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

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

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

**2010**

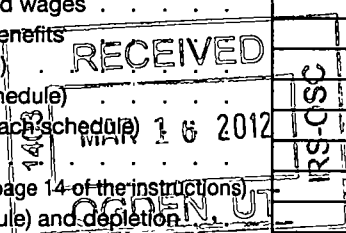
For calendar year 2010, or tax year beginning **December 1**, 2010, and ending **November 30**, 20 **11**

**G** Check all that apply:  Initial return  Initial return of a former public charity  Final return  
 Amended return  Address change  Name change

Name of foundation <b>The 3 Roots Foundation</b>		<b>A</b> Employer identification number <b>52-2389179</b>
Number and street (or P.O. box number if mail is not delivered to street address) <b>13809 Research Blvd.</b>	Room/suite <b>810</b>	<b>B</b> Telephone number (see page 10 of the instructions) <b>512-401-6550</b>
City or town, state, and ZIP code <b>Austin, Texas 78750</b>		<b>C</b> If exemption application is pending, check here <input type="checkbox"/> <b>D</b> 1. Foreign organizations, check here <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>H</b> Check type of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation <input type="checkbox"/> Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust <input type="checkbox"/> Other taxable private foundation		<b>E</b> If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here <input type="checkbox"/> <b>F</b> If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>I</b> Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col. (c), line 16) ▶ \$ <b>852,960</b>	<b>J</b> Accounting method: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____ <i>(Part I, column (d) must be on cash basis.)</i>	

<b>Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses</b> (The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a) (see page 11 of the instructions).)		(a) Revenue and expenses per books	(b) Net investment income	(c) Adjusted net income	(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>1</b> Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., received (attach schedule)	100,000			
	<b>2</b> Check <input type="checkbox"/> if the foundation is not required to attach Sch. B				
	<b>3</b> Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	0			
	<b>4</b> Dividends and interest from securities	18,739	18,739	18,739	
	<b>5a</b> Gross rents	0			
	<b>b</b> Net rental income or (loss)				
	<b>6a</b> Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10	15,014			
	<b>b</b> Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a				
	<b>7</b> Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)		12,631		
	<b>8</b> Net short-term capital gain			2,383	
	<b>9</b> Income modifications				
	<b>10a</b> Gross sales less returns and allowances				
<b>b</b> Less: Cost of goods sold					
<b>c</b> Gross profit or (loss) (attach schedule)					
<b>11</b> Other income (attach schedule)					
<b>12</b> Total. Add lines 1 through 11	133,753	31,370	21,122		
<b>Operating and Administrative Expenses</b>	<b>13</b> Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc.				
	<b>14</b> Other employee salaries and wages				
	<b>15</b> Pension plans, employee benefits				
	<b>16a</b> Legal fees (attach schedule)				
	<b>b</b> Accounting fees (attach schedule)				
	<b>c</b> Other professional fees (attach schedule)	6,261	2,761	2,761	
	<b>17</b> Interest				
	<b>18</b> Taxes (attach schedule) (see page 14 of the instructions)	322	322	322	
	<b>19</b> Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion				
	<b>20</b> Occupancy				
	<b>21</b> Travel, conferences, and meetings				
	<b>22</b> Printing and publications				
	<b>23</b> Other expenses (attach schedule)				
	<b>24</b> Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23	6,583	3,083	3,083	0
	<b>25</b> Contributions, gifts, grants paid	38,798			38,798
<b>26</b> Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25	45,381	3,083	3,083	38,798	
<b>27</b> Subtract line 26 from line 12:					
<b>a</b> Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	88,372				
<b>b</b> Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)		28,287			
<b>c</b> Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)			18,039		

