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Form 990  Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service	Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)	OMB No 1545-0047 <div> <div>2011</div> <div>Open to Public Inspection</div> </div>
	▶ 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 01-01-2011 and ending 12-31-2011		D Employer identification number 22-3053747	
B Check if applicable <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending		E Telephone number (617) 247-0700	
C Name of organization CERES INC Doing Business As Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite 99 CHAUNCY STREET 6TH FLOOR City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 BOSTON, MA 021111703		G Gross receipts \$ 7,477,608	
F Name and address of principal officer MINDY LUBBER 99 CHAUNCY STREET 6TH FLOOR BOSTON, MA 021111703		H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No H(b) Are all affiliates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list (see instructions) H(c) Group exemption number	
I Tax-exempt status <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) () (Insert no) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527			
J Website: WWW.CERES.ORG			
K Form of organization <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other		L Year of formation 1990 M State of legal domicile MA	

Part I	Summary
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Activities & Governance	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities CERES, INC (CERES) IS A BOSTON-BASED ORGANIZATION ENGAGING INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS AND CORPORATE LEADERS TO ADDRESS SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL CHALLENGES THROUGH THE INTEGRATION OF SUSTAINABLE PRACTICES INTO BUSINESS OPERATIONS THIS IS ACCOMPLISHED WITH THE HELP OF MEMBERS OF THE CERES COALITION, A NETWORK OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND OTHER PUBLIC INTEREST ORGANIZATIONS		
	2 Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets		
	3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	20
	4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	19
	5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2011 (Part V, line 2a)	5	85
	6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	17
	7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0
b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	0	
Revenue	8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year	Current Year
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	4,301,463	4,686,932
	10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	2,525,281	2,567,029
	11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	27,834	25,994
	12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	241,696	184,781
		7,096,274	7,464,736
Expenses	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	0	0
	14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	0	0
	15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)	4,063,211	5,031,969
	16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	7,422	0
	b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 806,333		
	17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24e)	3,125,380	2,878,271
	18 Total expenses Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	7,196,013	7,910,240
	19 Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12	-99,739	-445,504
	Net Assets or Fund Balances		Beginning of Current Year
20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)		8,004,221	7,614,133
21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)		1,086,090	1,141,506
22 Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20		6,918,131	6,472,627

Part II Signature Block

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

Sign Here	***** Signature of officer			2012-09-13 Date	
	GORDON MACFARLAND CFO Type or print name and title				
Paid Preparer's Use Only	Preparer's signature	JOSEPH M GISO	Date	Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/>	Preparer's taxpayer identification number (see instructions) P00030126
	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4	CBIZ TOFIAS 500 BOYLSTON STREET BOSTON, MA 02116			EIN 26-3753134
					Phone no (617) 761-0600

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

Part III

Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part III ☐ Yes ☒ No

1

Briefly describe the organization's mission

SEE SCHEDULE O

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 \$ 1,224,304 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 384,044)
SUSTAINABLE CAPITAL MARKETS CERES MOBILIZES PENSION FUNDS AND LARGE INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS TO PROMOTE THE INTEGRATION OF SUSTAINABILITY INTO INVESTMENT DECISION CRITERIA IN 2003, CERES LAUNCHED AND CONTINUES TO DIRECT THE INVESTOR NETWORK ON CLIMATE RISK (INCR), AN ALLIANCE OF OVER 100 GLOBAL INVESTORS WITH COMBINED ASSETS OF ROUGHLY \$10 TRILLION INCR MEMBERS PRESS COMPANIES FOR GREATER CLIMATE RISK ANALYSIS AND DISCLOSURE CERES ORGANIZED INVESTOR SUMMITS WERE HELD AT THE UNITED NATIONS IN 2003, 2005, 2008, 2010 AND 2012, BRINGING TOGETHER GLOBAL ASSET OWNERS AND MANAGERS TO CONSIDER HOW COLLECTIVELY THEIR ACTIONS AND DECISIONS CAN INFLUENCE CORPORATE PRACTICES AND ACCOUNTABILITY IN 2011, OVER 30 INCR MEMBERS SIGNED A LETTER TO THE CEOS OF THE RUSSELL 1000 COMPANIES, URGING THEM TO ADOPT THE PRINCIPLES OUTLINED IN "THE 21ST CENTURY CORPORATION THE CERES ROADMAP FOR SUSTAINABILITY," A GUIDE FOR INTEGRATING SUSTAINABILITY ACROSS COMPANY OPERATIONS AND SUPPLY CHAINS THROUGH THE SHAREHOLDER INITIATIVE ON CLIMATE AND SUSTAINABILITY (SICS), CERES HAS COORDINATED INVESTOR ENGAGEMENT WITH COMPANIES ON CLIMATE-CHANGE RELATED ISSUES, SUSTAINABILITY REPORTING, SUSTAINABLE GOVERNANCE, AND WATER SCARCITY WE ARE ENGAGING WITH NORTH AMERICAN STOCK EXCHANGES TO REQUIRE LISTED COMPANIES TO ADOPT SUSTAINABILITY REPORTING	

