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Form 990

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

2009

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

Open to Public Inspection

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

► The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements

A For the 2009 calendar year, or tax year beginning 07-01-2009 and ending 06-30-2010

B Check if applicable
 Address change
 Name change
 Initial return
 Terminated
 Amended return
 Application pending

Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.

C Name of organization
The Basic Fund

Doing Business As

Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address)
268 Bush Street 2717

Room/suite

City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4
San Francisco, CA 941043503

D Employer identification number

94-3290699

E Telephone number

(415) 986-5650

G Gross receipts \$ 7,353,059

F Name and address of principal officer
James A McCarthy
268 Bush St 2717
San Francisco, CA 94104H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates?
 Yes NoH(b) Are all affiliates included?
 Yes No
If "No," attach a list (see instructions)

H(c) Group exemption number ►

I Tax-exempt status 501(c) (3) ► (insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527

J Website: ► www.basicfund.org

K Form of organization Corporation Trust Association Other ►

L Year of formation 1997

M State of legal domicile CA

Part I Summary

| | | | |
|----|---|----|----|
| 1 | Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities To Broaden the educational opportunities for inner city children by helping low-income families afford tuition at private schools | | |
| 2 | Check this box ► if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets | | |
| 3 | Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a) | 3 | 28 |
| 4 | Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b) | 4 | 28 |
| 5 | Total number of employees (Part V, line 2a) | 5 | 9 |
| 6 | Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary) | 6 | 0 |
| 7a | Total gross unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12 | 7a | 0 |
| b | Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34 | 7b | 0 |

Activities & Governance

Revenue

Expenses

Net Assets or Fund Balances

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge

Sign Here

2011-05-16

Date

Signature of officer

William Morris Treasurer
Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer's Use Only

| | | | |
|---|------|---|--|
| Preparer's signature ► | Date | Check if self-employed ► <input type="checkbox"/> | Preparer's identifying number (see instructions) |
| Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4 KPMG LLP 55 Second Street 1400 San Francisco, CA 94105 | | | EIN ► |
| | | | Phone no ► (415) 963-5100 |

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) Yes No

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission

THE BASIC FUND (BAY AREA SCHOLARSHIPS FOR INNER CITY CHILDREN) IS A PRIVATELY FUNDED PROGRAM WHOSE MISSION IS TO BROADEN THE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR INNER CITY CHILDREN BY HELPING LOW-INCOME FAMILIES AFFORD THE COST OF TUITION AT PRIVATE SCHOOLS IN THE BAY AREA

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? Yes No
If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? Yes No
If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O

4 Describe the exempt purpose achievements for each of the organization's three largest program services by expenses
Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported

WE HAVE OFFERED A NEW PROGRAM EACH YEAR SINCE 1998 WHEN WE OFFERED 354 NEW SCHOLARSHIPS. THE 2010 PROGRAM ADDED 915 NEW STUDENTS FOR THE 2010-2011 SCHOOL YEAR. WE ARE SUPPORTING OVER 4,500 STUDENTS AT 300 DIFFERENT SCHOOLS IN THE BAY AREA. A 2007 STUDY SHOWED THAT OVER 90% OF STUDENTS THAT ENTER HIGH SCHOOL FROM THE BASIC FUND PROGRAM GRADUATE FROM HIGH SCHOOL. THE BASIC FUND'S TOTAL STUDENT POPULATION HAS GROWN FROM 355 IN 1998 TO A HIGH OF 5,095 IN 2008 AND IS NOW AT OVER 4,500. TOTAL ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIPS GIVEN BY THE BASIC FUND HAVE INCREASED FROM \$365,000 IN 1998 TO A HIGH OF \$7,300,000 IN 2008, CURRENTLY AT APPROXIMATELY \$6,000,000. THE NUMBER OF SCHOOLS SUPPORTED IN OUR PROGRAMS HAVE INCREASED FROM 46 IN 1998 TO 300 IN 2008. ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS FROM DONORS TO THE BASIC FUND HAVE GROWN FROM \$476,000 IN 1998 TO A HIGH OF \$8,000,000 IN 2008. THE NUMBER OF NEW SCHOLARSHIPS GIVEN TO STUDENTS EACH YEAR HAS INCREASED FROM 354 IN 1998 TO A HIGH OF 1,719 IN 2008. INCLUDING THE 2010 PROGRAM, OVER \$55,000,000 IN SCHOLARSHIPS HAS BEEN DISTRIBUTED TO THE FAMILIES OF OVER 16,000 CHILDREN BY THE BASIC FUND.

(Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$

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Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)
(Expenses \$ Including grants of \$) (Revenue \$

Total program service expenses **\$ 6,975,861**

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A

2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors?