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Part II Balance Sheets		Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only. (See instructions.)		Beginning of year	End of year	
		(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value		
Assets	1	Cash—non-interest-bearing . . . . .				
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments . . . . .	15,614	55,738	55,738	
	3	Accounts receivable ▶ . . . . .				
		Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ . . . . .				
	4	Pledges receivable ▶ . . . . .				
		Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ . . . . .				
	5	Grants receivable . . . . .				
	6	Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons (attach schedule) (see page 15 of the instructions) . . . . .				
	7	Other notes and loans receivable (attach schedule) ▶ . . . . .				
		Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ . . . . .				
	8	Inventories for sale or use . . . . .				
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges . . . . .				
	10a	Investments—U.S. and state government obligations (attach schedule)				
	b	Investments—corporate stock (attach schedule) . . . . .	675,898	740,819	769,008	
	c	Investments—corporate bonds (attach schedule) . . . . .	72,826	56,403	62,920	
	11	Investments—land, buildings, and equipment: basis ▶ . . . . .				
	Less: accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶ . . . . .					
12	Investments—mortgage loans . . . . .					
13	Investments—other (attach schedule) . . . . .					
14	Land, buildings, and equipment: basis ▶ . . . . .					
	Less: accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶ . . . . .					
15	Other assets (describe ▶ . . . . . )					
16	<b>Total assets</b> (to be completed by all filers—see the instructions. Also, see page 1, item l) . . . . .	764,338	852,960	887,666		
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses . . . . .		250		
	18	Grants payable . . . . .				
	19	Deferred revenue . . . . .				
	20	Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons				
	21	Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule) . . . . .				
	22	Other liabilities (describe ▶ . . . . . )				
23	<b>Total liabilities</b> (add lines 17 through 22) . . . . .	0	250			
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.					
	24	Unrestricted . . . . .				
	25	Temporarily restricted . . . . .				
	26	Permanently restricted . . . . .				
	Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 31.					
	27	Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds . . . . .				
	28	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg., and equipment fund				
	29	Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds	764,338	852,710		
30	<b>Total net assets or fund balances</b> (see page 17 of the instructions) . . . . .	764,338	852,710			
31	<b>Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances</b> (see page 17 of the instructions) . . . . .	764,338	852,710			

Part III Analysis of Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances			
1	Total net assets or fund balances at beginning of year—Part II, column (a), line 30 (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return) . . . . .	1	764,338
2	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a . . . . .	2	88,372
3	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ . . . . .	3	
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3 . . . . .	4	852,710
5	Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ . . . . .	5	
6	<b>Total net assets or fund balances at end of year</b> (line 4 minus line 5)—Part II, column (b), line 30 . . . . .	6	852,710

**Part IV Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income**

(a) List and describe the kind(s) of property sold (e.g., real estate, 2-story brick warehouse, or common stock, 200 shs MLC Co)		(b) How acquired P—Purchase D—Donation	(c) Date acquired (mo., day, yr)	(d) Date sold (mo., day, yr.)
<b>1a</b>	See attached schedule - Schedule 7			
<b>b</b>				
<b>c</b>				
<b>d</b>				
<b>e</b>				
(e) Gross sales price	(f) Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	(g) Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	(h) Gain or (loss) (e) plus (f) minus (g)	
<b>a</b>				
<b>b</b>				
<b>c</b>				
<b>d</b>				
<b>e</b>				
Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69				(i) Gains (Col (h) gain minus col. (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col (h))
(i) FMV as of 12/31/69	(j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess of col (i) over col (j), if any		
<b>a</b>				
<b>b</b>				
<b>c</b>				
<b>d</b>				
<b>e</b>				
<b>2</b>	Capital gain net income or (net capital loss) $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7} \\ \text{If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7} \end{array} \right\}$		<b>2</b>	<b>12,631</b>
<b>3</b>	Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6): If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c) (see pages 13 and 17 of the instructions). If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8		<b>3</b>	<b>2,383</b>

**Part V Qualification Under Section 4940(e) for Reduced Tax on Net Investment Income**

(For optional use by domestic private foundations subject to the section 4940(a) tax on net investment income.)

If section 4940(d)(2) applies, leave this part blank.

Was the foundation liable for the section 4942 tax on the distributable amount of any year in the base period?  Yes  No  
If "Yes," the foundation does not qualify under section 4940(e). Do not complete this part.

**1** Enter the appropriate amount in each column for each year; see page 18 of the instructions before making any entries.

