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Form **990-PF**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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

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

OMB No 1545-0052

2011

For calendar year 2011, or tax year beginning 01-01-2011 , and ending 12-31-2011

G Check all that apply

☐ Initial return

☐ Initial return of a former public charity

☐ Final return

☐ Amended return

☐ Address change

☐ Name change

Name of foundation
EQUITY RESIDENTIAL FOUNDATION

% ROBERT GARECHANA

Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address)
2 N RIVERSIDE PLAZA

City or town, state, and ZIP code
CHICAGO, IL 60606

A Employer identification number
36-4478772

B Telephone number (see page 10 of the instructions)
(312) 474-1300

C If exemption application is pending, check here ☐

D 1. Foreign organizations, check here ☐

2. Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation ☐

E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here ☐

F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here ☐

H Check type of organization

☒ Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation

☐ Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust

☐ Other taxable private foundation

I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col. (c), line 16)
\$ 3,607,954

J Accounting method

☐ Cash

☒ Accrual

☐ Other (specify) _____
(Part I, column (d) must be on cash basis.)

Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses (The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a) (see page 11 of the instructions))		(a) Revenue and expenses per books	(b) Net investment income	(c) Adjusted net income	(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)
Revenue	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, etc , received (attach schedule)	0			
	2 Check ☐ if the foundation is not required to attach Sch B				
	3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments				
	4 Dividends and interest from securities.	106,304	106,304		
	5a Gross rents				
	b Net rental income or (loss) _____				
	6a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10	111,355			
	b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a <u>1,274,958</u>				
	7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)		111,355		
	8 Net short-term capital gain				
	9 Income modifications				
	10a Gross sales less returns and allowances				
Operating and Administrative Expenses	b Less Cost of goods sold				
	c Gross profit or (loss) (attach schedule)				
	11 Other income (attach schedule)				
	12 Total. Add lines 1 through 11	217,659	217,659		
	13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc	0			
	14 Other employee salaries and wages				
	15 Pension plans, employee benefits				
	16a Legal fees (attach schedule).				
	b Accounting fees (attach schedule).	450	0	0	450
	c Other professional fees (attach schedule)	15,058	15,058	0	0
	17 Interest				
	18 Taxes (attach schedule) (see page 14 of the instructions)	5,109	1,509	0	0
	19 Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion				
	20 Occupancy				
	21 Travel, conferences, and meetings				
	22 Printing and publications				
	23 Other expenses (attach schedule).	25	0	0	25
	24 Total operating and administrative expenses.				
	Add lines 13 through 23	20,642	16,567	0	475
	25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid	161,647			231,647
	26 Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25	182,289	16,567	0	232,122
	27 Subtract line 26 from line 12				
	a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	35,370			
	b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)		201,092		
	c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)				

Part II Balance Sheets		Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only (See instructions)	Beginning of year	End of year	
			(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value
Assets	1	Cash—non-interest-bearing			
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments	132,473	126,199	126,199
	3	Accounts receivable ▶ _____ Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ _____			
	4	Pledges receivable ▶ _____ Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ _____			
	5	Grants receivable			
	6	Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons (attach schedule) (see page 15 of the instructions)			
	7	Other notes and loans receivable (attach schedule) ▶ _____ Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ _____			
	8	Inventories for sale or use			
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges			
	10a	Investments—U S and state government obligations (attach schedule)			
	b	Investments—corporate stock (attach schedule)	1,774,348	1,781,472	2,047,837
	c	Investments—corporate bonds (attach schedule).	1,417,375	1,383,368	1,431,750
	11	Investments—land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ _____ Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶ _____			
	12	Investments—mortgage loans			
	13	Investments—other (attach schedule)			
	14	Land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ _____ Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶ _____			
	15	Other assets (describe ▶ _____)	3,641	2,168	2,168
	16	Total assets (to be completed by all filers—see the instructions Also, see page 1, item I)	3,327,837	3,293,207	3,607,954

Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses			
	18	Grants payable	200,000	130,000	
	19	Deferred revenue			
	20	Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons			
	21	Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule)			
	22	Other liabilities (describe ▶ _____)			
	23	Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)	200,000	130,000	

