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Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

2011

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

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

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

A For the 2011 calendar year, or tax year beginning, 2011, and ending, 20

Form 990 header section containing organization name (BETTER HOMES, INC.), EIN (046190467), address (5 NORTHAMPTON AVENUE, SPRINGFIELD, MA 01109), and principal officer (THOMAS KEGELMAN).

Part I Summary

Table with 3 columns: Description, Prior Year, Current Year. Rows include mission statement, governance metrics, revenue (Total: 831,221), expenses (Total: 1,047,661), and net assets (Total: 1,142,024).

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 signatures of Thomas P. Kegelman (Clerk) dated 7/9/2012 and Thomas Teury (Preparer) dated 7/2/12, along with firm name (LESTER HALPERN & COMPANY P.C.) and address.

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

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
TO REMEDY SUBSTANDARD HOUSING FOR LOWER INCOME FAMILIES IN THE
SPRINGFIELD, MA AREA AND VICINITY.

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 organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured 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 \$ 555,127. including grants of \$ _____) (Revenue \$ 501,843)
RENTAL DEVELOPMENT & MANAGEMENT OF LOW INCOME HOUSING IN
SPRINGFIELD, MA AREA

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 ▶ 555,127.

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows 1-20b detailing various organizational requirements and reporting obligations.

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

		Yes	No
21	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to any government or organization in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II		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? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III		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? If "Yes," complete Schedule J		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? If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25		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	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II		X
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III		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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV		X
b	A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV		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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	X	
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M		X
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M		X
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I		X
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II	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? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I	X	
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1	X	
35 a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	X	
b	Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2		X
36	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2		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? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI		X
38	Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11 and 19? Note. 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.

Form with questions 1a through 14b regarding IRS filings and tax compliance, including sections on backup withholding, employee reporting, foreign accounts, prohibited transactions, and charitable trusts.

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: 1a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year... 1b Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a... 2 Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship... 3 Did the organization delegate control over management duties... 4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents... 5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets... 6 Did the organization have members or stockholders... 7a Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body... 7b Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body... 8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following: a The governing body? b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body? 9 Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O

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

Section C. Disclosure

- 17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed MASSACHUSETTS
18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (Section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply: [] Own website [] Another's website [X] Upon request
19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how), the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year
20 State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization THOMAS KEGELMAN 5 NORTHAMPTON AVENUE SPRINGFIELD, MA 01109 413-785-5312

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 X

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 (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(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			
ATTACHMENT 1										
(1) THOMAS KEGELMAN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/CLERK	1.00	X	X					0	112,375.	5,045.
(2) DAVID DANKER DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
(3) JERRY FRANKLIN DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
(4) DR. ANDREW BALDER DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
(5) JEFFERY SULLIVAN PRESIDENT	1.00	X		X				0	0	0
(6) STEVEN K. DAURY TREASURER	1.00	X		X				0	0	0
(7) VAN JOHNSON, ESQ. DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
(8) THOMAS MCCOLGAN DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
(9) JOHNNY RAMOS DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
(10) BRYAN COWAN DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
(11)										
(12)										
(13)										
(14)										

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

			(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512, 513, or 514	
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a	Federated campaigns	1a				
	b	Membership dues	1b				
	c	Fundraising events	1c				
	d	Related organizations	1d				
	e	Government grants (contributions)	1e				
	f	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f				
	g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$					
	h	Total Add lines 1a-1f		0			
Program Service Revenue	2a	PROGRAM SERVICE REVENUE	Business Code	531390	501,843.	501,843	
	b						
	c						
	d						
	e						
	f	All other program service revenue					
	g	Total. Add lines 2a-2f		501,843.			
Other Revenue	3	Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		63,716.		63,716.	
	4	Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds		0			
	5	Royalties		0			
			(i) Real	(ii) Personal			
	6a	Gross rents					
	b	Less rental expenses					
	c	Rental income or (loss)					
	d	Net rental income or (loss)		0			
			(i) Securities	(ii) Other			
	7a	Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory					
	b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses					
	c	Gain or (loss)					
	d	Net gain or (loss)		0			
	8a	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18	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				
	Miscellaneous Revenue	Business Code					
11a							
b							
c							
d	All other revenue						
e	Total Add lines 11a-11d		0				
12	Total revenue See instructions		565,559	501,843		63,716	