(a) Base period years Calendar year (or tax year beginning in)	(b) Adjusted qualifying distributions	(c) Net value of noncharitable-use assets	(d) Distribution ratio (col (b) divided by col (c))
2009	37,026	777,627	.05
2008	32,902	742,488	.05
2007	29,013	662,995	.05
2006	26,000	592,887	.04
2005	18,135	509,540	.04
<b>2</b>	Total of line 1, column (d)		<b>2</b> .23
<b>3</b>	Average distribution ratio for the 5-year base period—divide the total on line 2 by 5, or by the number of years the foundation has been in existence if less than 5 years		<b>3</b> .05
<b>4</b>	Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2010 from Part X, line 5		<b>4</b> 902,614
<b>5</b>	Multiply line 4 by line 3		<b>5</b> 45,131
<b>6</b>	Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)		<b>6</b> 283
<b>7</b>	Add lines 5 and 6		<b>7</b> 45,414
<b>8</b>	Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 If line 8 is equal to or greater than line 7, check the box in Part VI, line 1b, and complete that part using a 1% tax rate. See the Part VI instructions on page 18.		<b>8</b> 38,798

**Part VI Excise Tax Based on Investment Income (Section 4940(a), 4940(b), 4940(e), or 4948—see page 18 of the instructions)**

<b>1a</b>	Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and enter "N/A" on line 1. Date of ruling or determination letter: _____ (attach copy of letter if necessary—see instructions)			
<b>b</b>	Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b	<b>1</b>		<b>283</b>
<b>c</b>	All other domestic foundations enter 2% of line 27b. Exempt foreign organizations enter 4% of Part I, line 12, col. (b).			
<b>2</b>	Tax under section 511 (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)	<b>2</b>		
<b>3</b>	Add lines 1 and 2	<b>3</b>		<b>283</b>
<b>4</b>	Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)	<b>4</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Tax based on investment income.</b> Subtract line 4 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-	<b>5</b>		<b>283</b>
<b>6</b>	Credits/Payments:			
<b>a</b>	2010 estimated tax payments and 2009 overpayment credited to 2010	<b>6a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Exempt foreign organizations—tax withheld at source	<b>6b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868)	<b>6c</b>		
<b>d</b>	Backup withholding erroneously withheld	<b>6d</b>		
<b>7</b>	Total credits and payments. Add lines 6a through 6d	<b>7</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>8</b>	Enter any <b>penalty</b> for underpayment of estimated tax. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if Form 2220 is attached	<b>8</b>		
<b>9</b>	<b>Tax due.</b> If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter <b>amount owed</b>	<b>9</b>		<b>283</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>Overpayment.</b> If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the <b>amount overpaid</b>	<b>10</b>		
<b>11</b>	Enter the amount of line 10 to be: <b>Credited to 2011 estimated tax</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Refunded</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>11</b>		

**Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities**

	Yes	No
<b>1a</b> During the tax year, did the foundation attempt to influence any national, state, or local legislation or did it participate or intervene in any political campaign?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>1b</b> Did it spend more than \$100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes (see page 19 of the instructions for definition)? <i>If the answer is "Yes" to 1a or 1b, attach a detailed description of the activities and copies of any materials published or distributed by the foundation in connection with the activities.</i>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>1c</b> Did the foundation file <b>Form 1120-POL</b> for this year?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>d</b> Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year: <b>(1)</b> On the foundation. ▶ \$ _____ <b>(2)</b> On foundation managers. ▶ \$ _____		
<b>e</b> Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers. ▶ \$ _____		
<b>2</b> Has the foundation engaged in any activities that have not previously been reported to the IRS? <i>If "Yes," attach a detailed description of the activities.</i>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>3</b> Has the foundation made any changes, not previously reported to the IRS, in its governing instrument, articles of incorporation, or bylaws, or other similar instruments? <i>If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes</i>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>4a</b> Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>4b</b> If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on <b>Form 990-T</b> for this year?		
<b>5</b> Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year? <i>If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T.</i>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>6</b> Are the requirements of section 508(e) (relating to sections 4941 through 4945) satisfied either: • By language in the governing instrument, or • By state legislation that effectively amends the governing instrument so that no mandatory directions that conflict with the state law remain in the governing instrument?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>7</b> Did the foundation have at least \$5,000 in assets at any time during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Part II, col. (c), and Part XV</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>8a</b> Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see page 19 of the instructions) ▶ Texas		
<b>8b</b> If the answer is "Yes" to line 7, has the foundation furnished a copy of Form 990-PF to the Attorney General (or designate) of each state as required by <i>General Instruction G</i> ? <i>If "No," attach explanation</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>9</b> Is the foundation claiming status as a private operating foundation within the meaning of section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5) for calendar year 2010 or the taxable year beginning in 2010 (see instructions for Part XIV on page 27)? <i>If "Yes," complete Part XIV</i>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>10</b> Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses</i>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)**

