\$	\$
Total	\$ 589	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

Statement 3 - Form 990-PF, Part I, Line 18 - Taxes

Description	Total	Net Investment	Adjusted Net	Charitable Purpose
FOREIGN INCOME TAX	\$ 632	\$	\$	\$
Total	\$ 632	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

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Statement 4 - Form 990-PF, Part I, Line 19 - Depreciation

Description		Date Acquired	Cost Basis	Prior Year Depreciation	Method	Life	Current Year Depreciation	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income
RESIDENCE		7/01/93	\$ 51,798	\$ 36,223	Straight Line		\$ 2,256	\$	\$ 2,256
Total		\$	\$ 51,798	\$ 36,223			\$ 2,256	\$ 0	\$ 2,256

Statement 5 - Form 990-PF, Part I, Line 23 - Other Expenses

Description	Total	Net Investment	Adjusted Net	Charitable Purpose
Expenses	\$	\$	\$	
BROKERAGE FEES	14,191	14,191		
MISCELLANEOUS	93			
Total	\$ 14,284	\$ 14,191	\$ 0	\$ 0

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<u>Description</u>	<u>Beginning of Year</u>	<u>End of Year</u>	<u>Basis of Valuation</u>	<u>Fair Market Value</u>
CHESTER TELEPHONE COMPANY	\$ 4,999,671	\$ 4,999,671	Cost	\$ 10,564,528
WACHOVIA BROKERAGE ACCOUNT	<u>2,812,604</u>	<u>3,155,629</u>	Cost	<u>2,919,341</u>
Total	<u>\$ 7,812,275</u>	<u>\$ 8,155,300</u>		<u>\$ 13,483,869</u>

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Statement 7 - Form 990-PF, Part II, Line 14 - Land, Building, and Equipment

Description	Beginning Net Book	End Cost / Basis	End Accumulated Depreciation	Net FMV
RESIDENCE	\$ 19,226	\$ 55,448	\$ 38,478	\$ 55,000
RESIDENTIAL LOT	10,000	10,000		10,000
Total	\$ 29,226	\$ 65,448	\$ 38,478	\$ 65,000

Statement 8 - Form 990-PF, Part II, Line 15 - Other Assets

<u>Description</u>	<u>Beginning of Year</u>	<u>End of Year</u>	<u>Fair Market Value</u>
REFUND RECEIVABLE	\$ 663	\$ 663	\$ 663
Total	\$ 663	\$ 663	\$ 663

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Statement 9 - Form 990-PF, Part VIII, Line 1 - List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Etc.

Name and Address	Title	Average Hours	Compensation	Benefits	Expenses
LADSON F STRINGFELLOW 1098 LANCASTER HWY CHESTER SC 29706	TRUSTEE	1.50	3,963	0	0
JOSEPH M MCELWEE 160 WALNUT CHESTER SC 29706	TRUSTEE	1.50	3,963	0	0
D C WYLLIE 882 LANCASTER HWY CHESTER SC 29706	TRUSTEE	1.50	3,962	0	0
ROBERT W MOSER 3 ROUND POND RD GREENVILLE SC 29607	TRUSTEE	1.00	3,525	0	0
DWIGHT W PEARSON P O BOX CHESTER SC 29706	TRUSTEE	1.00	3,525	0	0

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<u>Name of Manager</u>	<u>Amount</u>
JOSEPH M MCELWEE	\$
Total	\$ 0

Statement 10 - Form 990-PF, Part XV, Line 2b - Application Format and Required ContentsDescription

THE ORGANIZATION ACCEPTS REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE FROM 501 (c)3 ORGANIZATIONS, GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS AND CHURCHES LOCATED IN CHESTER COUNTY, SC. THE ORGANIZATION WILL ALSO ACCEPT REQUESTS FROM EDUCATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS QUALIFYING AS 501(c)3 ORGANIZATIONS, PRIMARILY HIGHER EDUCATIONS, WHERE THE ORGANIZATIONS BENEFIT NEEDY INDIVIDUALS RESIDING IN CHESTER COUNTY WITH FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS OF ATTENDING THE ORGANIZATION.NO ASSISTANCE CAN BE PROVIDED, HOWEVER, FOR ANY FAMILY MEMBERS OF ANY OFFICERS OR TRUSTEES OF THE FOUNDATION. THE TRUSTEES REVIEW REQUESTS AND DETERMINE WHICH ORGANIZATIONS WILL BE SUPPORTED AND AT WHAT LEVEL.