Net Assets or Fund Balances	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ ☒ and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.				
	24	Unrestricted	2,927,837	3,033,207	
	25	Temporarily restricted	200,000	130,000	
	26	Permanently restricted			
	Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ ☐ and complete lines 27 through 31.				
	27	Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds			
	28	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg , and equipment fund			
	29	Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds			
	30	Total net assets or fund balances (see page 17 of the instructions)	3,127,837	3,163,207	
	31	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances (see page 17 of the instructions)	3,327,837	3,293,207	

Part III Analysis of Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances

1	Total net assets or fund balances at beginning of year—Part II, column (a), line 30 (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year’s return)	1	3,127,837
2	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	35,370
3	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ _____	3	
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	3,163,207
5	Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ _____	5	
6	Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5)—Part II, column (b), line 30	6	3,163,207

Part IV Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income

(a) List and describe the kind(s) of property sold (e g , real estate, 2-story brick warehouse, or common stock, 200 shs MLC Co)		(b) How acquired P—Purchase D—Donation	(c) Date acquired (mo , day, yr)	(d) Date sold (mo , day, yr)
1 a	TOTAL SHORT-TERM CAPITAL GAIN / (LOSS)	P		
b	TOTAL LONG-TERM CAPITAL GAIN / (LOSS)	P		
c				
d				
e				

(e) Gross sales price	(f) Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	(g) Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	(h) Gain or (loss) (e) plus (f) minus (g)
a 111,659		123,955	-12,296
b 1,122,250		1,039,648	82,602
c			
d			
e			

Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69			(l) Gains (Col (h) gain minus col (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col (h))
(i) F M V as of 12/31/69	(j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess of col (i) over col (j), if any	
a			-12,296
b			82,602
c			
d			
e			

2	Capital gain net income or (net capital loss)	{ If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7 If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7 }	2	111,355
3	Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6) If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c) (see pages 13 and 17 of the instructions) If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8		3	

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

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

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

Was the foundation liable for the section 4942 tax on the distributable amount of any year in the base period? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," the foundation does not qualify under section 4940(e) Do not complete this part

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

(a) Base period years Calendar year (or tax year beginning in)	(b) Adjusted qualifying distributions	(c) Net value of noncharitable-use assets	(d) Distribution ratio (col (b) divided by col (c))
2010	203,725	3,595,097	0 056667
2009	189,725	3,324,752	0 057064
2008	210,275	3,951,689	0 053211
2007	263,664	4,514,021	0 05841
2006	264,521	4,186,311	0 063187

2	Total of line 1, column (d).	2	0 288539
3	Average distribution ratio for the 5-year base period—divide the total on line 2 by 5, or by the number of years the foundation has been in existence if less than 5 years	3	0 057708
4	Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2011 from Part X, line 5.	4	3,756,305
5	Multiply line 4 by line 3.	5	216,769
6	Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b).	6	2,011
7	Add lines 5 and 6.	7	218,780
8	Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4.	8	232,122

If line 8 is equal to or greater than line 7, check the box in Part VI, line 1b, and complete that part using a 1% tax rate See the Part VI instructions on page 18

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

1a		Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here ☐ and enter "N/A" on line 1			
		Date of ruling or determination letter _____ (attach copy of letter if necessary—see instructions)			
b		Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here ☒ and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b		1	2,011
c		All other domestic foundations enter 2% of line 27b Exempt foreign organizations enter 4% of Part I, line 12, col (b)			
2		Tax under section 511 (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only Others enter -0-)		2	
3		Add lines 1 and 2.		3	2,011
4		Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only Others enter -0-)		4	
5		Tax based on investment income. Subtract line 4 from line 3 If zero or less, enter -0-		5	2,011
6		Credits/Payments			
a	2011 estimated tax payments and 2010 overpayment credited to 2011	6a	3,259		
b	Exempt foreign organizations—tax withheld at source	6b			
c	Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868)	6c	450		
d	Backup withholding erroneously withheld	6d			
7		Total credits and payments Add lines 6a through 6d.		7	3,709
8		Enter any penalty for underpayment of estimated tax Check here ☐ if Form 2220 is attached		8	
9		Tax due. If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter amount owed		9	
10		Overpayment. If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the amount overpaid.		10	1,698
11		Enter the amount of line 10 to be Credited to 2012 estimated tax 1,698 Refunded		11	