4b	(Code) (Expenses \$ 1,642,537 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 1,735,274)
SUSTAINABLE BUSINESSES CERES ADVANCES LARGE-SCALE CHANGE IN CORPORATE SUSTAINABILITY PERFORMANCE BY ENGAGING SENIOR LEADERSHIP OF COMPANIES IN KEY INDUSTRIES TO IMPLEMENT THE "21ST CENTURY CORPORATION CERES ROADMAP FOR SUSTAINABILITY," WHICH DEFINES BOTH THE PATH AND MEASURABLE OUTCOMES TO BE A TRULY SUSTAINABLE BUSINESS THIS ENGAGEMENT INCLUDES ORGANIZING STAKEHOLDER GROUPS DRAWN FROM CERES COALITION ORGANIZATIONS THESE STAKEHOLDER GROUPS PROVIDE INPUT ON COMPANY DISCLOSURE OF SUSTAINABILITY PERFORMANCE, STRATEGY, AND GOALS IN APRIL 2012 WE RELEASED "THE ROAD TO 2020 CORPORATE PROGRESS ON THE CERES ROADMAP FOR SUSTAINABILITY," WHICH ASSESSED PROGRESS MADE BY 600 LEADING US COMPANIES OVER 10,000 PEOPLE HAVE INTERACTED WITH THE REPORT THROUGH OUR ONLINE PLATFORM DURING THE NEXT THREE YEARS WE ARE PLACING SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON SUSTAINABILITY OF CORPORATE SUPPLY CHAINS	

4c	(Code) (Expenses \$ 2,659,464 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 496,563)
CLIMATE AND CLEAN ENERGY CERES PROMOTES LOW-CARBON BUSINESS, INVESTOR, AND POLICY SOLUTIONS TO DRIVE ECONOMIC GROWTH AND MITIGATE IMPACTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE THROUGH DIALOGUES WITH VARIOUS COMPANIES IN THE ELECTRIC POWER, INSURANCE, TRANSPORTATION, AND OIL & GAS INDUSTRIES CERES ALSO ADVOCATES FOR FEDERAL POLICIES AND REGULATIONS THAT WILL HELP BUILD A CLEAN ENERGY ECONOMY OUR BUSINESS FOR INNOVATIVE CLIMATE & ENERGY POLICY (BICEP) NETWORK CONSISTS OF 22 WELL-KNOWN CONSUMER BRANDS THAT ADVOCATE FOR STRONG STATE AND NATIONAL POLICIES ON GREENHOUSE GAS REDUCTIONS, ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND RENEWABLE ENERGY BICEP LETTERS OF SUPPORT WERE SUBMITTED TO PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND LEGISLATIVE BODIES CONCERNING CALIFORNIA LOW-CARBON FUEL STANDARDS, CALIFORNIA ADVANCED CLEAN CAR RULES, THE NATIONAL PRODUCTION TAX CREDIT FOR WIND ENERGY, AND EPA CARBON POLLUTION STANDARDS FOR NEW POWER PLANTS	






















	(Code) (Expenses \$ 917,032 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 135,929)
WATER CERES IS ENGAGED IN ADVANCING BUSINESS, INVESTOR, AND GOVERNMENT POLICIES AND PRACTICES THAT ENCOURAGE ADEQUATE CLEAN WATER SUPPLIES AND HEALTHY ECOSYSTEMS CERES WORKED WITH A RANGE OF INVESTORS, CORPORATE AND NGO STAKEHOLDERS TO PRODUCE THE CERES AQUA GAUGE, RELEASED IN OCTOBER OF 2011, A BENCHMARKING TOOL ENABLING INVESTORS TO ASSESS, SCORE AND COMPARE COMPANIES' WATER MANAGEMENT CERES IS WORKING TO MOBILIZE LARGE COMPANIES AND THEIR SUPPLIERS OPERATING IN HIGH-RISK WATERSHEDS TO DEVELOP STRATEGIES DESIGNED TO IMPROVE WATER MANAGEMENT THUS FAR, 10 CERES COMPANIES AND HAVE DEVELOPED NEW OR STRENGTHENED EXISTING WATER STRATEGIES	

4d	Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)
	(Expenses \$ 917,032 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 135,929)

4e	Total program service expenses \$ 6,443,337
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Part IV

Checklist of Required Schedules

		Yes	No
1	Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule A.</i> 	1	Yes
2	Is the organization required to complete <i>Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors</i> (see instructions)? 	2	Yes
3	Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I.</i> 	3	No
4	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II.</i> 	4	Yes
5	Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III.</i> 	5	No
6	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I.</i> 	6	No
7	Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas or historic structures? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II.</i> 	7	No
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III.</i> 	8	No
9	Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X, or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV.</i> 	9	No
10	Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V.</i> 	10	No
11	If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is 'Yes,' then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable		
a	Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI.</i> 	11a	Yes
b	Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII.</i> 	11b	Yes
c	Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII.</i> 	11c	No
d	Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX.</i> 	11d	No
e	Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X.</i> 	11e	No
f	Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X.</i> 	11f	Yes
12a	Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII.</i> 	12a	Yes
b	Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," and if the organization answered 'No' to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII is optional.</i> 	12b	No
13	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E.</i>	13	No
14a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	14a	Yes
b	Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part I.</i> 	14b	Yes
15	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or assistance to any organization or entity located outside the U S ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part II and IV.</i> 	15	No
16	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or assistance to individuals located outside the U S ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part III and IV.</i> 	16	No
17	Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000, of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I.</i>	17	No
18	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II.</i>	18	No
19	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III.</i>	19	No
20a	Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H.</i>	20a	No
b	If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach its audited financial statement to this return? Note. All Form 990 filers that operated one or more hospitals must attach audited financial statements	20b	

