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Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

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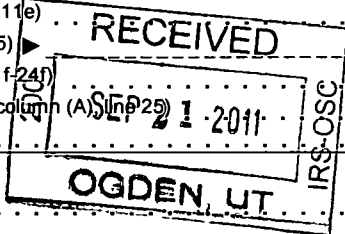
The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

A For the 2010 calendar year, or tax year beginning 05/01, 2010, and ending 04/30, 2011

Form 990 header section containing organization name (EL PASO SYMPHONY FOUNDATION), EIN (74-2664716), principal officer (KERRY ELLISON), and form type (FOUNDATION).

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Part I Summary table with columns for Revenue, Expenses, and Net Assets or Fund Balances. Rows include mission statement, governance metrics, and financial data for 2010 and 2011.



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.

Signature block containing the signature of Ruth Ellen Jacobson, her title as preparer, and the date 9-14-2011.

Preparer information section including name (Rene Pena), signature, date (9/15/11), firm name (PENA BRIONES MCDANIEL & CO., P.C.), and address.

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

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**Part III** Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part III

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission

EL PASO SYMPHONY FOUNDATION IS A SEPARATE CORPORATION WHICH PROVIDES THE ASSOCIATION WITH CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT.

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

4a (Code \_\_\_\_\_) (Expenses \$ \_\_\_\_\_ including grants of \$ \_\_\_\_\_) (Revenue \$ \_\_\_\_\_)

4b (Code: \_\_\_\_\_) (Expenses \$ \_\_\_\_\_ including grants of \$ \_\_\_\_\_) (Revenue \$ \_\_\_\_\_)

4c (Code. \_\_\_\_\_) (Expenses \$ \_\_\_\_\_ including grants of \$ \_\_\_\_\_) (Revenue \$ \_\_\_\_\_)

4d Other program services. (Describe in Schedule O )  
(Expenses \$ \_\_\_\_\_ including grants of \$ \_\_\_\_\_) (Revenue \$ \_\_\_\_\_)

4e Total program service expenses ►

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include questions 1 through 20b regarding organizational requirements and reporting.

**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)**

	Yes	No
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II.</i> . . . . .		X
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III.</i> . . . . .		X
23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J.</i> . . . . .		X
24 a 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? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25.</i> . . . . .		X
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception? . . . . .		
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? . . . . .		
d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year? . . . . .		
25 a <b>Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I.</i> . . . . .		X
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I.</i> . . . . .		X
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II.</i> . . . . .		X
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III.</i> . . . . .		X
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):		
a A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i> . . . . .		X
b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i> . . . . .		X
c An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i> . . . . .		X
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M.</i> . . . . .		X
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M.</i> . . . . .		X
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I.</i> . . . . .		X
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II.</i> . . . . .		X
33 Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I.</i> . . . . .		X
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1.</i> . . . . .		X
35 Is any related organization a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? . . . . .		X
a Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2.</i> . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
36 <b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2.</i> . . . . .		X
37 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI.</i> . . . . .		X
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11 and 19? <b>Note.</b> All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O. . . . .	X	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part V.

Main form area containing questions 1a through 14b with Yes/No columns and input fields.

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

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VI [X]

Section A. Governing Body and Management

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include questions about voting members, family relationships, management control, significant changes, asset diversions, members/stockholders, governing body decisions, meeting documentation, and officer reachability.

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

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include questions about local chapters, written policies, Form 990 distribution, conflict of interest policies, whistleblower policies, document retention, compensation review, joint ventures, and exempt status policies.

Section C. Disclosure

- 17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed
18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection.
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.
20 State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization: LINDA FISHER PO BOX 180 EL PASO, TX 79942

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

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VII.

**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.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. 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, and 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 neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (describe hours for related organizations in Schedule O)	(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	Former			
(1) KERRY ELLISON PRESIDENT	1.00	X		X						
(2) DR. ANTONIO GHISELLI, VP VICE PRESIDENT	1.00	X		X						
(3) CAROLYN GOUGH COMMITTEE	1.00	X								
(4) DEBBIE HAND COMMITTEE	1.00	X								
(5) DAVID P HASSLER COMMITTEE	1.00	X								
(6) W. J. BILL HOLMES COMMITTEE	1.00	X								
(7) SUE WOO COMMITTEE	1.00	X								
(8) JUDY ROBINSO EX-OFFICIO	1.00	X		X						
(9) RUTH ELLEN JACOBSON EX-OFFICIO	1.00	X		X						
(10)										
(11)										
(12)										
(13)										
(14)										
(15)										
(16)										

**Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees** (continued)

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (describe hours for related organizations in Schedule O)	(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	Former			
(17) -----										
(18) -----										
(19) -----										
(20) -----										
(21) -----										
(22) -----										
(23) -----										
(24) -----										
(25) -----										
(26) -----										
(27) -----										
(28) -----										
<b>1 b Sub-total</b> .....										
<b>c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A</b> .....										
<b>d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)</b> .....										