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)

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

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.		(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1	Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States See Part IV, line 21	0			
2	Grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States See Part IV, line 22	0			
3	Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the United States 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 accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	0			
9	Other employee benefits	0			
10	Payroll taxes	0			
11	Fees for services (non-employees)				
a	Management	70,033.		70,033.	
b	Legal	17,118.		17,118.	
c	Accounting	18,101.		18,101.	
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	1,461.		1,461.	
13	Office expenses	60,748.	54,673.	6,075.	
14	Information technology	0			
15	Royalties	0			
16	Occupancy	102,444.	92,200.	10,244.	
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	152,205.	152,205.		
21	Payments to affiliates	0			
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	58,093.	58,093.		
23	Insurance	23,224.	20,902.	2,322.	
24	Other expenses Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O)				
a	MAINTENANCE - LABOR	74,315.	74,315.		
b	MAINTENANCE-SUPPLIES&SERVICE	102,739.	102,739.		
c	-----				
d	-----				
e	All other expenses -----				
25	Total functional expenses Add lines 1 through 24e	680,481.	555,127.	125,354.	
26	Joint costs Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)	0			

Part X Balance Sheet

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year		
Assets	1	Cash - non-interest-bearing	258,853.	1	188,016.	
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments	52,897.	2	53,349.	
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net	0	3	0	
	4	Accounts receivable, net	1,531,423.	4	1,451,246.	
	5	Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees Complete Part II of Schedule L	0	5	0	
	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)	0	6	0	
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net	0	7	0	
	8	Inventories for sale or use	0	8	0	
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	11,805.	9	5,925.	
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a	1,151,123.		
	b	Less accumulated depreciation	10b	55,675.	10c	1,095,448.
	11	Investments - publicly traded securities	725,379.	11	698,522.	
	12	Investments - other securities See Part IV, line 11	80,100.	12	80,100.	
	13	Investments - program-related See Part IV, line 11	13,348.	13	13,829.	
	14	Intangible assets	0	14	0	
	15	Other assets See Part IV, line 11	94,364.	15	202,665.	
16	Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	4,711,910.	16	3,789,100.		
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses	1,876,363.	17	1,858,902.	
	18	Grants payable	0	18	0	
	19	Deferred revenue	3,933.	19	2,612.	
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities	0	20	0	
	21	Escrow or custodial account liability Complete Part IV of Schedule D	0	21	0	
	22	Payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons Complete Part II of Schedule L	0	22	0	
	23	Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties	1,650,222.	23	957,860.	
	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties	0	24	0	
	25	Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24) Complete Part X of Schedule D	39,368.	25	19,089.	
	26	Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	3,569,886.	26	2,838,463.	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.					
	27	Unrestricted net assets	1,142,024.	27	950,637.	
	28	Temporarily restricted net assets	0	28	0	
	29	Permanently restricted net assets	0	29	0	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.					
	30	Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30		
	31	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		31		
	32	Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32		
33	Total net assets or fund balances	1,142,024.	33	950,637.		
34	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	4,711,910.	34	3,789,100.		

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

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

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	565,559.
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	680,481.
3	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-114,922.
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	1,142,024.
5	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	5	-76,465.
6	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3, 4, and 5 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	6	950,637.

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

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

		Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O		
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?		X
2b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?	X	
2c	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	
d	If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were issued on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		
3a	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		X
3b	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		

Public Charity Status and Public Support

2011

Open to Public Inspection

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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.

Name of the organization

BETTER HOMES, INC.