Part VII-AStatements Regarding Activities

1a	During the tax year, did the foundation attempt to influence any national, state, or local legislation or did it participate or intervene in any political campaign? ☒		Yes	No
	1a			No
b	Did it spend more than \$100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes (see page 19 of the instructions for definition)?			No
	1b			No
If the answer is "Yes" to 1a or 1b, attach a detailed description of the activities and copies of any materials published or distributed by the foundation in connection with the activities.				
c	Did the foundation file Form 1120-POL for this year?	1c		No
d	Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year (1) On the foundation \$ (2) On foundation managers \$			
e	Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers \$			
2	Has the foundation engaged in any activities that have not previously been reported to the IRS?	2		No
If "Yes," attach a detailed description of the activities.				
3	Has the foundation made any changes, not previously reported to the IRS, in its governing instrument, articles of incorporation, or bylaws, or other similar instruments? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes ☒	3		No
4a	Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	4a		No
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?	4b		
5	Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year?	5		No
If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T. ☒				
6	Are the requirements of section 508(e) (relating to sections 4941 through 4945) satisfied either • By language in the governing instrument, or • By state legislation that effectively amends the governing instrument so that no mandatory directions that conflict with the state law remain in the governing instrument?	6	Yes	
7	Did the foundation have at least \$5,000 in assets at any time during the year? If "Yes," complete Part II, col (c), and Part XV	7	Yes	
8a	Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see page 19 of the instructions) ☒ IL			
b	If the answer is "Yes" to line 7, has the foundation furnished a copy of Form 990-PF to the Attorney General (or designate) of each state as required by General Instruction G? If "No," attach explanation .	8b	Yes	
9	Is the foundation claiming status as a private operating foundation within the meaning of section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5) for calendar year 2011 or the taxable year beginning in 2011 (see instructions for Part XIV on page 27)? If "Yes," complete Part XIV	9		No
10	Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses	10		No

Part VII-A

Statements Regarding Activities *(continued)*

11	At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule (see page 20 of the instructions).	11		No			
12	Did the foundation acquire a direct or indirect interest in any applicable insurance contract before August 17, 2008?	12		No			
13	Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address ▶N/A	13	Yes				
14	The books are in care of ▶ROBERT GARECHANA Telephone no ▶(312) 474-1300 Located at ▶2 N RIVERSIDE PLAZA SUITE 450 CHICAGO IL ZIP +4 ▶60606						
15	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of Form 1041 —Check here ▶ ☐ and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year ▶ <table><tr><td>15</td><td></td></tr></table>	15					
15							
16	At any time during calendar year 2011, did the foundation have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a bank, securities, or other financial account in a foreign country?	16	<table><tr><td>Yes</td><td>No</td></tr></table>	Yes	No	<table><tr><td>No</td></tr></table>	No
Yes	No						
No							
See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1 If "Yes", enter the name of the foreign country ▶							

Part VII-B

Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required

File Form 4720 if any item is checked in the "Yes" column, unless an exception applies.			Yes	No
1a	During the year did the foundation (either directly or indirectly) (1) Engage in the sale or exchange, or leasing of property with a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No (2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person?. ☐ Yes ☒ No (3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No (4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No (5) Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)?. ☐ Yes ☒ No (6) Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (Exception. Check "No" if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days). ☐ Yes ☒ No			
b	If any answer is "Yes" to 1a(1)–(6), did any of the acts fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4941(d)-3 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see page 20 of the instructions)?. . . Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here. ▶ ☐	1b		
c	Did the foundation engage in a prior year in any of the acts described in 1a, other than excepted acts, that were not corrected before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2011?.	1c		No
2	Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5))			
a	At the end of tax year 2011, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2011?. ☐ Yes ☒ No If "Yes," list the years ▶ 20____, 20____, 20____, 20____			
b	Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is not applying the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) (relating to incorrect valuation of assets) to the year's undistributed income? (If applying section 4942(a)(2) to all years listed, answer "No" and attach statement—see page 20 of the instructions).	2b		
c	If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to any of the years listed in 2a, list the years here ▶ 20____, 20____, 20____, 20____			
3a	Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year?. ☐ Yes ☒ No			
b	If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2011 as a result of (1) any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969, (2) the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest, or (3) the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? (<i>Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2011.</i>).	3b		
4a	Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?	4a		No
b	Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2011?	4b		No