**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
<b>3</b> Did the organization list any former officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i> .....		X
<b>4</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i> .....		X
<b>5</b> Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i> .....		X

**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

**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	
<b>Contributions, gifts, grants and other similar amounts</b>	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					
	g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$ . . . . .						
	h	<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f . . . . .		0.				
<b>Program Service Revenue</b>	2a		<b>Business Code</b>					
	b							
	c							
	d							
	e							
	f	All other program service revenue . . . . .						
	g	<b>Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f . . . . .		0.				
<b>Other Revenue</b>	3	Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts) . . . . .		0.				
	4	Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds . . . . .		0.				
	5	Royalties . . . . .		0.				
	6a	Gross Rents . . . . .	(i) Real	(ii) Personal				
	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	(i) Securities	(ii) Other				
	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 . . . . .	a						
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.				
<b>Miscellaneous Revenue</b>			<b>Business Code</b>					
11a								
b								
c								
d	All other revenue . . . . .							
e	<b>Total.</b> Add lines 11a-11d . . . . .			0.				
12	<b>Total revenue.</b> See instructions . . . . .			0.				

**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)

<b>Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.</b>	(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 . . . . .	0.			
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 . . . . .	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 . . . . .	0.			
8 Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions). . . . .	0.			
9 Other employee benefits . . . . .	0.			
10 Payroll taxes . . . . .	0.			
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management . . . . .	0.			
b Legal . . . . .	0.			
c Accounting . . . . .	0.			
d Lobbying . . . . .	0.			
e Professional fundraising services See Part IV, line 17	0.			
f Investment management fees . . . . .	0.			
g Other . . . . .	0.			
12 Advertising and promotion . . . . .	0.			
13 Office expenses . . . . .	0.			
14 Information technology . . . . .	0.			
15 Royalties . . . . .	0.			
16 Occupancy . . . . .	0.			
17 Travel . . . . .	0.			
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials	0.			
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings . . . . .	0.			
20 Interest . . . . .	0.			
21 Payments to affiliates . . . . .	0.			
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization . . . . .	0.			
23 Insurance . . . . .	0.			
24 Other expenses Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24f. If line 24f amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24f expenses on Schedule O)				
a -----				
b -----				
c -----				
d -----				
e -----				
f All other expenses -----				
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f	0.			
26 Joint Costs. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720). 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	
<b>Assets</b>	1	Cash - non-interest-bearing . . . . .		1	
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments . . . . .	126,503.	2	150,980.
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net . . . . .		3	
	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)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions) . . . . .		6	
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net . . . . .		7	
	8	Inventories for sale or use . . . . .		8	
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges . . . . .		9	
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D			
		<b>10a</b>			
	b	Less accumulated depreciation . . . . .		<b>10c</b>	
		<b>10b</b>			
	11	Investments - publicly traded securities . . . . . <b>ATCH 1</b>		11	37,653.
	12	Investments - other securities See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .		12	
	13	Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .		13	
14	Intangible assets . . . . .		14		
15	Other assets See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .	15,223.	15	10,020.	
16	<b>Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34) . . . . .	141,726.	16	198,653.	
<b>Liabilities</b>	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses . . . . .		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	
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	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 . . . . .	-15,689.	27	198,653.
	28	Temporarily restricted net assets . . . . .		28	
	29	Permanently restricted net assets . . . . .	157,415.	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	<b>Total net assets or fund balances</b> . . . . .	141,726.	33	198,653.
	34	<b>Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances</b> . . . . .	141,726.	34	198,653.

**Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets**

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XI.  X

<b>1</b>	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12) . . . . .	<b>1</b>	0.
<b>2</b>	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25) . . . . .	<b>2</b>	0.
<b>3</b>	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1 . . . . .	<b>3</b>	0.
<b>4</b>	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A)) . . . . .	<b>4</b>	141,726.
<b>5</b>	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O) . . . . .	<b>5</b>	56,927.
<b>6</b>	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3, 4, and 5 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B)) . . . . .	<b>6</b>	198,653.

**Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting**

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XII

		Yes	No
<b>1</b>	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		
<b>2a</b>	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? . . . . .		X
<b>b</b>	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? . . . . .	X	
<b>c</b>	If "Yes" to line 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.	X	
<b>d</b>	If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were issued on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both. <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		
<b>3a</b>	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? . . . . .		X
<b>b</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.		

**SCHEDULE A**  
**(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**

**Public Charity Status and Public Support**

OMB No 1545-0047

**2010**

Open to Public Inspection

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: **EL PASO SYMPHONY FOUNDATION** Employer identification number: **74-2664716**

**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 described in 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)(vii). (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

- a  Type I      b  Type II      c  Type III - Functionally integrated      d  Type III - Other

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? .....

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

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

(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	Yes	No	Yes	No	
(A) ATTACHMENT 1									
(B)									
(C)									
(D)									
(E)									
<b>Total</b>									

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Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2010

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 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 or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

Section A. Public Support

Table with 6 columns: (a) 2006, (b) 2007, (c) 2008, (d) 2009, (e) 2010, (f) Total. Rows include: 1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received; 2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit; 3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit; 4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3; 5 The portion of total contributions by each person; 6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.

Section B. Total Support

Table with 6 columns: (a) 2006, (b) 2007, (c) 2008, (d) 2009, (e) 2010, (f) Total. Rows include: 7 Amounts from line 4; 8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources; 9 Net income from unrelated business activities; 10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets; 11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10; 12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc; 13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here.

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

Table with 2 columns: Line number, Percentage. Rows include: 14 Public support percentage for 2010; 15 Public support percentage from 2009 Schedule A, Part II, line 14; 16a 33 1/3% support test - 2010; b 33 1/3% support test - 2009; 17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test - 2010; b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test - 2009; 18 Private foundation.

**Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)**

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2006	(b) 2007	(c) 2008	(d) 2009	(e) 2010	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
<b>2</b> 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 . . . . .						
<b>3</b> Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513 . . . . .						
<b>4</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf . . . . .						
<b>5</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge . . . . .						
<b>6</b> Total. Add lines 1 through 5 . . . . .						
<b>7a</b> Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons . . . . .						
<b>b</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 . . . . .						
<b>c</b> Add lines 7a and 7b. . . . .						
<b>8</b> Public support (Subtract line 7c from line 6) . . . . .						

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2006	(b) 2007	(c) 2008	(d) 2009	(e) 2010	(f) Total
<b>9</b> Amounts from line 6. . . . .						
<b>10a</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources . . . . .						
<b>b</b> Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975 . . . . .						
<b>c</b> Add lines 10a and 10b . . . . .						
<b>11</b> Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on . . . . .						
<b>12</b> Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV) . . . . .						
<b>13</b> 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 section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here . . . . .

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

<b>15</b> Public support percentage for 2010 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) . . . . .	<b>15</b>	%
<b>16</b> Public support percentage from 2009 Schedule A, Part III, line 15 . . . . .	<b>16</b>	%

**Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage**

<b>17</b> Investment income percentage for 2010 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) . . . . .	<b>17</b>	%
<b>18</b> Investment income percentage from 2009 Schedule A, Part III, line 17 . . . . .	<b>18</b>	%

**19a** 33 1/3% support tests - 2010. 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 - 2009. 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.** Complete this part to provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; or Part III, line 12. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions).

ATTACHMENT 1

SCHEDULE A, PART I - INFORMATION ABOUT SUPPORTED ORGANIZATIONS

(I) NAME OF SUPPORTED ORGANIZATION	(II) EIN	(III) TYPE OF	(IV)	(V)	(VI)	(VII) AMOUNT OF SUPPORT
		ORGANIZATION	YES NO	YES NO	YES NO	
EL PASO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA FOUNDATION	74-2664716		X	X	X	
TOTAL AMOUNT OF SUPPORT						

SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

Supplemental Financial Statements

OMB No 1545-0047

2010

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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

EL PASO SYMPHONY FOUNDATION

Employer identification number

74-2664716

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.

Table with 2 columns: (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include: 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... Yes No, 6 Did the organization inform all grantees... Yes No.