Employer identification number

046190467

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)(vi). (Complete Part II)
- 9 An organization that normally receives (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions - subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975 See section 509(a)(2). (Complete Part III)
- 10 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety See section 509(a)(4).
- 11 An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2) See section 509(a)(3). Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h
 - 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?

	Yes	No
11g(i)		
 - (ii) A family member of a person described in (i) above?

	Yes	No
11g(ii)		
 - (iii) A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above?

	Yes	No
11g(iii)		
- 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)									
(B)									
(C)									
(D)									
(E)									
Total									

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

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2007	(b) 2008	(c) 2009	(d) 2010	(e) 2011	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants")						
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3						
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2007	(b) 2008	(c) 2009	(d) 2010	(e) 2011	(f) Total
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, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV)						
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	
13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2011 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	%
15 Public support percentage from 2010 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	%
16a 33 1/3% support test - 2011. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 33 1/3% support test - 2010. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test - 2011. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test - 2010. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		

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) 2007	(b) 2008	(c) 2009	(d) 2010	(e) 2011	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants")						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose	684,425.	443,332.	531,273.	728,885.	501,843.	2,889,758
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5	684,425.	443,332.	531,273.	728,885.	501,843.	2,889,758
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b.						
8 Public support (Subtract line 7c from line 6)						2,889,758

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2007	(b) 2008	(c) 2009	(d) 2010	(e) 2011	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6.	684,425.	443,332.	531,273.	728,885.	501,843.	2,889,758
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	101,642.	79,267.	65,778.	67,430.	63,716.	377,833
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b	101,642.	79,267.	65,778.	67,430.	63,716.	377,833
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV)				67,335.		67,335
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12)	786,067.	522,599.	597,051.	863,650.	565,559.	3,334,926.
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 ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2011 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	86.65%
16 Public support percentage from 2010 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	86.78%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2011 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	11.33%
18 Investment income percentage from 2010 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	11.29%

- 19a **33 1/3% support tests - 2011.** 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 - 2010.** 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, and Part III, line 12. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions)

PART III LINE 12 - 2010

OTHER INCOME

ENERGY EFFICIENCY INCENTIVE INCOME	\$30,808
DISCHARGE OF LOAN	36,527
TOTAL	\$67,335

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Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.

Attach to Form 990. See separate instructions.

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

BETTER HOMES, INC.

Employer identification number

046190467

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 Total number at end of year, Aggregate contributions to (during year), Aggregate grants from (during year), Aggregate value at end of year, and two questions about donor advisement.

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

Form for Part II Conservation Easements. Includes questions about purpose of easements, total number of easements, acreage restricted, and monitoring expenses.

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 for Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets. Includes questions about reporting requirements for art and historical treasures.

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? Yes No

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

- 1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? Yes No
- b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV and complete the following table
- | | Amount |
|---|--------|
| c Beginning balance | 1c |
| d Additions during the year | 1d |
| e Distributions during the year | 1e |
| f Ending balance | 1f |
- 2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21? Yes No
- b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV

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

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance					
b Contributions					
c Net investment earnings gains, and losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance					

- 2 Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as
- a Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶ _____ %
 - b Permanent endowment ▶ _____ %
 - c Temporarily restricted endowment ▶ _____ %
- The percentages in lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%
- 3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by
- | | Yes | No |
|---------------------------------------|--------|----|
| (i) unrelated organizations | 3a(i) | |
| (ii) related organizations | 3a(ii) | |
- b If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? Yes No
- 3b
- 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

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land		257,200.		257,200.
b Buildings		892,738.	55,556.	837,182.
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment		1,185.	119.	1,066.
e Other				
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B) line 10(c)				1,095,448.

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)		
Total (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)		
Total (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) REFINANCING COSTS-NET OF AMORT	9,446.
(2) SECURITY DEPOSITS	19,094.
(3) PREDEVELOPMENT EXPENSE	167,945.
(4) UTILITY DEPOSITS	1,180.
(5) ORGANIZATIONAL COST	5,000.
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	
Total (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 15)	202,665.