Part IV

Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

21	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i>	21		No
22	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>	22		No
23	Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, questions 3, 4, or 5, about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i>	23	Yes	
24a	Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer questions 24b-24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25</i>	24a		No
b	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b		
c	Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?	24c		
d	Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d		
25a	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>	25a		No
b	Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>	25b		No
26	Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highly compensated employee, or disqualified person outstanding as of the end of the organization's tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>	26		No
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor, or a grant selection committee member, or to a person related to such an individual? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>	27		No
28	Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties? (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions)			
a	A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28a		No
b	A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28b		No
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 owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28c		No
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	29		No
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	30		No
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>	31		No
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i>	32		No
33	Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i>	33		No
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1</i>	34		No
35a	Is any related organization a controlled entity of the filing organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35a		No
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)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>	35b		No
36	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>	36		No
37	Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i>	37		No
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	38	Yes	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance						
Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part V <input type="checkbox"/>						
		Yes	No			
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable. .	1a	35			
b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable.	1b	0			
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	1c	Yes			
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, <i>Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements</i> filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return. .	2a	85			
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions).	2b	Yes			
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	3a				No
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O.	3b				
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account or securities account)?	4a				No
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: _____ See instructions for filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.					
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5a				No
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5b				No
c	If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	5c				
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible?	6a				No
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	6b				
7	Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).					
a	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?	7a	Yes			
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7b	Yes			
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7c				No
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year.	7d				
e	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7e				No
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7f				No
g	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7g				
h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	7h				
8	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations. Did the supporting organization, or a donor advised fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	8				
9	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.					
a	Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?	9a				
b	Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	9b				
10	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter					
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12.	10a				
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities.	10b				
11	Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter					
a	Gross income from members or shareholders.	11a				
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them).	11b				
12a	Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12a				
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year.	12b				
13	Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.					
a	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? Note. All 501(c)(29) organizations must list in Schedule O each state in which they are licensed to issue qualified health plans, the amount of reserves required by each state, and the amount of reserves the organization allocated to each state.	13a				
b	Enter the aggregate amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans.	13b				
c	Enter the aggregate amount of reserves on hand.	13c				
14a	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14a				No
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O.	14b				

Part VI

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

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year		
1a	20		
b	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent	1b	19
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?	2	No
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?	3	No
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	4	No
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?	5	No
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders?	6	Yes
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?	7a	No
b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?	7b	No
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following		
a	The governing body?	8a	Yes
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	8b	Yes
9	Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O	9	No

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

		Yes	No
10a	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	10a	No
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?	10b	
11a	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	11a	Yes
b	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review the Form 990		
12a	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	12a	Yes
b	Were officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	12b	Yes
c	Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done	12c	Yes
13	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	13	Yes
14	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	14	Yes
15	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?		
a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	15a	Yes
b	Other officers or key employees of the organization	15b	Yes
	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?	16a	No
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?	16b	

Section C. Disclosure

17	List the States with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ▶ MA , NY , CA , AL , AK , AZ , AR , CO , CT , FL , GA , IL , KS , ME , MD , MI , MN , KY , MO , NH , NJ , NM , MS , OH , OK , OR , PA , NC , SC , TN , UT , VA , RI , WV , WI , WA , DC
18	Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c) (3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Own website <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Another's website <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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. See Additional Data Table.
20	State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization ▶ GABRIELA GOFF SR MGR FINANCE 99 CHAUNCY STREET 6TH FLOOR BOSTON,MA 021111703 (617) 247-0700

Part VII

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

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

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

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation, and **current** key employees Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, 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, or highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations

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

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organizations compensated any current or former 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			
(1) VIDETTE BULLOCK MIXON DIRECTOR	5 00	X						0	0	0
(2) NORM DEAN CO-CHAIR	5 00	X		X				0	0	0
(3) THOMAS DINAPOLI DIRECTOR	5 00	X						0	0	0
(4) JACK EHNES DIRECTOR	5 00	X						0	0	0
(5) MICHEL GELOBTER DIRECTOR	5 00	X						0	0	0
(6) NEVA GOODWIN DIRECTOR	5 00	X						0	0	0
(7) JULIE FGORTE PHD DIRECTOR	5 00	X						0	0	0
(8) ALISA GRAVITZ TREASURER	5 00	X		X				0	0	0
(9) ASHOK GUPTA DIRECTOR	5 00	X						0	0	0
(10) DOUG HUSID SECRETARY	5 00	X		X				0	0	0
(11) DENISE NAPIER DIRECTOR	5 00	X						0	0	0
(12) CARL POPE DIRECTOR	5 00	X						0	0	0
(13) JANET RANGANATHAN DIRECTOR	5 00	X						0	0	0
(14) PETER ROSENBLUM DIRECTOR	5 00	X						0	0	0
(15) TEDD SAUNDERS DIRECTOR	5 00	X						0	0	0
(16) BARNEY SCHAUBLE DIRECTOR	5 00	X						0	0	0
(17) DAMON SILVERS DIRECTOR	5 00	X						0	0	0

Part VII

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

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (describe hours for related organizations in Schedule O)	(C) Position (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			
(18) BILL SOMPLATSKY-JARMAN DIRECTOR	5 00	X						0	0	0
(19) ANNE STAUSBOLL CO-CHAIR	5 00	X		X				0	0	0
(20) MINDY LUBBER PRESIDENT	40 00	X		X				182,614	0	27,289
(21) LANCE PIERCE EXECUTIVE DIR /COO	40 00			X				140,391	0	18,288
(22) GORDON MACFARLAND CFO	40 00			X				104,752	0	19,430
(23) NANCY YANOFSKY DEVELOPMENT DIR	40 00					X		139,095	0	15,813
(24) PEYTON FLEMING DIR STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS	40 00					X		117,129	0	21,476
(25) CHRISTOPHER FOX CO-DIR POLICY PROGRAM	40 00					X		107,482	0	19,446
1b Sub-Total										
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A										
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)								791,463	0	121,742