<b>11</b>	At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule (see page 20 of the instructions)			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>12</b>	Did the foundation acquire a direct or indirect interest in any applicable insurance contract before August 17, 2008?			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>13</b>	Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address ▶ <u>NA</u>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>14</b>	The books are in care of ▶ <u>D. Mark von Waaden</u> Telephone no. ▶ <u>512-401-6550</u> Located at ▶ <u>13809 Research Blvd. #810, Austin, Texas</u> ZIP+4 ▶ <u>78750</u>			
<b>15</b>	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of Form 1041—Check here . . . . . ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year . . . . . ▶ <b>15</b>			
<b>16</b>	At any time during calendar year 2010, did the foundation have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a bank, securities, or other financial account in a foreign country? See page 20 of the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1. If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶		Yes	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required**

**File Form 4720 if any item is checked in the "Yes" column, unless an exception applies.**

		Yes	No
<b>1a</b>	During the year did the foundation (either directly or indirectly):		
	(1) Engage in the sale or exchange, or leasing of property with a disqualified person? . . . <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
	(2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person? . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
	(3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person? . . . <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
	(4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person? . . . <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
	(5) Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)? . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
	(6) Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (Exception. Check "No" if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days.) . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
<b>b</b>	If any answer is "Yes" to 1a(1)–(6), did any of the acts fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4941(d)-3 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see page 22 of the instructions)? Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here . . . . . ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>1b</b>	
<b>c</b>	Did the foundation engage in a prior year in any of the acts described in 1a, other than excepted acts, that were not corrected before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2010?	<b>1c</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>2</b>	Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5)):		
<b>a</b>	At the end of tax year 2010, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2010? . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If "Yes," list the years ▶ 20____, 20____, 20____, 20____		
<b>b</b>	Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is <b>not</b> applying the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) (relating to incorrect valuation of assets) to the year's undistributed income? (If applying section 4942(a)(2) to all years listed, answer "No" and attach statement—see page 22 of the instructions.) . . . . .	<b>2b</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>c</b>	If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to any of the years listed in 2a, list the years here. ▶ 20____, 20____, 20____, 20____		
<b>3a</b>	Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year? . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2010 as a result of (1) any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969; (2) the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest; or (3) the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2010.) . . . . .	<b>3b</b>	
<b>4a</b>	Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?	<b>4a</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</b>	Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2010?	<b>4b</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required (continued)**

**5a** During the year did the foundation pay or incur any amount to:

(1) Carry on propaganda, or otherwise attempt to influence legislation (section 4945(e))?  Yes  No

(2) Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955); or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive?  Yes  No

(3) Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes?  Yes  No

(4) Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc., organization described in section 509(a)(1), (2), or (3), or section 4940(d)(2)? (see page 22 of the instructions)  Yes  No

(5) Provide for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals?  Yes  No

**b** If any answer is "Yes" to 5a(1)–(5), did any of the transactions fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4945 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see page 22 of the instructions)? Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here  **5b**

**c** If the answer is "Yes" to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant?  Yes  No  
If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945–5(d).

**6a** Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?  Yes  No

**b** Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?  Yes  No **6b** ✓  
If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870.

**7a** At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?  Yes  No

**b** If "Yes," did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction?  Yes  No **7b**

**Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors**

**1 List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation (see page 22 of the instructions).**

(a) Name and address	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (if not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
See Statement 2				

**2 Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1—see page 23 of the instructions). If none, enter "NONE."**

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

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

**Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors** *(continued)*

**3 Five highest-paid independent contractors for professional services (see page 23 of the instructions). If none, enter "NONE."**

(a) Name and address of each person paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
None		
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Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services . . . . .		▶

**Part IX-A Summary of Direct Charitable Activities**

List the foundation's four largest direct charitable activities during the tax year. Include relevant statistical information such as the number of organizations and other beneficiaries served, conferences convened, research papers produced, etc.	Expenses
<b>1</b> NA	
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<b>2</b>	
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<b>3</b>	
.....	
<b>4</b>	
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**Part IX-B Summary of Program-Related Investments (see page 24 of the instructions)**

Describe the two largest program-related investments made by the foundation during the tax year on lines 1 and 2.	Amount
<b>1</b> NA	
.....	
<b>2</b>	
.....	
All other program-related investments. See page 24 of the instructions	
<b>3</b>	
.....	
<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 3 . . . . .	▶

**Part X Minimum Investment Return** (All domestic foundations must complete this part. Foreign foundations, see page 24 of the instructions.)