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

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	
(2) SECURITY DEPOSITS	19,089.
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	
(11)	
Total (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 25)	19,089.

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 XIV Supplemental Information (continued)

PART X, LINE 2

FIN 48 FOOTNOTE

INCOME TAXES INCLUDE FEDERAL AND STATE INCOME TAXES CURRENTLY PAYABLE AND THOSE DEFERRED BECAUSE OF TEMPORARY DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND TAX BASIS OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS WELL AS OPERATING LOSSES CARRYFORWARDS.

BETTER HOMES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES ADOPTED AN ACCOUNTING INTERPRETATION THAT CLARIFIES THE ACCOUNTING AND RECOGNITION FOR INCOME TAX POSITIONS TAKEN OR EXPECTED TO BE TAKEN IN THE ORGANIZATIONS' INCOME TAX RETURNS. THE ORGANIZATIONS BELIEVE THEIR EVALUATIONS OF TAX LIABILITIES ARE APPROPRIATE BASED ON CURRENT FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES. THE ORGANIZATIONS' OPEN AUDIT PERIODS ARE 2008 THROUGH 2011. PENALTIES AND INTEREST, IF ANY, ASSESSED BY TAX AUTHORITIES WILL BE INCLUDED IN OPERATING EXPENSES.

SCHEDULE L
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Transactions With Interested Persons

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▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 25a, 25b, 26, 27, 28a, 28b, or 28c, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 38a or 40b.
▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ See separate instructions.

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Part I Excess Benefit Transactions (section 501(c)(3) and section 501(c)(4) organizations only)

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 25a or 25b, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 40b

1	(a) Name of disqualified person	(b) Description of transaction	(c) Correct?	
			Yes	No
(1)				
(2)				
(3)				
(4)				
(5)				
(6)				

- 2 Enter the amount of tax imposed on the organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under section 4958 ▶ \$ _____
- 3 Enter the amount of tax, if any, on line 2, above, reimbursed by the organization ▶ \$ _____

Part II Loans to and/or From Interested Persons.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV line 26, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 38a

1	(a) Name of interested person and purpose	(b) Loan to or from the organization?		(c) Original principal amount	(d) Balance due	(e) In default?		(f) Approved by board or committee?		(g) Written agreement?	
		To	From			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
		(1)									
(2)											
(3)											
(4)											
(5)											
(6)											
(7)											
(8)											
(9)											
(10)											
Total ▶ \$											

Part III Grants or Assistance Benefiting Interested Persons.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 27

1	(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship between interested person and the organization	(c) Amount and type of assistance
(1)			
(2)			
(3)			
(4)			
(5)			
(6)			
(7)			
(8)			
(9)			
(10)			

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the instructions for Form 990 or 990-EZ.

Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2011

Part IV Business Transactions Involving Interested Persons.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 28a, 28b, or 28c

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship between interested person and the organization	(c) Amount of transaction	(d) Description of transaction	(e) Sharing of organization's revenues?	
				Yes	No
(1) JEFFREY SULLIVAN	BOARD MEMBER & BANKER	106,119.	FUNDS ON DEPOSIT		X
(2) JEFFREY SULLIVAN	BOARD MEMBER & BANKER	805	FUNDS ON DEPOSIT		X
(3) DAVID DANKER	BOARD MEMBER & BANKER	265,092.	FUNDS ON DEPOSIT		X
(4) DAVID DANKER	BOARD MEMBER & BANKER	109	FUNDS ON DEPOSIT		X
(5) JERRY FRANKLIN	BOARD MEMBER & CONSULTANT	2,500	PAID FOR SERVICES		X
(6)					
(7)					
(8)					
(9)					
(10)					

Part V Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule L (see instructions)

Part I Liquidation, Termination, or Dissolution (continued)

Note If the organization distributed all of its assets during the tax year, then Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 16 (Total assets), and line 26 (Total liabilities), should equal -0-