3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I

4 **Section 501(c)(3) organizations.** Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II

5 **Section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), and 501(c)(6) organizations.** Is the organization subject to the section 6033(e) notice and reporting requirement and proxy tax? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III

6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts where donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I

7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II

8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III

9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X, or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV

10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in term, permanent, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V

11 Is the organization's answer to any of the following questions "Yes"? If so, complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable.

- Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI.
- Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII.
- Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII.
- Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX.
- Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X.
- Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X.

12 Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII

12a Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? Yes No

If "Yes," completing Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII is optional

13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E

14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?

b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, and program service activities outside the United States? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part I

15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or assistance to any organization or entity located outside the U.S.? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part II

16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or assistance to individuals located outside the U.S.? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part III

17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000, of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I

18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II

19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III

20 Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? If "Yes," complete Schedule H

| | Yes | No |
|------------|-----|----|
| 1 | Yes | |
| 2 | Yes | |
| 3 | | No |
| 4 | | No |
| 5 | | |
| 6 | | No |
| 7 | | No |
| 8 | | No |
| 9 | | No |
| 10 | | No |
| 11 | Yes | |
| 12 | Yes | |
| 12a | No | |
| 13 | | No |
| 14a | | No |
| 14b | | No |
| 15 | | No |
| 16 | | No |
| 17 | | No |
| 18 | | No |
| 19 | | No |
| 20 | | No |

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

| | | | | |
|--|---|-----|-----|----|
| 21 | Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II | 21 | | No |
| 22 | Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 2? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III | 22 | Yes | |
| 23 | Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, questions 3, 4, or 5, about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? If "Yes," complete Schedule J | 23 | | No |
| 24a | Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? If "Yes," answer questions 24b-24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25 | 24a | | No |
| b | Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception? | 24b | | |
| c | Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds? | 24c | | |
| d | Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year? | 24d | | |
| 25a | Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I | 25a | | No |
| b | Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I | 25b | | No |
| 26 | Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highly compensated employee, or disqualified person outstanding as of the end of the organization's tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II | 26 | | No |
| 27 | Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor, or a grant selection committee member, or to a person related to such an individual? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III | 27 | | No |
| 28 | Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties? (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions) | 28a | | No |
| a | A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV | 28b | | No |
| b | A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV | 28c | | No |
| c | An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee of the organization (or a family member) was an officer, director, trustee, or owner? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV | 29 | | No |
| 30 | Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M | 30 | | No |
| 31 | Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M | 31 | | No |
| 32 | Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I | 32 | | No |
| 33 | Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II | 33 | | No |
| 34 | Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301 7701-2 and 301 7701-3? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I | 34 | | No |
| 35 | Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1 | 35 | | No |
| 36 | Is any related organization a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2 | 36 | | No |
| 37 | Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2 | 37 | | No |
| 38 | Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI | 38 | Yes | |
| Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O | | | | |

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

| | | Yes | No |
|------------|--|------------|-----|
| 1a | Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096, <i>Annual Summary and Transmittal of U.S. Information Returns</i> . Enter -0- if not applicable | 1a | 2 |
| 1b | Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable | 1b | 0 |
| c | Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners? | 1c | Yes |
| 2a | Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, <i>Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements</i> filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return | 2a | 9 |
| b | If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note: If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file this return (see instructions) | 2b | Yes |
| 3a | Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year covered by this return? | 3a | No |
| b | If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O | 3b | |
| 4a | At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? | 4a | No |
| b | If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country. See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22 1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts | | |
| 5a | Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year? | 5a | No |
| b | Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? | 5b | No |
| c | If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T, Disclosure by Tax-Exempt Entity Regarding Prohibited Tax Shelter Transaction? | 5c | |
| 6a | Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible? | 6a | No |
| b | If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible? | 6b | |
| 7 | Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c). | 7a | No |
| a | Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor? | 7b | |
| b | If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided? | 7c | No |
| c | Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282? | 7d | |
| d | If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year | 7e | No |
| e | Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? | 7f | No |
| f | Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? | 7g | |
| g | For all contributions of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required? | 7h | |
| h | For contributions of cars, boats, airplanes, and other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C as required? | 8 | |
| 8 | Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations. Did the supporting organization, or a donor advised fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year? | 9a | |
| 9 | Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. | 9b | |
| a | Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966? | | |
| b | Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person? | | |
| 10 | Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter | 10a | |
| a | Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12 | 10b | |
| b | Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities | | |
| 11 | Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter | 11a | |
| a | Gross income from members or shareholders | 11b | |
| b | Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them) | | |
| 12a | Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041? | 12a | |
| b | If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year | 12b | |

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to lines 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