<b>1</b>	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes:		
<b>a</b>	Average monthly fair market value of securities . . . . .	<b>1a</b>	<b>819,179</b>
<b>b</b>	Average of monthly cash balances . . . . .	<b>1b</b>	<b>97,180</b>
<b>c</b>	Fair market value of all other assets (see page 25 of the instructions) . . . . .	<b>1c</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>d</b>	<b>Total</b> (add lines 1a, b, and c) . . . . .	<b>1d</b>	<b>916,359</b>
<b>e</b>	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation) . . . . .	<b>1e</b>	
<b>2</b>	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets . . . . .	<b>2</b>	
<b>3</b>	Subtract line 2 from line 1d . . . . .	<b>3</b>	<b>916,359</b>
<b>4</b>	Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1 1/2 % of line 3 (for greater amount, see page 25 of the instructions) . . . . .	<b>4</b>	<b>13,745</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Net value of noncharitable-use assets.</b> Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4	<b>5</b>	<b>902,614</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Minimum investment return.</b> Enter 5% of line 5 . . . . .	<b>6</b>	<b>45,131</b>

**Part XI Distributable Amount** (see page 25 of the instructions) (Section 4942(j)(3) and (j)(5) private operating foundations and certain foreign organizations check here  and do not complete this part.)

<b>1</b>	Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6 . . . . .	<b>1</b>	<b>45,131</b>
<b>2a</b>	Tax on investment income for 2010 from Part VI, line 5 . . . . .	<b>2a</b>	<b>283</b>
<b>b</b>	Income tax for 2010. (This does not include the tax from Part VI.) . . . . .	<b>2b</b>	
<b>c</b>	Add lines 2a and 2b . . . . .	<b>2c</b>	<b>283</b>
<b>3</b>	Distributable amount before adjustments. Subtract line 2c from line 1 . . . . .	<b>3</b>	<b>44,848</b>
<b>4</b>	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions . . . . .	<b>4</b>	
<b>5</b>	Add lines 3 and 4 . . . . .	<b>5</b>	<b>44,848</b>
<b>6</b>	Deduction from distributable amount (see page 25 of the instructions) . . . . .	<b>6</b>	
<b>7</b>	<b>Distributable amount</b> as adjusted. Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1 . . . . .	<b>7</b>	<b>44,848</b>

**Part XII Qualifying Distributions** (see page 25 of the instructions)

<b>1</b>	Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc., purposes:		
<b>a</b>	Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc.—total from Part I, column (d), line 26 . . . . .	<b>1a</b>	<b>38,798</b>
<b>b</b>	Program-related investments—total from Part IX-B . . . . .	<b>1b</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>2</b>	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes . . . . .	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>3</b>	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the:		
<b>a</b>	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required) . . . . .	<b>3a</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>b</b>	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule) . . . . .	<b>3b</b>	
<b>4</b>	<b>Qualifying distributions.</b> Add lines 1a through 3b. Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4	<b>4</b>	<b>38,798</b>
<b>5</b>	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income. Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b (see page 26 of the instructions) . . . . .	<b>5</b>	<b>283</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Adjusted qualifying distributions.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4 . . . . .	<b>6</b>	<b>38,515</b>

**Note.** The amount on line 6 will be used in Part V, column (b), in subsequent years when calculating whether the foundation qualifies for the section 4940(e) reduction of tax in those years.