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization6

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

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
DAVID GARDINER & ASSOCIATES 910 17TH ST NW SUITE 210 WASHINGTON, DC 20006	CONSULTING SERVICES	151,047
ASGK PUBLIC STRATEGIES LLC 730 NORTH FRANKLIN ST SUITE 404 CHICAGO, IL 60654	ADVERTISING PRODUCTION	150,820

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization2

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	4,686,932				
	g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$ _____						
	h	Total. Add lines 1a-1f		4,686,932				
Program Service Revenue			Business Code					
	2a	MEMBERSHIP DUES	900099	1,843,052	1,843,052			
	b	CONF FEES & SPONS	900099	570,620	570,620			
	c	FEE FOR SERVICE	541900	153,357	153,357			
	d							
	e							
	f	All other program service revenue						
	g	Total. Add lines 2a-2f		2,567,029				
Other Revenue	3	Investment income (including dividends, interest and other similar amounts)		32,009			32,009	
	4	Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds . .						
	5	Royalties						
	6a	Gross rents	(i) Real	(ii) Personal				
	b	Less rental expenses						
	c	Rental income or (loss)						
	d	Net rental income or (loss)						
	7a	Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other				
			6,857					
			7,306	5,566				
			-449	-5,566				
	d	Net gain or (loss)		-6,015			-6,015	
	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 . .						
	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 . .						
	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 . .							
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code						
11a	OTHER REVENUE	900099	184,781	184,781				
b								
c								
d	All other revenue							
e	Total. Add lines 11a-11d		184,781					
12	Total revenue. See Instructions		7,464,736	2,751,810	0	25,994		

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				
2	Grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States See Part IV, line 22				
3	Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the United States See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4	Benefits paid to or for members				
5	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	492,764	292,425	123,027	77,312
6	Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7	Other salaries and wages	3,559,241	2,889,344	247,573	422,324
8	Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)	138,702	110,033	12,508	16,161
9	Other employee benefits	520,057	412,563	46,899	60,595
10	Payroll taxes	321,205	254,814	28,966	37,425
11	Fees for services (non-employees)				
a	Management				
b	Legal	1,727		1,727	
c	Accounting	55,164		55,164	
d	Lobbying	25,282	25,282		
e	Professional fundraising See Part IV, line 17				
f	Investment management fees				
g	Other				
12	Advertising and promotion	185,667	185,667		
13	Office expenses	291,091	234,453	21,548	35,090
14	Information technology				
15	Royalties				
16	Occupancy	232,311	183,785	22,190	26,336
17	Travel	359,461	307,502	23,115	28,844
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19	Conferences, conventions, and meetings	394,888	365,962	5,833	23,093
20	Interest				
21	Payments to affiliates				
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	101,762	80,735	9,171	11,856
23	Insurance				
24	Other expenses Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24f If line 24f amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24f expenses on Schedule O)				
a	PROFESSIONAL FEES	1,087,725	1,028,789	4,195	54,741
b	PRINTING	84,868	71,983	329	12,556
c	BAD DEBT EXPENSE	58,325		58,325	
d					
e					
f	All other expenses				
25	Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f	7,910,240	6,443,337	660,570	806,333
26	Joint costs. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720) Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation				

Part X

Balance Sheet

						(A)		(B)
						Beginning of year		End of year
Assets	1	Cash—non-interest-bearing				793,482	1	1,465,044
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments				376,631	2	667,142
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net				3,064,860	3	2,012,407
	4	Accounts receivable, net				687,018	4	682,992
	5	Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees Complete Part II of Schedule L					5	
	6	Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) Complete Part II of Schedule L					6	
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net					7	
	8	Inventories for sale or use					8	
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges				108,511	9	154,916
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a	500,123				
	b	Less accumulated depreciation	10b	312,526	261,890	10c	187,597	
	11	Investments—publicly traded securities					11	
	12	Investments—other securities See Part IV, line 11				2,699,146	12	2,431,352
	13	Investments—program-related See Part IV, line 11					13	
	14	Intangible assets					14	
	15	Other assets See Part IV, line 11				12,683	15	12,683
	16	Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)				8,004,221	16	7,614,133
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses				669,690	17	488,381
	18	Grants payable					18	
	19	Deferred revenue				416,400	19	653,125
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities					20	
	21	Escrow or custodial account liability Complete Part IV of Schedule D					21	
	22	Payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons Complete Part II of Schedule L					22	
	23	Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties					23	
	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties					24	
	25	Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24) Complete Part X of Schedule D					25	
	26	Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25				1,086,090	26	1,141,506
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				1,945,440	27	2,270,026
	28	Temporarily restricted net assets				4,972,691	28	4,202,601
	29	Permanently restricted net assets					29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.							
	30	Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds					30	
	31	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund					31	
	32	Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds					32	
	33	Total net assets or fund balances				6,918,131	33	6,472,627
	34	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances				8,004,221	34	7,614,133

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	7,464,736
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	7,910,240
3	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-445,504
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	6,918,131
5	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	5	0
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	6,472,627

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

SCHEDULE A

(Form 990 or 990EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support

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

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

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Open to Public
Inspection

Name of the organization CERES INC	Employer identification number 22-3053747
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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

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

2

☐

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

3

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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

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An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety Se**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 the supported organization?