3	Did the organization distribute its assets in accordance with its governing instrument(s)? If "No," describe in Part III	Yes	No
4 a	Is the organization required to notify the attorney general or other appropriate state official of its intent to dissolve, liquidate, or terminate?		
4 b	If "Yes," did the organization provide such notice?		
5	Did the organization discharge or pay all of its liabilities in accordance with state laws?		
6 a	Did the organization have any tax-exempt bonds outstanding during the year?		
6 b	Did the organization discharge or defease all of its tax-exempt bond liabilities during the tax year in accordance with the Internal Revenue Code and state laws?		
c If "Yes" to line 6b, describe in Part III how the organization defeased or otherwise settled these liabilities. If "No," explain in Part III			

Part II Sale, Exchange, Disposition, or Other Transfer of More Than 25% of the Organization's Assets. Complete this part if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 32, or Form 990-EZ, line 36. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

1	(a) Description of asset(s) distributed or transaction expenses paid	(b) Date of distribution	(c) Fair market value of asset(s) distributed or amount of transaction expenses	(d) Method of determining FMV for asset(s) distributed or transaction expenses	(e) EIN of recipient	(f) Name and address of recipient	(g) IRC section of recipient(s) (if tax-exempt) or type of entity
	RENTAL REAL ESTATE	03/17/2011	479,103	BOOK VALUE	275197269	SPRINGFIELD HOMES, LLC 116 FLORIDA DRIVE SPRINGFIELD, MA 01109	LLC
	RENTAL REAL ESTATE	03/31/2011	47,868	BOOK VALUE	042103701	AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE 1000 STATE STREET SPRINGFIELD, MA 01109	501 (C) (3)
	RENTAL REAL ESTATE	06/15/2011	287,552	BOOK VALUE	275197269	SPRINGFIELD HOMES, LLC 116 FLORIDA DRIVE SPRINGFIELD, MA 01109	LLC
	COMMISSION	03/17/2011	27,409	ACTUAL COST	043332208	COLDWELL BANKER RESIDENTIAL BROKERAGE 1 CAMPUS DRIVE PARSIPPANY, NJ 07054	CORPORATION
	COMMISSION	06/15/2011	11,342	ACTUAL COST	043332208	COLDWELL BANKER RESIDENTIAL BROKERAGE 1 CAMPUS DRIVE PARSIPPANY, NJ 07054	CORPORATION

2	Did or will any officer, director, trustee, or key employee of the organization	Yes	No
a	Become a director or trustee of a successor or transferee organization?		X
b	Become an employee of, or independent contractor for, a successor or transferee organization?		X
c	Become a direct or indirect owner of a successor or transferee organization?		X
d	Receive, or become entitled to, compensation or other similar payments as a result of the organization's significant disposition of assets?		X
e If the organization answered "Yes" to any of the questions in this line, provide the name of the person involved and explain in Part III			

Part III **Supplemental Information.** Complete to provide the information required by Part I, lines 2e and 6c, and Part II, line 2e. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

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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.

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PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 11B

A MEMBER OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE WILL REVIEW THE FORM 990 AND THEN
PRESENT IT WITH HIS/HER RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE FULL BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO
BE VOTED ON FOR FINAL APPROVAL.

PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C

ANNUALLY ALL BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND KEY EMPLOYEES COMPLETE A CONFLICT OF
INTEREST DISCLOSURE.

PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15A

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS IS RESPONSIBLE FOR
DETERMINING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COMPENSATION ANNUALLY.

PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19

BETTER HOMES, INC. MAKES ITS GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, CONFLICT OF INTEREST
POLICY, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON REQUEST.

PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 1B

ONE MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS IS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR WHO
RECEIVES COMPENSATION FROM A RELATED ORGANIZATION SO IS NOT INDEPENDENT.
THREE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS
REPORTED IN SCHEDULE L, PART IV SO ARE NOT INDEPENDENT.

PART XI, LINE 5

LOSS ON SALE OF PROPERTY

S-44,292

Name of the organization

BETTER HOMES, INC.