Section A. Governing Body and Management

| | | Yes | No |
|--|-----------|-----|----|
| 1a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body . . . | 1a | 28 | |
| b Enter the number of voting members that are independent . . . | 1b | 28 | |
| 2 Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee? | 2 | Yes | |
| 3 Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person? | 3 | | No |
| 4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its organizational documents since the prior Form 990 was filed? | 4 | | No |
| 5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a material diversion of the organization's assets? | 5 | | No |
| 6 Does the organization have members or stockholders? | 6 | | No |
| 7a Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body? | 7a | | No |
| b Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons? | 7b | | No |
| 8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following | | | |
| a The governing body? | 8a | Yes | |
| b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body? | 8b | Yes | |
| 9 Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O | 9 | | No |

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

| | | Yes | No |
|---|------------|-----|----|
| 10a Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates? | 10a | | No |
| b If "Yes," does the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with those of the organization? | 10b | | |
| 11 Has the organization provided a copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form? | 11 | Yes | |
| 11A Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review the Form 990 | | | |
| 12a Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13 | 12a | Yes | |
| b Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts? | 12b | Yes | |
| c Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this is done | 12c | Yes | |
| 13 Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy? | 13 | Yes | |
| 14 Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy? | 14 | Yes | |
| 15 Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision? | | | |
| a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official | 15a | Yes | |
| b Other officers or key employees of the organization | 15b | | No |
| If "Yes" to line a or b, describe the process in Schedule O (See instructions) | | | |
| 16a Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year? | 16a | | No |
| b If "Yes," has the organization adopted a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and taken steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements? | 16b | | |

Section C. Disclosure

17 List the States with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ► CA

18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c) (3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you make these available. Check all that apply
 Own website Another's website Upon request

19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how), the organization makes its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public. See Additional Data Table

20 State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization ►
 RACHEL ELGINSMITH
 268 BUSH STREET 2717
 San Francisco, CA 941043503
 (415) 986-5650

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year. Use Schedule J-2 if additional space is needed.

- tax year. Use Schedule 5-2 if additional space is needed
- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation, and **current** key employees Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees See instructions for definition of "key employee "
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, or highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors, institutional trustees, officers, key employees, highest compensated employees, and former such persons.

Check this box if the organization did not compensate any current or former officer, director, trustee or key employee.

| | | | |
|-----------------|--------|---|-------|
| 1b Total | 92,517 | 0 | 9,557 |
|-----------------|--------|---|-------|

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 in reportable compensation from the organization **0**

| | Yes | No |
|---|------------|-----------|
| 3 Did the organization list any former officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual | 3 | No |
| 4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual | 4 | No |
| 5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization for services rendered to the organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person | 5 | No |

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization

| (A) Name and business address | (B) Description of services | (C) Compensation |
|--|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| NONE | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| 2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 in compensation from the organization 0 | | |

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

| | | (A) Total revenue | (B) Related or exempt function revenue | (C) Unrelated business revenue | (D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512, 513, or 514 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|----------------------|--|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Contributions, gifts, grants and other similar amounts | 1a Federated campaigns | 1a | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | b Membership dues | 1b | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | c Fundraising events | 1c | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | d Related organizations | 1d | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | e Government grants (contributions) | 1e | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above | 1f | 7,227,419 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$ _____ | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | h Total. Add lines 1a-1f | | 7,227,419 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Program Service Revenue | Business Code | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | 2a | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | | | f All other program service revenue | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | g Total. Add lines 2a-2f | | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Other Revenue | <table border="1"> <tr> <td>(I) Real</td> <td>(II) Personal</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </table> | | (I) Real | (II) Personal | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | (I) Real | (II) Personal | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 3 Investment income (including dividends, interest and other similar amounts) | | 125,640 | | 125,640 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds | | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5 Royalties | | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6a Gross Rents | (I) Securities | (II) Other | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| b Less rental expenses | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| c Rental income or (loss) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| d Net rental income or (loss) | | | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| b Less cost or other basis and sales expenses | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| c Gain or (loss) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| d Net gain or (loss) | | | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| b Less direct expenses | b | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events | | | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 9a Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19 | a | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| b Less direct expenses | b | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities | | | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances | a | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| b Less cost of goods sold | b | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory | | | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Miscellaneous Revenue | Business Code | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 11a | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| d All other revenue | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| e Total. Add lines 11a-11d | | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 12 Total revenue. See Instructions | | 7,353,059 | | 0 | 125,640 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses**Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns.****All other organizations must complete column (A) but are not required to complete columns (B), (C), and (D).**

| Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII. | (A) Total expenses | (B) Program service expenses | (C) Management and general expenses | (D) Fundraising expenses |
|--|-----------------------|---------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|
| 1 Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the U S See Part IV, line 21 | 0 | | | |
| 2 Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U S See Part IV, line 22 | 6,975,865 | 6,975,865 | | |
| 3 Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the U S See Part IV, lines 15 and 16 | 0 | | | |
| 4 Benefits paid to or for members | 0 | | | |
| 5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees | 107,500 | | 107,500 | 0 |
| 6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) | 0 | | | |
| 7 Other salaries and wages | 217,152 | | 217,152 | |
| 8 Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions) | 0 | | 0 | |
| 9 Other employee benefits | 43,058 | | 43,058 | |
| 10 Payroll taxes | 26,331 | | 26,331 | |
| 11 Fees for services (non-employees) | | | | |
| a Management | 0 | | | |
| b Legal | 0 | | | |
| c Accounting | 23,178 | | 23,178 | |
| d Lobbying | 0 | | | |
| e Professional fundraising See Part IV, line 17 | 0 | | | |
| f Investment management fees | 0 | | | |
| g Other | 6,611 | | 6,611 | |
| 12 Advertising and promotion | 0 | | | |
| 13 Office expenses | 34,689 | | 34,689 | |
| 14 Information technology | 942 | | 942 | |
| 15 Royalties | 0 | | | |
| 16 Occupancy | 62,042 | | 62,042 | |
| 17 Travel | 1,134 | | 1,134 | |
| 18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials | 0 | | | |
| 19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings | 5,071 | | 5,071 | |
| 20 Interest | 0 | | | |
| 21 Payments to affiliates | 0 | | | |
| 22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization | 5,095 | | 5,095 | |
| 23 Insurance | 7,677 | | 7,677 | |
| 24 Other expenses Itemize expenses not covered above (Expenses grouped together and labeled miscellaneous may not exceed 5% of total expenses shown on line 25 below) | | | | |
| a SUBSCRIPTIONS | 910 | | 910 | |
| b | | | | |
| c | | | | |
| d | | | | |
| e | | | | |
| f All other expenses | | | | |
| 25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f | 7,517,255 | 6,975,865 | 541,390 | 0 |
| 26 Joint costs. Check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation | | | | |

Part X Balance Sheet

| | | (A) Beginning of year | (B) End of year |
|-----------------------------|--|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Assets | 1 Cash—non-interest-bearing | 1,375 | 11,467 |
| | 2 Savings and temporary cash investments | 536,845 | 706,925 |
| | 3 Pledges and grants receivable, net | 2,476,512 | 1,395,495 |
| | 4 Accounts receivable, net | 4 | |
| | 5 Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees Complete Part II of Schedule L | 5 | |
| | 6 Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) Complete Part II of Schedule L | 6 | |
| | 7 Notes and loans receivable, net | 7 | |
| | 8 Inventories for sale or use | 8 | |
| | 9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges | 1,986 | 1,272 |
| | 10a Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D | 10a | 45,139 |
| | b Less accumulated depreciation | 10b | 34,035 |
| | | 16,199 | 10c |
| | | 11,915,443 | 11 |
| | 12 Investments—other securities See Part IV, line 11 | 12 | 12,658,540 |
| | 13 Investments—program-related See Part IV, line 11 | 13 | |
| | 14 Intangible assets | 14 | |
| | 15 Other assets See Part IV, line 11 | 21,621 | 15 |
| | 16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34) | 14,969,981 | 16 |
| | | 14,796,903 | |
| Liabilities | 17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses | 5,312 | 17 |
| | 18 Grants payable | 18 | |
| | 19 Deferred revenue | 19 | |
| | 20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities | 20 | |
| | 21 Escrow or custodial account liability Complete Part IV of Schedule D | 21 | |
| | 22 Payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons Complete Part II of Schedule L | 22 | |
| | 23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties | 23 | |
| | 24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties | 24 | |
| | 25 Other liabilities Complete Part X of Schedule D | 25 | |
| | 26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25 | 5,312 | 26 |
| | | 3,333 | |
| Net Assets or Fund Balances | Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34. | | |
| | 27 Unrestricted net assets | 10,051,594 | 27 |
| | 28 Temporarily restricted net assets | 4,913,075 | 28 |
| | 29 Permanently restricted net assets | 29 | |
| | Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34. | | |
| | 30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds | 30 | |
| | 31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund | 31 | |
| | 32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds | 32 | |
| | 33 Total net assets or fund balances | 14,964,669 | 33 |
| | | 14,793,570 | |
| | 34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances | 14,969,981 | 34 |
| | | 14,796,903 | |

Part XI Financial Statements and Reporting

| | Yes | No |
|---|------------|-----------|
| 1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O | | |
| 2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? | 2a | No |
| b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? | 2b | Yes |
| c If "Yes," to 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O | 2c | Yes |
| d If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were issued on a consolidated basis, separate basis, or both <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separated basis | | |
| 3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133? | 3a | No |
| b If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits | 3b | |

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Inspection**SCHEDULE A**
(Form 990 or 990EZ)**Public Charity Status and Public Support**

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.

► Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ► See separate instructions.

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
The Basic Fund

Employer identification number

94-3290699

Part I Reason for Public Charity Status (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions

The organization is not a private foundation because it is (For lines 1 through 11, check only one box)

1 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.

2 A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)**. (Attach Schedule E)

3 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**.

4 A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. Enter the hospital's name, city, and state

5 An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv)**. (Complete Part II)

6 A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v)**.

7 An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)** (Complete Part II)

8 A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)** (Complete Part II)

9 An organization that normally receives (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2)**. (Complete Part III)

10 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4)**.

11 An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2). See **section 509(a)(3)**. Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h

e By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2)

f If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II or Type III supporting organization, check this box

g Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons?

(i) a person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (ii) and (iii) below, the governing body of the supported organization?

(ii) a family member of a person described in (i) above?

(iii) a 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above?

h Provide the following information about the supported organization(s)

| | Yes | No |
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| 11g(i) | | |
| 11g(ii) | | |
| 11g(iii) | | |

| (i) Name of supported organization | (ii) EIN | (iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1- 9 above or IRC section (see instructions)) | (iv) Is the organization in col (i) listed in your governing document? | | (v) Did you notify the organization in col (i) of your support? | (vi) Is the organization in col (i) organized in the U S ? | (vii) Amount of support? |
|---|-------------|---|---|----|---|--|--------------------------------|
| | | | Yes | No | | | |
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| Total | | | | | | | |

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in IRC 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
 (Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I.)

Section A. Public Support

| Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) | (a) 2005 | (b) 2006 | (c) 2007 | (d) 2008 | (e) 2009 | (f) Total |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| 1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants") | 7,574,729 | 6,653,449 | 6,308,076 | 7,590,564 | 7,227,419 | 35,354,237 |
| 2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf | | | | | | |
| 3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge | | | | | | |
| 4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3 | 7,574,729 | 6,653,449 | 6,308,076 | 7,590,564 | 7,227,419 | 35,354,237 |
| 5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f) | | | | | | 9,848,296 |
| 6 Public Support. Subtract line 5 from line 4 | | | | | | 25,505,941 |

Section B. Total Support

| Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) | (a) 2005 | (b) 2006 | (c) 2007 | (d) 2008 | (e) 2009 | (f) Total |
|--|-----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| 7 Amounts from line 4 | 7,574,729 | 489,664 | 6,308,076 | 7,590,564 | 7,227,419 | 35,354,237 |
| 8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources | 329,846 | 489,664 | 485,777 | 202,633 | 125,640 | 1,633,560 |
| 9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on | | | | | | |
| 10 Other income (Explain in Part IV) Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets | | | | | | |
| 11 Total support (Add lines 7 through 10) | | | | | | 36,987,797 |
| 12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc (See instructions) | | | | | 12 | |

13 **First Five Years** If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and **stop here** 

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

| | | |
|--|----|----------|
| 14 Public Support Percentage for 2009 (line 6 column (f) divided by line 11 column (f)) | 14 | 68 958 % |
| 15 Public Support Percentage for 2008 Schedule A, Part II, line 14 | 15 | 74 036 % |
| 16a 33 1/3% support test—2009. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here . The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization  | | |
| b 33 1/3% support test—2008. If the organization did not check the box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here . The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization  | | |
| 17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2009. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts and circumstances" test, check this box and stop here . Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts and circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization  | | |
| b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2008. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts and circumstances" test, check this box and stop here . Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts and circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization  | | |
| 18 Private Foundation If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a or 17b, check this box and see instructions  | | |

Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in IRC 509(a)(2)
 (Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I.)

Section A. Public Support

| Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) | (a) 2005 | (b) 2006 | (c) 2007 | (d) 2008 | (e) 2009 | (f) Total |
|--|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|
| 1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants") | | | | | | |
| 2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose | | | | | | |
| 3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513 | | | | | | |
| 4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf | | | | | | |
| 5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge | | | | | | |
| 6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5 | | | | | | |
| 7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons | | | | | | |
| b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year | | | | | | |
| c Add lines 7a and 7b | | | | | | |
| 8 Public Support (Subtract line 7c from line 6) | | | | | | |