(ii)

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

(iii)

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

h

☐

Provide the following information about the supported organization(s)

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

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

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Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2011

Part II

Support Schedule for Organizations Described in IRC 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I 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.")	3,449,833	6,223,376	8,491,149	5,905,922	6,529,984	30,600,264
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	3,449,833	6,223,376	8,491,149	5,905,922	6,529,984	30,600,264
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						9,105,994
6 Public Support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						21,494,270

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	3,449,833	6,223,376	8,491,149	5,905,922	6,529,984	30,600,264
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	30,457	29,319	23,166	27,696	32,009	142,647
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income (Explain in Part IV) Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets						
11 Total support (Add lines 7 through 10)						30,742,911

12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc (See instructions)

125,043,150

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

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public Support Percentage for 2011 (line 6 column (f) divided by line 11 column (f))	14	69.920 %
15 Public Support Percentage for 2010 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	70.280 %

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

b 33 1/3% support test—2010. If the organization did not check the box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—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

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

18 Private Foundation If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a or 17b, check this box and see instructions

Part IIIPart III

Support Schedule for Organizations Described in IRC 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						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public Support (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						

Section B. Total Support						
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2007	(b) 2008	(c) 2009	(d) 2010	(e) 2011	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
13 Total support (Add lines 9, 10c, 11 and 12.)						
14 First Five Years If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage		
15 Public Support Percentage for 2011 (line 8 column (f) divided by line 13 column (f))	15	
16 Public support percentage from 2010 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage		
17 Investment income percentage for 2011 (line 10c column (f) divided by line 13 column (f))	17	
18 Investment income percentage from 2010 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	
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.** Supplemental Information. Complete this part to provide the explanation required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; or Part III, line 12. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions).

Facts And Circumstances Test

Explanation

Additional Data

Software ID:
Software Version:
EIN: 22-3053747
Name: CERES INC

Form 990, Special Condition Description:

Special Condition Description

Form 990, Part III - 4 Program Service Accomplishments (See the Instructions)

4d. Other program services
(Code) (Expenses \$ 917,032 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 135,929) WATER CERES IS ENGAGED IN ADVANCING BUSINESS, INVESTOR, AND GOVERNMENT POLICIES AND PRACTICES THAT ENCOURAGE ADEQUATE CLEAN WATER SUPPLIES AND HEALTHY ECOSYSTEMS CERES WORKED WITH A RANGE OF INVESTORS, CORPORATE AND NGO STAKEHOLDERS TO PRODUCE THE CERES AQUA GAUGE, RELEASED IN OCTOBER OF 2011, A BENCHMARKING TOOL ENABLING INVESTORS TO ASSESS, SCORE AND COMPARE COMPANIES' WATER MANAGEMENT CERES IS WORKING TO MOBILIZE LARGE COMPANIES AND THEIR SUPPLIERS OPERATING IN HIGH-RISK WATERSHEDS TO DEVELOP STRATEGIES DESIGNED TO IMPROVE WATER MANAGEMENT THUS FAR, 10 CERES COMPANIES AND HAVE DEVELOPED NEW OR STRENGTHENED EXISTING WATER STRATEGIES

SCHEDULE C
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527

▶ Complete if the organization is described below.
▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ See separate instructions.

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If the organization answered “Yes,” to Form 990, Part IV, Line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations Complete Parts I-A and B Do not complete Part I-C
- Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations Complete Parts I-A and C below Do not complete Part I-B
- Section 527 organizations Complete Part I-A only

If the organization answered “Yes,” to Form 990, Part IV, Line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)) Complete Part II-A Do not complete Part II-B
- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)) Complete Part II-B Do not complete Part II-A

If the organization answered “Yes,” to Form 990, Part IV, Line 5 (Proxy Tax) or Form 990-EZ, line 35c (Proxy Tax), then

- Section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations Complete Part III

Name of the organization CERES INC	Employer identification number 22-3053747
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Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.

- 1 Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office in Part IV
- 2 Political expenditures ▶ \$
- 3 Volunteer hours

Part I-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3).

- 1 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955 ▶ \$
- 2 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 ▶ \$
- 3 If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 4a Was a correction made? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- b If "Yes," describe in Part IV

Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) except section 501(c)(3).

- 1 Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$
- 2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt funtion activities ▶ \$
- 3 Total exempt function expenditures Add lines 1 and 2 Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b ▶ \$
- 4 Did the filing organization file Form 1120-POL for this year? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 5 Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization's funds Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC) If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV

(a) Name	(b) Address	(c) EIN	(d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds If none, enter -0-	(e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization If none, enter -0-

Part II-A

Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

- A

Check

☐

if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group (and list in Part IV each affiliated group member's name, address, EIN, expenses, and share of excess lobbying expenditures)
- B

Check

☐

if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)		(a) Filing Organization's Totals	(b) Affiliated Group Totals												
1a	Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)	0													
b	Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)	25,282													
c	Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)	25,282													
d	Other exempt purpose expenditures	7,078,625													
e	Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)	7,103,907													
f	Lobbying nontaxable amount Enter the amount from the following table in both columns	505,195													
<table><tr><td>If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</td><td>The lobbying nontaxable amount is:</td></tr><tr><td>Not over \$500,000</td><td>20% of the amount on line 1e</td></tr><tr><td>Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000</td><td>\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000</td></tr><tr><td>Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000</td><td>\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000</td></tr><tr><td>Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000</td><td>\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000</td></tr><tr><td>Over \$17,000,000</td><td>\$1,000,000</td></tr></table>		If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:	Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e	Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000	Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000	Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000	Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000		
If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:														
Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e														
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000														
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000														
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000														
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000														
g	Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)	126,299													
h	Subtract line 1g from line 1a If zero or less, enter -0-	0													
i	Subtract line 1f from line 1c If zero or less, enter -0-	0													
j	If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No													

4-Year Averaging Period Under Section 501(h)
(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below. See the instructions for lines 2a through 2f on page 4.)