Part VII-B

Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required (continued)

5a	During the year did the foundation pay or incur any amount to			
	(1) Carry on propaganda, or otherwise attempt to influence legislation (section 4945(e))?	☐ Yes	☒ No	
	(2) Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955), or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive?	☐ Yes	☒ No	
	(3) Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes?	☐ Yes	☒ No	
	(4) Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc , organization described in section 509(a)(1), (2), or (3), or section 4940(d)(2)? (see page 22 of the instructions).	☐ Yes	☒ No	
	(5) Provide for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals?	☐ Yes	☒ No	
b	If any answer is "Yes" to 5a(1)–(5), did any of the transactions fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4945 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see page 22 of the instructions)? Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here.	5b		
c	If the answer is "Yes" to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant? <i>If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945–5(d).</i>			
6a	Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?			
b	Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? <i>If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870.</i>	6b		No
7a	At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?			
b	If yes, did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction?	7b		No

Part VIII

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

1 List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation (see page 22 of the instructions).				
(a) Name and address	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
See Additional Data Table				
2 Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1—see page 23 of the instructions). If none, enter "NONE."				
(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000.				

Part VIII

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

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

(a) Name and address of each person paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services.		

Part IX-A

Summary of Direct Charitable Activities

List the foundation's four largest direct charitable activities during the tax year. Include relevant statistical information such as the number of organizations and other beneficiaries served, conferences convened, research papers produced, etc.

	Expenses
1	
2	
3	
4	

Part IX-B

Summary of Program-Related Investments (see page 23 of the instructions)

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

Part X

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

1	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc , purposes		
a	Average monthly fair market value of securities.	1a	3,625,635
b	Average of monthly cash balances.	1b	187,873
c	Fair market value of all other assets (see page 24 of the instructions).	1c	0
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c).	1d	3,813,508
e	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation).	1e	
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets.	2	0
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d.	3	3,813,508
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see page 25 of the instructions).	4	57,203
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3 Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	3,756,305
6	Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5.	6	187,815

Part XI

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

1	Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6.	1	187,815
2a	Tax on investment income for 2011 from Part VI, line 5.	2a	2,011
b	Income tax for 2011 (This does not include the tax from Part VI).	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b.	2c	2,011
3	Distributable amount before adjustments Subtract line 2c from line 1.	3	185,804
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions.	4	
5	Add lines 3 and 4.	5	185,804
6	Deduction from distributable amount (see page 25 of the instructions).	6	
7	Distributable amount as adjusted Subtract line 6 from line 5 Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1.	7	185,804

Part XII

Qualifying Distributions (see page 25 of the instructions)

1	Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc , purposes		
a	Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc —total from Part I, column (d), line 26.	1a	232,122
b	Program-related investments—total from Part IX-B.	1b	0
2	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc , purposes.	2	0
3	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the		
a	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required).	3a	0
b	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule).	3b	0
4	Qualifying distributions. Add lines 1a through 3b Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4	4	232,122
5	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b (see page 26 of the instructions).	5	2,011
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4.	6	230,111
Note: The amount on line 6 will be used in Part V, column (b), in subsequent years when calculating whether the foundation qualifies for the section 4940(e) reduction of tax in those years			

Part XIII

Undistributed Income (see page 26 of the instructions)