Employer identification number

UNREALIZED LOSS ON INVESTMENTS -32,173

OTHER CHANGES IN NET ASSETS OR FUND BALANCES \$-76,465

ATTACHMENT 1FORM 990, PART VII, COLUMN B - ESTIMATED AVERAGE PER WEEK

NAME AND TITLE	HOURS DEVOTED FOR RELATED ORGANIZATION
THOMAS KEGELMAN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/CLERK	40.00

ATTACHMENT 2990, PART VII- COMPENSATION OF THE FIVE HIGHEST PAID IND. CONTRACTORS

<u>NAME AND ADDRESS</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES</u>	<u>COMPENSATION</u>
HOME CITY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CORP. 5 NORTHAMPTON AVENUE SPRINGFIELD, MA 01109	.	202,553.
TOTAL COMPENSATION		<u>202,553.</u>

**SCHEDULE R
(Form 990)**

Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships

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▶ **Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 33, 34, 35, 36, or 37.**
▶ **Attach to Form 990** ▶ **See separate instructions.**

Name of the organization

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Employer identification number
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Part I Identification of Disregarded Entities (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 33)

(a) Name, address, and EIN of disregarded entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Total income	(e) End-of-year assets	(f) Direct controlling entity
(1) BETTER HOMES TAPLEY LLC 5 NORTHAMPTON AVE 270734927 SPRINGFIELD, MA 01109	APT. RENTALS	MA	286,679.	1,351,133.	N/A
(2) -----					
(3) -----					
(4) -----					
(5) -----					
(6) -----					

Part II Identification of Related Tax-Exempt Organizations (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related tax-exempt organizations during the tax year)

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Exempt Code section	(e) Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3))	(f) Direct controlling entity	(g) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
						Yes	No
(1) CENTER CITY HOUSING, INC 5 NORTHAMPTON AVENUE 043477805 SPRINGFIELD, MA 01109	APT. RENTALS	MA	501(C)(3)	9	N/A		X
(2) -----							
(3) -----							
(4) -----							
(5) -----							
(6) -----							
(7) -----							

Part III Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Partnership (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a partnership during the tax year)

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Predominant income (related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512-514)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V-UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
							Yes	No		Yes	No	
(1) NEIGHBORHOOD HOMES LP 04342607 5 NORTHAMPTON AVENUE	REAL ESTATE	MA	N/A	RELATED	-41			X			X	0050
(2) LIBERTY HILL TOWN HOUSES LP 20 5 NORTHAMPTON AVENUE	REAL ESTATE	MA	N/A	RELATED	-32			X			X	0050
(3) -----												
(4) -----												
(5) -----												
(6) -----												
(7) -----												

Part IV Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Corporation or Trust (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a corporation or trust during the tax year)

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Type of entity (C corp, S corp, or trust)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Percentage ownership
(1) HOME CITY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CORP 042490029 5 NORTHAMPTON AVENUE SPRINGFIELD, MA 01109	REAL ESTATE	MA	N/A	C	-24,918	735,196	100 0000
(2) NEIGHBORHOOD HOMES, INC 043429971 5 NORTHAMPTON AVENUE SPRINGFIELD, MA 01109	REAL ESTATE	MA	N/A	C	1,980		50 0000
(3) BETTER HOMES LIBERTY HILL, INC 202019973 5 NORTHAMPTON AVENUE SPRINGFIELD, MA 01109	REAL ESTATE	MA	N/A	C	-32		100 0000
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Part V Transactions With Related Organizations (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 34, 35, 35a, or 36)

Note. Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III, or IV of this schedule

	Yes	No
1 During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?		
a Receipt of (i) interest (ii) annuities (iii) royalties or (iv) rent from a controlled entity	X	
b Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s)		X
c Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s)		X
d Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s)	X	
e Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s)		X
f Sale of assets to related organization(s)		X
g Purchase of assets from related organization(s)		X
h Exchange of assets with related organization(s)		X
i Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s)		X
j Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s)		X
k Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s)	X	
l Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s)	X	
m Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s)		X
n Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s)		X
o Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses		X
p Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses		X
q Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s)		X
r Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s)		X