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2008	(b) 2009	(c) 2010	(d) 2011	(e) Total
2a Lobbying non-taxable amount	375,959	467,829	478,695	505,195	1,827,678
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					2,741,517
c Total lobbying expenditures	20,000	95,158	11,683	25,282	152,123
d Grassroots non-taxable amount	93,990	116,957	119,674	126,299	456,920
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					685,380
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures	0	0	0	0	

Part II-B

Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and has NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

		(a)		(b)
		Yes	No	Amount
1	During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of			
a	Volunteers?			
b	Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?			
c	Media advertisements?			
d	Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?			
e	Publications, or published or broadcast statements?			
f	Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?			
g	Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?			
h	Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?			
i	Other activities? If "Yes," describe in Part IV			
j	Total lines 1c through 1i			
2a	Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?			
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
c	If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
d	If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

Part III-A

Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).

			Yes	No
1	Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?	1		
2	Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?	2		
3	Did the organization agree to carryover lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year?	3		

Part III-B

Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) if BOTH Part III-A, lines 1 and 2 are answered "No" OR if Part III-A, line 3 is answered "Yes".

1	Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	1	
2	Section 162(e) non-deductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).	2a	
a	Current year		
b	Carryover from last year		
c	Total		
3	Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues	3	
4	If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year?	4	
5	Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (see instructions)	5	

Part IV

Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1, Part I-B, line 4, Part I-C, line 5, and Part II-B, line 1i. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
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SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)

Supplemental Financial Statements

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Department of the Treasury
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▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b
▶ Attach to Form 990. ▶ See separate instructions.

Name of the organization
CERES INC

Employer identification number
22-3053747

Part I

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

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1	Total number at end of year	
2	Aggregate contributions to (during year)	
3	Aggregate grants from (during year)	
4	Aggregate value at end of year	
5	Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control?	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
6	Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds may be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

Part II

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

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply)
☐ Preservation of land for public use (e g , recreation or pleasure) ☐ Preservation of an historically importantly land area
☐ Protection of natural habitat ☐ Preservation of a certified historic structure
☐ Preservation of open space

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

	Held at the End of the Year
a	Total number of conservation easements
b	Total acreage restricted by conservation easements
c	Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)
d	Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Part III

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Part III

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

3

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

a

☐ Public exhibition

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
1c	
1d	
1e	
1f	

2a

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

☐ Yes

☐ No

b

If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV

Part V

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

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

2

Provide the estimated percentage of the year end balance held as

a

Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶

b

Permanent endowment ▶

c

Term endowment ▶

3a

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

(i)

unrelated organizations

3a(i)

Yes

No

(ii)

related organizations

3a(ii)

b

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

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				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements		81,075	43,208	37,867
d Equipment		419,048	269,318	149,730
e Other				
Total. Add lines 1a-1e (Column (d) should equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).) ▶				187,597

Part XI Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets from Form 990 to Financial Statements			
1	Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	7,464,736
2	Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	7,910,240
3	Excess or (deficit) for the year Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-445,504
4	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	4	
5	Donated services and use of facilities	5	
6	Investment expenses	6	
7	Prior period adjustments	7	
8	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	8	
9	Total adjustments (net) Add lines 4 - 8	9	
10	Excess or (deficit) for the year per financial statements Combine lines 3 and 9	10	-445,504

Part XII Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return			
1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	7,546,546
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12		
a	Net unrealized gains on investments	2a	
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	81,810
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	81,810
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	7,464,736
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	0
5	Total Revenue Add lines 3 and 4c. (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)	5	7,464,736

Part XIII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return			
1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	7,992,050
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	81,810
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Other losses	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	81,810
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	7,910,240
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	0
5	Total expenses Add lines 3 and 4c. (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)	5	7,910,240

Part XIV Supplemental Information

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

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
DESCRIPTION OF UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS UNDER FIN 48	PART X	CERES ACCOUNTS FOR THE EFFECT OF ANY UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS BASED ON A "MORE LIKELY THAN NOT" THRESHOLD TO THE RECOGNITION OF THE TAX POSITIONS BEING SUSTAINED BASED ON THE TECHNICAL MERITS OF THE POSITION UNDER SCRUTINY BY THE APPLICABLE TAXING AUTHORITY. IF A TAX POSITION OR POSITIONS ARE DEEMED TO RESULT IN UNCERTAINTIES OF THOSE POSITIONS, THE UNRECOGNIZED TAX BENEFIT IS ESTIMATED BASED ON A "CUMULATIVE PROBABILITY ASSESSMENT" THAT AGGREGATES THE ESTIMATED TAX LIABILITY FOR ALL UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS. INTEREST AND PENALTIES ASSESSED, IF ANY, ARE ACCRUED AS INCOME TAX EXPENSE. CERES HAS IDENTIFIED ITS TAX STATUS AS A TAX EXEMPT ENTITY AS ITS ONLY SIGNIFICANT TAX POSITION AND HAS DETERMINED THAT SUCH TAX POSITION DOES NOT RESULT IN AN UNCERTAINTY REQUIRING RECOGNITION. CERES IS NOT CURRENTLY UNDER EXAMINATION BY ANY TAXING JURISDICTION. ITS FEDERAL AND STATE INCOME TAX RETURNS ARE GENERALLY OPEN FOR EXAMINATION FOR THE PAST THREE YEARS FOLLOWING THE DATE OF FILING THE RELATED RETURN.