Section B. Total Support

| Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) | (a) 2005 | (b) 2006 | (c) 2007 | (d) 2008 | (e) 2009 | (f) Total |
|---|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|
| 9 Amounts from line 6 | | | | | | |
| 10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources | | | | | | |
| b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975 | | | | | | |
| c Add lines 10a and 10b | | | | | | |
| 11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on | | | | | | |
| 12 Other income Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV) | | | | | | |
| 13 Total support (Add lines 9, 10c, 11 and 12) | | | | | | |
| 14 First Five Years If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here | | | | | | |

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

| | |
|---|----|
| 15 Public Support Percentage for 2009 (line 8 column (f) divided by line 13 column (f)) | 15 |
| 16 Public support percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part III, line 15 | 16 |

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

| | |
|---|----|
| 17 Investment income percentage for 2009 (line 10c column (f) divided by line 13 column (f)) | 17 |
| 18 Investment income percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part III, line 17 | 18 |
| 19a 33 1/3% support tests—2009. If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3% and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here . The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization | |
| b 33 1/3% support tests—2008. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3% and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here . The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization | |
| 20 Private Foundation If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a or 19b, check this box and see instructions | |

Part IV **Supplemental Information.** Supplemental Information. Complete this part to provide the explanation required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; or Part III, line 12. Provide any other additional information. See instructions

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Inspection**SCHEDULE D**
(Form 990)**Supplemental Financial Statements**

► Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990,
Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12.
► Attach to Form 990. ► See separate instructions.

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Name of the organization**

The Basic Fund

Employer identification number

94-3290699

Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

| | (a) Donor advised funds | (b) Funds and other accounts |
|--|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1 Total number at end of year | | |
| 2 Aggregate contributions to (during year) | | |
| 3 Aggregate grants from (during year) | | |
| 4 Aggregate value at end of year | | |

5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control? Yes No

6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds may be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit? Yes No

Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply)

Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or pleasure) Preservation of an historically importantly land area

Protection of natural habitat Preservation of a certified historic structure

Preservation of open space

2 Complete lines 2a-2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year

| | Held at the End of the Year |
|----|-----------------------------|
| 2a | |
| 2b | |
| 2c | |
| 2d | |

3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the taxable year ► _____

4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ► _____

5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds? Yes No

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting and enforcing conservation easements during the year ► _____

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ► \$ _____

8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? Yes No

9 In Part XIV, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116, not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIV, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items

b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116, to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items

(i) Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ► \$ _____

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X ► \$ _____

2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 relating to these items

a Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ► \$ _____

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X ► \$ _____

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets (continued)

3 Using the organization's accession and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply)

a Public exhibition d Loan or exchange programs
 b Scholarly research e Other
 c Preservation for future generations

4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIV

5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? Yes No

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? Yes No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV and complete the following table

| | Amount |
|----|--------|
| 1c | |
| 1d | |
| 1e | |
| 1f | |

2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21? Yes No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV

Part V Endowment Funds. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

| | (a) Current Year | (b) Prior Year | (c) Two Years Back | (d) Three Years Back | (e) Four Years Back |
|--|------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1a Beginning of year balance | | | | | |
| b Contributions | | | | | |
| c Investment earnings or losses | | | | | |
| d Grants or scholarships | | | | | |
| e Other expenditures for facilities and programs | | | | | |
| f Administrative expenses | | | | | |
| g End of year balance | | | | | |

2 Provide the estimated percentage of the year end balance held as

a Board designated or quasi-endowment ►

b Permanent endowment ►

c Term endowment ►

3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by

(i) unrelated organizations Yes No

(ii) related organizations Yes No

b If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? Yes No

4 Describe in Part XIV the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds

Part VI Investments—Land, Buildings, and Equipment. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

| Description of investment | (a) Cost or other basis (investment) | (b) Cost or other basis (other) | (c) Accumulated depreciation | (d) Book value |
|---|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------|
| 1a Land | | | | |
| b Buildings | | | | |
| c Leasehold improvements | | | | |
| d Equipment | | 45,139 | 34,035 | 11,104 |
| e Other | | | | |
| Total. Add lines 1a-1e (Column (d) should equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).) ► | | | | 11,104 |

Part VII Investments—Other Securities. See Form 990, Part X, line 12

| (a) Description of security or category (including name of security) | (b) Book value | (c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value |
|--|----------------|---|
| Financial derivatives | | |
| Closely-held equity interests | | |
| Other | | |
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| Total. (Column (b) should equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 12) | ► | |

Total. (Column (b) should equal Form 990, Part X, col (B), line 1)

Part VIII Investments—Program Related. See Form 990, Part X, line 13

Total. (Column (b) should equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 13)

Part IX Other Assets. See Form 990, Part X, line 15

Total (Column (b) should equal Form 990, Part X, col (B), line 15)

Part X Other Liabilities See Form 990, Part X, line 25

Total. (Column (b) should equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 25)