Form 990-PF, Part XV, Line 2c - Submission DeadlinesDescription

NONE

Statement 11 - Form 990-PF, Part XV, Line 2d - Award Restrictions or LimitationsDescription

NONE, EXCEPT GEOGRAPHIC PARAMETERS SHOWN IN APPLICATIONS FORMAT.

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Statement 12 - Form 990-PF, Part XV, Line 3a - Grants and Contributions Paid During the
Year

Name	Address	Relationship	Status	Purpose	Amount
YORK CTY TECH COLLEGE FDN					
YORK SC 29745		NONE		PUBLIC EDUCATION	15,000
CHESTER CTY PUB ED FDN					
CHESTER SC 29706		NONE		PUBLIC EDUCATION	45,000
SALAVATION ARMY					
CHESTER SC 29706		NONE		PUBLIC CHARITY	9,000
PALMETTO COUNCIL OF BSA					
CHESTER SC 29706		NONE		PUBLIC CHARITY	4,000
CHESTERCTY YMCA					
CHESTER SC 29706		NONE		PUBLIC CHARITY	2,000
PURITY PRESBYTERIAN					
CHESTER SC 29706		NONE		CHURCH	5,000
CHESTER CTY 4H					
CHESTER SC 29706		NONE		PUBLIC EDUCATION	5,000
CHESTER CTY INDIG MEDI FD					
CHESTER SC 25706		NONE		PUBLIC CHARITY	5,000
GREAT FALLS HMTWN ASSN					
GREAT FALLS SC 29055		NONE		MUNICIPAL ENTITY	2,000
CHESTER CTY RED CROSS					
CHESTER SC 29706		NONE		PUBLIC CHARITY	2,000
CHESTER UNITED WAY					
CHESTER SC 29706		NONE		PUBLIC CHARITY	5,000
GRASP					
CHESTER SC 29706		NONE		PUBLIC CHARITY	2,500
GREAT FALLS RESCUE SQD					
GREAT FALLS SC 29055		NONE		MUNICIPAL ENTITY	1,000
CHESTER RESCUE SQUAD					
CHESTER SC 29706		NONE		MUNICIPAL ENTITY	5,000
CHESTER HOSPICE OF SC					
CHESTER SC 29706		NONE		PUBLIC CHARITY	5,000
CHESTER CTY LIBRARY					
CHESTER SC 29706		NONE		MUNICIPAL ENTITY	5,000
CHESTER CTY DSS					
CHESTER SC 29706		NONE		MUNICIPAL ENTITY	3,000

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Name	Address	Relationship	Status	Purpose	Amount
Total					120,500

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Taxable Interest on Investments

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Unrelated Business Code</u>	<u>Exclusion Code</u>	<u>Postal Code</u>
SPRATT S&L	\$ 7,446			
WACHOVIA BROKERAGE	11,331			
Total	<u>\$ 18,777</u>			

Taxable Dividends from Securities

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Unrelated Business Code</u>	<u>Exclusion Code</u>	<u>Postal Code</u>
CHESTER TELEPHONE	\$ 422,581			
WACHOVIA BROKERAGE	72,968			
Total	<u>\$ 495,549</u>			

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Taxable Interest on Investments

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Unrelated Business Code</u>	<u>Exclusion Code</u>	<u>Postal Code</u>
SPRATT S&L	\$ 947			
WACHOVIA BROKERAGE	2,894			
Total	<u>\$ 3,841</u>			

Taxable Dividends from Securities

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Unrelated Business Code</u>	<u>Exclusion Code</u>	<u>Postal Code</u>
CHESTER TELEPHONE	\$ 422,581			
WACHOVIA BROKERAGE	84,775			
Total	<u>\$ 507,356</u>			