1

2 Enter total number of recipient organizations listed above that are recognized as charities by the foreign country, recognized as tax-exempt by the IRS, or for which the grantee or counsel has provided a section 501(c)(3) equivalency letter ► _____

3 Enter total number of other organizations or entities ► _____

Part III

[illegible]

Part IV Foreign Forms

- 1

Was the organization a U S transferor of property to a foreign corporation during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 926 (see instructions for Form 926)*

☐

Yes

☒

No
- 2

Did the organization have an interest in a foreign trust during the tax year? *If " Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 3520 and/or Form 3520-A. (see instructions for Forms 3520 and 3520-A)*

☐

Yes

☒

No
- 3

Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign corporation during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 5471, Information Return of U.S. Persons with respect to Certain Foreign Corporations. (see instructions for Form 5471)*

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Yes

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No
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Was the organization a direct or indirect shareholder of a passive foreign investment company or a qualified electing fund during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 8621, Return by a Shareholder of a Passive Foreign Investment Company or Qualified Electing Fund. (see instructions for Form 8621)*

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Yes

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No
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Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign partnership during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 8865, Return of U.S. Persons with respect to Certain Foreign Partnerships. (see instructions for Form 8865)*

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Yes

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No
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Did the organization have any operations in or related to any boycotting countries during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 5713, International Boycott Report (see instructions for Form 5713).*

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Yes

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No

Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the information (see instructions) required in Part I, line 2, and any additional information.

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Schedule J
(Form 990)

Compensation Information

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For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, question 23.

▶ Attach to Form 990. ▶ See separate instructions.

Name of the organization
CERES INC

Employer identification number
22-3053747

Part I

Questions Regarding Compensation

		Yes	No
1a	Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items		
	<div><div><input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use</div></div> <div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence</div></div> <div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Tax idemnification and gross-up payments</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees</div></div> <div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e g , maid, chauffeur, chef)</div></div>		
b	If any of the boxes in line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain	1b	
2	Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all officers, directors, trustees, and the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?	2	
3	Indicate which, if any, of the following the organization uses to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director Check all that apply		
	<div><div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract</div></div> <div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant</div><div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study</div></div> <div><div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations</div><div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee</div></div>		
4	During the year, did any person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a with respect to the filing organization or a related organization		
a	Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?	4a	No
b	Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?	4b	No
c	Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?	4c	No
	If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III		
	Only 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations only must complete lines 5-9.		
5	For persons listed in form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of		
a	The organization?	5a	No
b	Any related organization?	5b	No
	If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III		
6	For persons listed in form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of		
a	The organization?	6a	No
b	Any related organization?	6b	No
	If "Yes," to line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III		
7	For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III	7	Yes
8	Were any amounts reported in Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regs section 53 4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III	8	No
9	If "Yes" to line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53 4958-6(c)?	9	

Part II

Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use Schedule J-1 if additional space needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported in Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII.

Note. The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, columns (D) and (E) for that individual.

(A) Name		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation reported in prior Form 990 or Form 990-EZ
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
(1) MINDY LUBBER	(i)	182,614	0	0	7,147	20,142	209,903	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
(2) LANCE PIERCE	(i)	137,351	3,040	0	2,407	15,881	158,679	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
(3) NANCY YANOFSKY	(i)	139,095	0	0	5,422	10,391	154,908	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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	(ii)							

Part III **Supplemental Information**

Complete this part to provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8. Also complete this part for any additional information.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
	PART I, LINE 7	THE CEO, UPON A 90-DAY REVIEW OF NEW HIRE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/COO (START DATE 1/31/11), APPROVED A BONUS AS NOTED ON HIS OFFER LETTER.

SCHEDULE O

(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

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

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Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
	FORM 990, PART I, LINE 19	THE NEGATIVE CHANGE IN NET ASSETS IN 2010 AND 2011 IS OFFSET IN PART BY THE RECEIPT OF SEVERAL LARGE MULTIPLE YEAR GRANTS IN PRIOR YEARS, MUCH OF WHICH IS BEING RELEASED (EARNED) IN SUBSEQUENT YEARS

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
ORGANIZATION MISSION STATEMENT	FORM 990, PART III, LINE 1	CERES' MISSION IS MOBILIZING INVESTOR AND BUSINESS LEADERSHIP TO BUILD A THRIVING, SUSTAINABLE GLOBAL ECONOMY CERES IS KNOWN FOR ITS UNIQUE ABILITY TO BRING DIVERSE GROUPS TOGETHER TO FIND POSITIVE SOLUTIONS FOR COMPLEX ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL CHALLENGES FOR EXAMPLE, OVER THE PAST 10 YEARS CERES HAS CO-HOSTED FIVE INVESTOR SUMMITS AT THE UNITED NATIONS, DRAWING REPRESENTATIVES FROM U.S. AND INTERNATIONAL INVESTOR GROUPS TO EXAMINE EMERGING BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES FROM CLIMATE CHANGE AND RELATED MACRO ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS CERES INTRODUCED THE CONCEPT OF "CLIMATE RISK" TO WORLD BUSINESS LEADERS AND MOBILIZES ENGAGEMENT OF INVESTORS IN THIS EFFORT THROUGH THE INVESTOR NETWORK ON CLIMATE RISK IN 2010, CERES LAUNCHED "THE 21ST CENTURY CORPORATION: THE CERES ROADMAP FOR SUSTAINABILITY," A PROGRAM THAT LAYS OUT 20 KEY EXPECTATIONS RELATED TO GOVERNANCE, STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT, DISCLOSURE AND PERFORMANCE IN 1995 CERES HELPED FOUND THE GLOBAL REPORTING INITIATIVE, NOW THE DE-FACTO STANDARD FOR REPORTING ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL PERFORMANCE OF 2,500 COMPANIES WORLDWIDE