**Part XIII Undistributed Income** (see page 26 of the instructions)

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2009	(c) 2009	(d) 2010
<b>1</b> Distributable amount for 2010 from Part XI, line 7 . . . . .				<b>44,848</b>
<b>2</b> Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2010:				
<b>a</b> Enter amount for 2009 only . . . . .			<b>38,798</b>	
<b>b</b> Total for prior years: 20____, 20____, 20____				
<b>3</b> Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2010:				
<b>a</b> From 2005 . . . . .				
<b>b</b> From 2006 . . . . .				
<b>c</b> From 2007 . . . . .				
<b>d</b> From 2008 . . . . .				
<b>e</b> From 2009 . . . . .				
<b>f</b> Total of lines 3a through e . . . . .				
<b>4</b> Qualifying distributions for 2010 from Part XII, line 4: ▶ \$ <u>          38,798</u>				
<b>a</b> Applied to 2009, but not more than line 2a . . . . .			<b>38,798</b>	
<b>b</b> Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required—see page 26 of the instructions)				
<b>c</b> Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required—see page 26 of the instructions)				
<b>d</b> Applied to 2010 distributable amount . . . . .				
<b>e</b> Remaining amount distributed out of corpus . . . . .				
<b>5</b> Excess distributions carryover applied to 2010 (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a).)				
<b>6</b> Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
<b>a</b> Corpus. Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e. Subtract line 5				
<b>b</b> Prior years' undistributed income. Subtract line 4b from line 2b . . . . .				
<b>c</b> Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed . . . . .				
<b>d</b> Subtract line 6c from line 6b. Taxable amount—see page 27 of the instructions . . . . .				
<b>e</b> Undistributed income for 2009. Subtract line 4a from line 2a. Taxable amount—see page 27 of the instructions . . . . .				
<b>f</b> Undistributed income for 2010. Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1. This amount must be distributed in 2011 . . . . .				<b>44,848</b>
<b>7</b> Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3) (see page 27 of the instructions) . . . . .				
<b>8</b> Excess distributions carryover from 2005 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see page 27 of the instructions) . . . . .				
<b>9</b> Excess distributions carryover to 2011. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a . . . . .				
<b>10</b> Analysis of line 9:				
<b>a</b> Excess from 2006 . . . . .				
<b>b</b> Excess from 2007 . . . . .				
<b>c</b> Excess from 2008 . . . . .				
<b>d</b> Excess from 2009 . . . . .				
<b>e</b> Excess from 2010 . . . . .				

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

**1 a** If the foundation has received a ruling or determination letter that it is a private operating foundation, and the ruling is effective for 2010, enter the date of the ruling . . . . . ▶

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

	Tax year	Prior 3 years			(e) Total
	(a) 2010	(b) 2009	(c) 2008	(d) 2007	
<b>2a</b> Enter the lesser of the adjusted net income from Part I or the minimum investment return from Part X for each year listed . . . . .					
<b>b</b> 85% of line 2a . . . . .					
<b>c</b> Qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 for each year listed . . . . .					
<b>d</b> Amounts included in line 2c not used directly for active conduct of exempt activities . . . . .					
<b>e</b> Qualifying distributions made directly for active conduct of exempt activities. Subtract line 2d from line 2c . . . . .					
<b>3</b> Complete 3a, b, or c for the alternative test relied upon:					
<b>a</b> "Assets" alternative test—enter:					
<b>(1)</b> Value of all assets . . . . .					
<b>(2)</b> Value of assets qualifying under section 4942(j)(3)(B)(i) . . . . .					
<b>b</b> "Endowment" alternative test—enter 2/3 of minimum investment return shown in Part X, line 6 for each year listed . . . . .					
<b>c</b> "Support" alternative test—enter:					
<b>(1)</b> Total support other than gross investment income (interest, dividends, rents, payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), or royalties) . . . . .					
<b>(2)</b> Support from general public and 5 or more exempt organizations as provided in section 4942(j)(3)(B)(iii) . . . . .					
<b>(3)</b> Largest amount of support from an exempt organization . . . . .					
<b>(4)</b> Gross investment income . . . . .					

**Part XV Supplementary Information** (Complete this part only if the foundation had \$5,000 or more in assets at any time during the year—see page 28 of the instructions.)

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

See Statement 3

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

None

**2 Information Regarding Contribution, Grant, Gift, Loan, Scholarship, etc., Programs:**  
 Check here  if the foundation only makes contributions to preselected charitable organizations and does not accept unsolicited requests for funds. If the foundation makes gifts, grants, etc. (see page 28 of the instructions) to individuals or organizations under other conditions, complete items 2a, b, c, and d.

**a** The name, address, and telephone number of the person to whom applications should be addressed:  
 Monica D. Tovar-von Waaden. 13809 Research Blvd. #810, Austin, Texas 78750. 512-401-6550

**b** The form in which applications should be submitted and information and materials they should include:  
 Available upon request

**c** Any submission deadlines:  
 Available upon request

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

**Part XV Supplementary Information (continued)**

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

Recipient Name and address (home or business)	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
<i>a Paid during the year</i>				
Center for Child Protection  8509 FM 969, Bldg. 2, Austin, Texas 78724	NA		Unrestricted grant to assist victims of child abuse during investigtn and prosecution of their cases	20,000
Lutheran Social Services  8305 Cross Park Dr., Austin, Texas 78754	NA		Unrestricted grant for New Life Treatment Cntr	18,798
<b>Total</b>			▶ <b>3a</b>	<b>38,798</b>
<i>b Approved for future payment</i>				
None				
<b>Total</b>			▶ <b>3b</b>	<b>0</b>





**Schedule of Contributors**

**2010**

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

<b>Name of the organization</b> The 3 Roots Foundation	<b>Employer identification number</b> 52-2389179
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**Organization type** (check one):

**Filers of:**

**Section:**

Form 990 or 990-EZ

- 501(c)( ) (enter number) organization
- 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation
- 527 political organization

Form 990-PF

- 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation
- 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation
- 501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**.