2. FIN 48 Footnote In Part XIV, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48

Part XI Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets from Form 990 to Financial Statements

| | | | |
|----|---|----|-----------|
| 1 | Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12) | 1 | 7,353,059 |
| 2 | Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25) | 2 | 7,517,255 |
| 3 | Excess or (deficit) for the year Subtract line 2 from line 1 | 3 | -164,196 |
| 4 | Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments | 4 | -6,903 |
| 5 | Donated services and use of facilities | 5 | 8,500 |
| 6 | Investment expenses | 6 | |
| 7 | Prior period adjustments | 7 | |
| 8 | Other (Describe in Part XIV) | 8 | |
| 9 | Total adjustments (net) Add lines 4 - 8 | 9 | 1,597 |
| 10 | Excess or (deficit) for the year per financial statements Combine lines 3 and 9 | 10 | -162,599 |

Part XII Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return

| | | | |
|---|--|----|-----------|
| 1 | Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements | 1 | 7,354,656 |
| 2 | Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12 | | |
| a | Net unrealized gains on investments | 2a | -6,903 |
| b | Donated services and use of facilities | 2b | 8,500 |
| c | Recoveries of prior year grants | 2c | |
| d | Other (Describe in Part XIV) | 2d | |
| e | Add lines 2a through 2d | 2e | 1,597 |
| 3 | Subtract line 2e from line 1 | 3 | 7,353,059 |
| 4 | Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1 | | |
| a | Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b | 4a | |
| b | Other (Describe in Part XIV) | 4b | |
| c | Add lines 4a and 4b | 4c | |
| 5 | Total Revenue Add lines 3 and 4c. (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 12) | 5 | 7,353,059 |

Part XIII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return

| | | | |
|---|---|----|-----------|
| 1 | Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements | 1 | 7,525,755 |
| 2 | Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25 | | |
| a | Donated services and use of facilities | 2a | 8,500 |
| b | Prior year adjustments | 2b | |
| c | Other losses | 2c | |
| d | Other (Describe in Part XIV) | 2d | |
| e | Add lines 2a through 2d | 2e | 8,500 |
| 3 | Subtract line 2e from line 1 | 3 | 7,517,255 |
| 4 | Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1: | | |
| a | Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b | 4a | |
| b | Other (Describe in Part XIV) | 4b | |
| c | Add lines 4a and 4b | 4c | |
| 5 | Total expenses Add lines 3 and 4c. (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 18) | 5 | 7,517,255 |

Part XIV Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9, Part III, lines 1a and 4, Part IV, lines 1b and 2b, Part V, line 4, Part X, Part XI, line 8, Part XII, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XIII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information

| Identifier | Return Reference | Explanation |
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Schedule I (Form 990)

Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations, Governments and Individuals in the United States

OMB No. 1545-0047

2009

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

The Basic Fund

Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22

► Attach to Form 990

Employer identification number

94-3290699

Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance

1 Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? Yes No

2 Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States

Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Governments and Organizations in the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 21 for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Check this box if no one recipient received more than \$5,000. Use Part IV and Schedule T-1 (Form 990) if additional space is needed.

Part III Grants and Other Assistance to Individuals in the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 22. Use Schedule I-1 (Form 990) if additional space is needed.

Part IV **Supplemental Information.** Complete this part to provide the information required in Part I, line 2, and any other additional information.

| Identifier | Return Reference | Explanation |
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| Schedule I, part I, line 2 | | <p>The Basic fund makes grants for scholarships for students to attend private institutions. The fund awards these scholarships to families who qualify for assistance under the guidelines set for the free or reduced price federal lunch program. The student submits an application and the financial documentation from a governmental agency. The student must meet the academic and admissions requirements of their chosen school. Applicants are awarded scholarships based on financial need. Once an applicant has been awarded a scholarship the school verifies to the BASIC Fund that the student has been accepted and is attending the institution. Scholarship checks are then sent directly to the schools. The institutions are all schools known to the BASIC Fund and we generally have numerous scholarship attendees at each of these inner city schools. We visit any schools that are new to our organization, and we regularly visit schools with the highest concentration of students. We endeavor to visit each of the smaller schools regularly but don't have a formal procedure in this regard.</p> |
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SCHEDULE O
(Form 990)

Supplemental Information to Form 990

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or to provide any additional information.
► Attach to Form 990.