2 If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," see the instructions for information on who must complete this line, including covered relationships and transaction thresholds

(a) Name of other organization	(b) Transaction type (a-r)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
(1) NEIGHBORHOOD HOMES LIMITED PARTNERSHIP	A	54,942.	FAIR VALUE
(2) HOME CITY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CORP	D	6,216.	FAIR VALUE
(3) NEIGHBORHOOD HOMES LIMITED PARTNERSHIP	D	1,339,236.	FAIR VALUE
(4) HOME CITY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CORP	L	190,056.	FAIR VALUE
(5) HOME CITY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CORP	A	502.	FAIR VALUE
(6) BETTER HOMES TAPLEY LLC	K	101,404.	FAIR VALUE

Part VI Unrelated Organizations Taxable as a Partnership (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 37)

Provide the following information for each entity taxed as a partnership through which the organization conducted more than five percent of its activities (measured by total assets or gross revenue) that was not a related organization See instructions regarding exclusion for certain investment partnerships

(a) Name, address, and EIN of entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Predominant income (related, unrelated, excluded from tax under section 512-514)	(e) Are all partners section 501(c)(3) organizations?		(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V-UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
				Yes	No			Yes	No		Yes	No	
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Part VII Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule R (see instructions)

Application for Extension of Time To File an Exempt Organization Return

File a separate application for each return.

- If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part I** and check this box
 - If you are filing for an **Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part II** (on page 2 of this form)
- Do not complete Part II unless** you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868

Electronic filing (e-file). You can electronically file Form 8868 if you need a 3-month automatic extension of time to file (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T), or an additional (not automatic) 3-month extension of time. You can electronically file Form 8868 to request an extension of time to file any of the forms listed in Part I or Part II with the exception of Form 8870, Information Return for Transfers Associated With Certain Personal Benefit Contracts, which must be sent to the IRS in paper format (see instructions). For more details on the electronic filing of this form, visit www.irs.gov/efile and click on *e-file for Charities & Nonprofits*

Part I Automatic 3-Month Extension of Time. Only submit original (no copies needed)

A corporation required to file Form 990-T and requesting an automatic 6-month extension - check this box and complete Part I only

All other corporations (including 1120-C filers), partnerships, REMICs, and trusts must use Form 7004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns

Type or print File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions	Name of exempt organization or other filer, see instructions BETTER HOMES, INC.	Employer identification number (EIN) or <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 046190467
	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P O box, see instructions 5 NORTHAMPTON AVENUE	Social security number (SSN) <input type="checkbox"/>
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions SPRINGFIELD, MA 01109	

Enter the Return code for the return that this application is for (file a separate application for each return)

Application Is For	Return Code	Application Is For	Return Code
Form 990	01	Form 990-T (corporation)	07
Form 990-BL	02	Form 1041-A	08
Form 990-EZ	01	Form 4720	09
Form 990-PF	04	Form 5227	10
Form 990-T (sec 401(a) or 408(a) trust)	05	Form 6069	11
Form 990-T (trust other than above)	06	Form 8870	12

- The books are in the care of THOMAS KEGELMAN

Telephone No 413 785-5312 FAX No 413 736-9919

- If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box
- If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) _____ If this is for the whole group, check this box If it is for part of the group, check this box and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension is for

1 I request an automatic 3-month (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T) extension of time until 08/15, 2012, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for calendar year 2011 or tax year beginning _____, 20____, and ending _____, 20____

2 If the tax year entered in line 1 is for less than 12 months check reason Initial return Final return Change in accounting period

3a If this application is for Form 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720 or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions	3a \$
b If this application is for Form 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit	3b \$
c Balance due. Subtract line 3b from line 3a. Include your payment with this form, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions	3c \$ 0

Caution. If you are going to make an electronic fund withdrawal with this Form 8868, see Form 8453-EO and Form 8879-EO for payment instructions