**Note.** Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.

**General Rule**

- For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II.

**Special Rules**

- For a section 501(c)(3) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33<sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> % support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), and received from any one contributor, during the year, a contribution of the greater of (1) \$5,000 or (2) 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.
- For a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, aggregate contributions of more than \$1,000 for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.
- For a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but these contributions did not aggregate to more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Do not complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received nonexclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$5,000 or more during the year . . . . . ▶ \$ .....

**Caution.** An organization that is not covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules does not file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF), but it **must** answer "No" on Part IV, line 2 of its Form 990, or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ, or on line 2 of its Form 990-PF, to certify that it does not meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

Name of organization <b>The 3 Roots Foundation</b>	Employer identification number <b>52-2389179</b>
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**Part I** Contributors (see instructions)

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Aggregate contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	Dennis von Waaden ----- 13809 Research Blvd #810 ----- Austin, Texas 78750 -----	\$ ----- 50,000	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
2	Sally von Waaden ----- 13809 Research Blvd #810 ----- Austin, Texas 78750 -----	\$ ----- 50,000	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
-----	----- ----- ----- -----	\$ -----	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
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The 3 Roots Foundation

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Form 990-PF Dividends and Interest from Securities

Statement 1

JP Morgan Private Bank

18,739

Total to Form 990-PF, Part I, Line 4, Column A

18,739

Form 990-PF Part VIII – List of Officers, Directors Trustees and Managers Statement 2

<u>Name and Address</u>	<u>Title and Ave, Hrs/Wk.</u>	<u>Compensation</u>	<u>Expense Account</u>
Dennis C. von Waaden 2305 Barton Creek Blvd. Austin, TX 78735	Director .5	0.	0.
Sally A. von Waaden 2305 Barton Creek Blvd. Austin, TX 78735	Director .5	0.	0.
Matthew D. von Waaden 13809 Research Blvd, #810 Austin, TX 78750	Director 1	0.	0.
D. Mark von Waaden 13809 Research Blvd. #810 Austin, TX 78750	Director .05	0.	0.
Monica D. Tovar-von Waaden 13809 Research Blvd. #810 Austin, TX 78750	Director 1	0.	0.
Totals included on 990-PF, Page 6, Part VIII		<u>0.</u>	<u>0.</u>

Form 990-PF Part XV Line 1a – List of Foundation Managers Statement 3

Name of Manager

Dennis C. von Waaden  
Sally A. von Waaden

Form 990-PF Part I, Line 18 Taxes Paid Statement 4

Foreign taxes paid thru JP Morgan 238  
Net Investment Income Tax paid 84

Total to Form 990-PF Part I, Line 18 322

Form 990-PF Part I, Line 16c Statement 5

JP Morgan Investment Expense 2,761  
Management Fee – Denly Management, LLC 3,500