Department of the Treasury
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| Name of the organization The Basic Fund | Employer identification number 94-3290699 |
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| Family Relationship | Part VI, Section A, line 2 | June McCarthy and James McCarthy have a family relationship |

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| Form 990 Review Process | Part VI, Section B, line 11 | The Executive Vice President and Treasurer, Mr J William Morris III, reviewed in detail the Form 990 and provided a copy of the Form 990 to the Board prior to filing the return with the Internal Revenue Service. The audit committee will review the Form 990 subsequent to filing form 990 with the Internal Revenue Service |

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| Conflict of Interest | Part VI, Section B, line 12c | EV P J William Morris III and Executive Director Rachel Elginsmith regularly monitor the activities of the organization and its board to ensure there is no conflict of interest. Our Conflicts of Interest Policy (the "Policy") covers all Directors, Principal Officers, and members of board committees with board delegated powers, and family members of such persons. In connection with any actual or potential conflict of interest, any person covered under the policy must disclose the existence of his or her financial interest and all material facts to the director(s) and officer(s) delegated by the board, currently the Executive Director and Treasurer, to consider the transaction or arrangement. Should the potential conflict warrant review by the board, the designated officer(s) alert the Chairman and other board committee chairs, to consider the transaction and determine whether there is a potential conflict. An investigation and special meeting may be called to aid in the determination, if necessary. A conflict must not exist within the organization at any time. If it is determined that a transaction will result in a conflict of interest the board must take steps to ensure that the conflict of interest does not arise. Should an already existing conflict of interest be brought to the attention of the board, necessary steps to eliminate the conflict must be taken. If there is reasonable cause to believe that an individual has failed to disclose a potential conflict, the board shall take appropriate disciplinary and corrective action. In the case of a transaction that could be characterized as an excess benefit to a Director or voting officer, special procedures ("Sanctions") are undertaken prior to such a transaction. These Sanctions include board approval of such transaction, and investigations and data gathering is to happen prior to such a vote. The vote occurs without the participation of the Director or Officer in question, or their family members. Any approved transactions are duly recorded. |

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| Process to determine officer compensation | | Last year, the board made up of independent members approved the use of a search company to fill the newly created Executive Director role. The search firm provided comparable compensation data for similarly qualified persons in functionally comparable positions at similarly situated organizations. The salary range determined for the Executive Director position and the deliberations and decision were documented contemporaneously. The documentation included the list of the members present at the time, how the members voted and a description of the comparable data relied upon by the board, etc. as required by the intermediate sanctions regulations. There are no other compensated officers or key employees of the organization. |

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| Documents available to the public | Part VI, Section C, line 19 | Federal Tax laws do not mandate that the organization's governing documents, conflict of interest policy and financial statements be made available for public inspection. The organization makes its financial statements available on its website and upon request. |

Additional Data

Software ID:
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Name: The Basic Fund

Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

| (A) Name and Title | (B) Average hours per week | (C) Position (check all that apply) | | | | | (D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099-MISC) | (E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W- 2/1099- MISC) | (F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations |
|------------------------------------|---|--|-----------------------|---------|--------------|---------------------------------|--|---|--|
| | | Individual trustee or director | Institutional Trustee | Officer | Key employee | Highest compensated employee | | | |
| Richard J Barker director | 1 0 | X | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Robert Barrett Director | 1 0 | X | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Richard J Bertero Director | 1 0 | X | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| James P Conn Director | 1 0 | X | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Kenneth Derr Director | 1 0 | X | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| R Stephen Doyle Director | 1 0 | X | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| James H Herbert Director | 1 0 | X | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Rupert Johnson Director | 1 0 | X | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| John E Kerrigan Director | 2 0 | X | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Steven Klein Director | 1 0 | X | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Kristi Markkula Bowers Director | 1 0 | X | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| James A McCarthy Chairman | 20 0 | X | X | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| June McCarthy Vice President | 5 0 | X | X | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| J William Morris Treasurer | 10 0 | X | X | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Paul Morton Director | 1 0 | X | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| George Richard Director | 1 0 | X | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| William T Ring Director | 1 0 | X | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Arthur Rock President | 2 0 | X | X | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Paul Sack Director | 1 0 | X | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Eric Schwartz Director | 1 0 | X | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Warren E Spieker Director | 1 0 | X | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Sara Steppe Director | 1 0 | X | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Kenneth Weeman Director | 1 0 | X | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Edward W Williams Director | 1 0 | X | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Michael W Wilsey Director | 1 0 | X | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

| (A) Name and Title | (B) Average hours per week | (C) Position (check all that apply) | | | | | (D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099-MISC) | (E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W- 2/1099- MISC) | (F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations |
|--|--|---|-----------------------|--------|--------------|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| | | Individual trustee or director | Institutional Trustee | Office | Key employee | Highest compensated employee | | | |
| Jeffery G Edwards Board Member | 1 0 | X | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Jane Su Board Member | 1 0 | X | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Stephen Millham Board Member | 1 0 | X | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Rachel Elginsmith executive director (beg 1/09) | 40 0 | | | X | | | 92,517 | 0 | 9,557 |