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 6	ALL MEMBERS HAVE EQUIVALENT POWER EXCEPT FOR CERTAIN MEMBERS WHO HAVE ROLES WITH THE BOARD SUCH AS THE CO-CHAIRS, TREASURER, AND SECRETARY. FOR EXAMPLE, THE TREASURER WOULD CONDUCT FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND OVERSEE THE FINANCES OF THE ORGANIZATION, WHILE THE SECRETARY'S ROLE WOULD BE TO SIGN ORGANIZATIONAL DOCUMENTS. ALL MEMBERS WOULD HAVE THE SAME POWER TO VOTE WHEN IT COMES DOWN TO ORGANIZATIONAL DECISIONS.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11	OUR ACCOUNTING AND AUDITING FIRM SENDS THE ORGANIZATION A QUESTIONNAIRE TO FILL OUT FOR PREPARING THE FORM 990 THIS QUESTIONNAIRE IS PREPARED AND REVIEWED BY THE FINANCE TEAM THEN, OUR ACCOUNTING AND AUDITING FIRM PREPARES THE 990, WITH THE INFORMATION GATHERED IN THE QUESTIONNAIRE PROVIDED BY THE FINANCE TEAM, AND SENDS A DRAFT TO THE ORGANIZATION THE SENIOR MANAGEMENT TEAM REVIEWS THIS AND EMAILS TO THE FULL BOARD FOR ITS REVIEW PRIOR TO ITS FILING THE AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETS WITH THE AUDITORS TO REVIEW AND ACCEPT THE 990 AFTERWARDS THE 990 IS FILED

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C	THE ORGANIZATION HAS A WRITTEN CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY AS PART OF THE BOARD TRAINING, WHEN JOINING THE CERES BOARD, THE NEW BOARD MEMBER IS PROVIDED WITH THE CERES BOARD POLICIES WHICH CONTAIN THE WRITTEN CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY IN THIS PACKAGE IS INCLUDED THE FORM "CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT (CIS)" WHERE THEY ARE REQUIRED TO DISCLOSE ANY CONFLICT OF INTEREST THAT MAY EXIST WITH THE ORGANIZATION ONCE A YEAR, THE BOARD MEMBERS COMPLETE THIS CIS FORM ALSO, AS PART OF THE GOVERNANCE COMPLIANCE THE BOARD MEMBERS ARE REQUIRED TO INFORM TO ANY OF THE BOARD CO-CHAIRS OF CERES ANY MATERIAL CHANGE THAT DEVELOPS DURING THE YEAR IN THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE FOREGOING STATEMENT

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15	THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD ANNUALLY REVIEWS AND APPROVES THE CEO'S COMPENSATION. A MEMBER OF THAT COMMITTEE GATHERS DATA FROM SALARY SURVEYS FROM COMPARABLE SIZED NONPROFITS AND BRINGS THAT INFORMATION BACK TO THE COMMITTEE FOR ITS DELIBERATIONS. THE COMMITTEE THEN DECIDES ON THE APPROPRIATE COMPENSATION LEVEL FOR THE COMING YEAR AND ANY BONUS WARRANTED FOR THE PRIOR YEAR. THIS IS THEN CONVEYED WITH A RECOMMENDATION TO THE FULL BOARD IN AN EXECUTIVE SESSION AND THE VOTE TAKEN TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDED COMPENSATION. THE CEO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ASSESSING THE APPROPRIATE LEVELS OF OTHER KEY EMPLOYEES. COMPENSATION IS BASED ON PERFORMANCE, LEVEL OF RESPONSIBILITY, COST OF LIVING FACTOR, INFLATION, AND TO SOME DEGREE THE NONPROFIT MARKET IN BOSTON (SALARY SURVEY STUDIES). THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD IS PROVIDED BY THE CEO A SUMMARY OF SALARIES PAID TO OFFICERS AND KEY EMPLOYEES(COO, CFO, AND DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR) OF COMPARABLE ORGANIZATIONS WITH DATA THAT WAS DRAWN FROM 990'S AND SALARY SURVEYS. THE AVERAGES ARE COMPARED TO PROPOSED SALARIES FOR EQUIVALENT CERES STAFF. THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ADVISES THE CEO IF THEY HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT ANY OF THE PROPOSED SALARY LEVELS.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19	THE FORM 990 AND ANNUAL REPORT ARE AVAILABLE AT HTTP://WWW CERES ORG/ABOUT-US/FINANCIALS THE ORGANIZATION PROVIDES COPIES OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND GOVERNING DOCUMENTS UPON REQUEST CERES' FORM 990 IS ALSO AVAILABLE VIA GUIDESTAR, AND THE MASSACHUSETTS ATTORNEY GENERAL'S WEBSITE