Total to Form 990-PF Part I, Line 16c 6,261

Form 990-PF Part II, Line 10 Investments, all on Books at CostStatement 6

## All held in JP Morgan Private Bank Account:

Cullen High Dividend Equity Fund	19,449	
HSBC Cont Buff	10,000	
JP Morgan TR I Growth	30,000	
JP Morgan US Large Cap Core Plus Fund	20,632	
Professionally Manager Portfolios	24,334	
SPDR S&P 500	32,206	
Ishares Russell Midcap Index Fund	20,790	
Ishares Russell 1000 Growth	20,144	
JP Morgan Mid Cap Value Fund	23,607	
CS Bren EAFE	10,000	
Dodge & Cox International Stock	35,885	
Manning & Napier Fund	30,000	
Manning & Napier Fund Inc	31,273	
Matthews Pacific Tiger FD	22,861	
T Rowe Price International Funds Inc	11,608	
Delaware Emerging Markets	10,773	
Vanguard Emerging Market ETF	27,719	
JP Morgan US Real Estate Fund	35,746	
Highbridge Dynamic Comm	25,000	
SPDR Gold Trust	5,570	
Arbitrage Funds	52,000	
Eaton Vance Mut Fds Tr	63,818	
Gateway Fund	40,000	
JPM Str Inc Opp	34,946	
Vanguard Fixed Income Secs	25,305	
JPMorgan Intl Currency	19,401	
Eaton Vance Mut Fds Tr	39,443	
Dreyfus/Laurel Fdr Tr	18,309	
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Total to Line 10b		740,819
Bond Funds:		
JP Morgan High Yield Bond Fund	24,304	
JP Morgan Short Duration Bond Fund	32,098	
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Total to Line 10c		56,403

**the 3 Roots Foundation**  
Part IV - Capital Gains and Losses  
Statement 7

Description	How Acquired	Date Acquired	Date Sold	Sales Price	Cost	Gain (Loss)	Total L	Total S
JPM Small Cap Equity DR - SEL	Purchased	various	1/5/2011	746.20	731.80	14.40	S	14.40
JMP Short Duration Bond FD - SEL	Purchased	various	1/5/2011	214.68	215.36	(0.68)	S	(0.68)
JMP Short Duration Bond FD - SEL	Purchased	2/1/2011	2/7/2011	54.25	54.40	(0.15)	S	(0.15)
Matthews Pacific Tiger FD	Purchased	various	2/7/2011	18,000.00	16,291.66	1,708.34	S	1,708.34
T Rowe Price Intl funds Inc	Purchased	various	2/7/2011	11,669.57	10,685.50	984.07	S	984.07
Delaware Emerging Markets Fund	Purchased	7/26/2011	11/30/2011	1,418.98	1,727.36	(308.38)	S	(308.38)
SPDR Gold Trust	Purchased	various	1/5/2011	2.75	-	2.75	L	2.75
JPM Small Cap Equity DR - SEL	Purchased	various	1/5/2011	22,663.66	20,321.54	2,342.12	L	2,342.12
JPM Short Duration Bond FD - SEL	Purchased	12/7/2007	1/5/2011	9,785.32	9,517.23	268.09	L	268.09
SPDR Gold Trust	Purchased	various	2/4/2011	2.58	-	2.58	L	2.58
JPM Short Duration Bond FD - SEL	Purchased	12/7/2007	2/7/2011	9,945.75	9,673.27	272.48	L	272.48
T Rowe Price Intl funds Inc	Purchased	various	2/7/2011	24,330.43	16,629.53	7,700.90	L	7,700.90
HSBC 18M Spx Mkt Pls Note	Purchased	8/7/2009	2/10/2011	26,107.39	20,000.00	6,107.39	L	6,107.39
SPDR Gold Trust	Purchased	various	3/3/2011	2.26	-	2.26	L	2.26
SPDR Gold Trust	Purchased	various	4/7/2011	2.64	-	2.64	L	2.64
GS EAFE Note	Purchased	4/1/2010	4/25/2011	16,000.00	16,000.00	-	L	-
SPDR Gold Trust	Purchased	various	5/9/2011	2.83	-	2.83	L	2.83
SPDR Gold Trust	Purchased	various	6/8/2011	2.80	-	2.80	L	2.80
SPDR Gold Trust	Purchased	various	7/8/2011	2.85	-	2.85	L	2.85
JPM US Real Estate FD - SEL	Purchased	2/2/2007	7/27/2011	10,000.00	14,388.04	(4,388.04)	L	(4,388.04)
SPDR Gold Trust	Purchased	various	8/10/2011	2.93	-	2.93	L	2.93
JPM SPX Cont Buff Eq Note	Purchased	3/5/2010	9/1/2011	10,943.00	10,000.00	943.00	L	943.00
SPDR Gold Trust	Purchased	various	9/9/2011	3.27	-	3.27	L	3.27
SPDR Gold Trust	Purchased	various	10/13/2011	3.68	-	3.68	L	3.68
SPDR Gold Trust	Purchased	various	11/14/2011	3.06	-	3.06	L	3.06
Vanguard MSCI Emerging Markets	Purchased	9/22/2010	11/30/2011	6,671.56	7,317.75	(646.19)	L	(646.19)

12,631.40    2,383.20