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

Form with multiple sections: 1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply), 2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution..., 3 Number of conservation easements modified..., 4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located..., 5 Does the organization have a written policy..., 6 Staff and volunteer hours..., 7 Amount of expenses incurred..., 8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements..., 9 In Part XIV, describe how the organization reports 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.

Form with sections: 1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), 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. 1b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), 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. 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 (ASC 958) relating to these items: a Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1. b Assets included in Form 990, Part X.

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

3 Using the organization's acquisition, 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, b Scholarly research, c Preservation for future generations, d Loan or exchange programs, e Other

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?

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?

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

Table with columns for Amount and rows for 1c Beginning balance, 1d Additions during the year, 1e Distributions during the year, 1f Ending balance.

2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21?

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

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

Table with columns for (a) Current year, (b) Pnor year, (c) Two years back, (d) Three years back, (e) Four years back and rows for 1a-1g.

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:

Small table with Yes/No columns and rows for 3a(i), 3a(ii), 3b.

- (i) unrelated organizations, (ii) related organizations

b If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?

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

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

Table with columns for (a) Cost or other basis (investment), (b) Cost or other basis (other), (c) Accumulated depreciation, (d) Book value and rows for 1a Land, 1b Buildings, 1c Leasehold improvements, 1d Equipment, 1e Other.

Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)

**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
(1) Financial derivatives . . . . .		
(2) Closely-held equity interests . . . . .		
(3) Other		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
(I)		
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 12) ▶		

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

(a) Description of investment type	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
(10)		
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 13) ▶		

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

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1) A/R EPSOA	10,020.
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 15) ▶	10,020.

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

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Amount
(1) Federal income taxes	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	
(11)	
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 25) ▶	

2. FIN 48 (ASC 740) 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 (ASC 740).

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

1	Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	0.
2	Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	0.
3	Excess or (deficit) for the year. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	0.
4	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	4	
5	Donated services and use of facilities	5	
6	Investment expenses	6	
7	Prior period adjustments	7	
8	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	8	
9	Total adjustments (net) Add lines 4 through 8	9	
10	Excess or (deficit) for the year per audited financial statements Combine lines 3 and 9	10	0.

**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	57,636.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:		
a	Net unrealized gains on investments	2a	
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	2d	57,636.
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	57,636.
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	
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 must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)	5	

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

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	709.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Other losses	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	2d	709.
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	709.
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	
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 must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)	5	

**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, line 2, 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.

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**Part XIV** Supplemental Information (continued)

CONSOLIDATION OF EPSO FOUNDATION REVENUE WHICH WAS INCLUDED WITH EPSOA  
SCHEDULE D - PART XII - RECONCILIATION OF REVENUES - LINE 2D  
CONSOLIDATION OF EPSO FOUNDATION REVENUE INCLUDED WITH EPSOA \$57,636  
EPSOA - EL PASO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA ASSOCIATION

CONSOLIDATION OF EPSO FOUNDATION EXPENSES WHICH WERE INCLUDED WITH EPSOA  
SCHEDULE D - PART XIII - RECONCILIATION OF EXPENSES - LINE 2D  
CONSOLIDATION OF EPSO FOUNDATION EXPENSES INCLUDED WITH EPSOA \$709  
EPSOA - EL PASO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA ASSOCIATION

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

Name of the organization

EL PASO SYMPHONY FOUNDATION

Employer identification number

74-2664716

## REVIEW OF FORM 990 AND 990T

### PART VI - SECTION B. POLICIES - 11B REVIEW OF FORM 990

THE FORM 990 IS PRESENTED TO AND REVIEWED WITH THE FINANCE DIRECTOR, WHO THEN DELIVERS A RECAP TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OR ITS DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE.

## MONITOR AND ENFORCE COMPLIANCE WITH WRITTEN CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY

### PART VI - SECTION B. POLICIES - 12C WRITTEN CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY

THE BOARD COMMITTEE AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS ARE REQUIRED TO SIGN CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENTS WHICH REQUIRE DISCLOSURE AND NOTIFICATION OF ANY POTENTIAL CONFLICTS. THIS IS REVIEWED ANNUALLY.

## DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC

### PART VI - SECTION C. DISCLOSURE - 19

ALL GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICIES, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON REQUEST TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

ATTACHMENT 1

FORM 990, PART X - INVESTMENTS - PUBLICLY TRADED SECURITIES

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>ENDING BOOK VALUE</u>
MUTUAL FUND INVESTMENT	37,653.
TOTALS	<u>37,653.</u>