		(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2010	(c) 2010	(d) 2011
1	Distributable amount for 2011 from Part XI, line 7				185,804
2	Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2011				
a	Enter amount for 2010 only.			0	
b	Total for prior years 2009 , 2008 , 2007				
3	Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2011				
a	From 2006.				58,787
b	From 2007.				42,529
c	From 2008.				14,706
d	From 2009.				25,663
e	From 2010.				28,158
f	Total of lines 3a through e.	169,843			
4	Qualifying distributions for 2011 from Part XII, line 4 ▶ \$ 232,122				
a	Applied to 2010, but not more than line 2a			0	
b	Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required—see page 26 of the instructions)				
c	Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required—see page 26 of the instructions). . .				
d	Applied to 2011 distributable amount.				185,804
e	Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	46,318			
5	Excess distributions carryover applied to 2011 (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a).)				
6	Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
a	Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e Subtract line 5	216,161			
b	Prior years' undistributed income Subtract line 4b from line 2b.				
c	Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed.				
d	Subtract line 6c from line 6b Taxable amount—see page 27 of the instructions . . .				
e	Undistributed income for 2010 Subtract line 4a from line 2a Taxable amount—see page 27 of the instructions			0	
f	Undistributed income for 2011 Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1 This amount must be distributed in 2011				0
7	Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3) (see page 27 of the instructions).				
8	Excess distributions carryover from 2006 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see page 27 of the instructions).	58,787			
9	Excess distributions carryover to 2012. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a	157,374			
10	Analysis of line 9				
a	Excess from 2007. . . .				42,529
b	Excess from 2008. . . .				14,706
c	Excess from 2009. . . .				25,663
d	Excess from 2010. . . .				28,158
e	Excess from 2011. . . .				46,318

Part XIV

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

1a

If the foundation has received a ruling or determination letter that it is a private operating foundation, and the ruling is effective for 2011, enter the date of the ruling.

b

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

☐ 4942(j)(3) or ☐ 4942(j)(5)

2a	Enter the lesser of the adjusted net income from Part I or the minimum investment return from Part X for each year listed.	Tax year	Prior 3 years			(e) Total
		(a) 2011	(b) 2010	(c) 2009	(d) 2008	
b	85% of line 2a					
c	Qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 for each year listed.					
d	Amounts included in line 2c not used directly for active conduct of exempt activities.					
e	Qualifying distributions made directly for active conduct of exempt activities. Subtract line 2d from line 2c.					
3	Complete 3a, b, or c for the alternative test relied upon					
a	"Assets" alternative test—enter					
	(1) Value of all assets					
	(2) Value of assets qualifying under section 4942(j)(3)(B)(i)					
b	"Endowment" alternative test— enter 2/3 of minimum investment return shown in Part X, line 6 for each year listed.					
c	"Support" alternative test—enter					
	(1) Total support other than gross investment income (interest, dividends, rents, payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), or royalties).					
	(2) Support from general public and 5 or more exempt organizations as provided in section 4942(j)(3)(B)(iii).					
	(3) Largest amount of support from an exempt organization					
	(4) Gross investment income					

Part XV

Supplementary Information (Complete this part only if the organization had \$5,000 or more in assets at any time during the year—see page 27 of the instructions.)

1

Information Regarding Foundation Managers:

a

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

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b

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

NONE

2

Information Regarding Contribution, Grant, Gift, Loan, Scholarship, etc., Programs:

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

a

The name, address, and telephone number of the person to whom applications should be addressed

b

The form in which applications should be submitted and information and materials they should include

c

Any submission deadlines

d

Any restrictions or limitations on awards, such as by geographical areas, charitable fields, kinds of institutions, or other factors

Part XV

Supplementary Information (continued)

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

Recipient	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
Name and address (home or business)				
a <i>Paid during the year</i> See Additional Data Table				
Total			 3a	231,647
b <i>Approved for future payment</i> MERCY HOUSING 1999 BROADWAY Suite 1000 Denver, CO 80202	N/A	509(a)(2)	GENERAL - UNRESTRICTED	100,000
Virginia Tech Foundation Inc 254 Wallance Hall Blacksburg, VA 24061	N/A	170(b)(1)(A) (vi)	general - unrestricted	30,000
Total			 3b	130,000

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated	Unrelated business income		Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514		(e) Related or exempt function income (See page 28 of the instructions)
	(a) Business code	(b) Amount	(c) Exclusion code	(d) Amount	
1 Program service revenue					
a _____					
b _____					
c _____					
d _____					
e _____					
f _____					
g Fees and contracts from government agencies					
2 Membership dues and assessments. . . .					
3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments					
4 Dividends and interest from securities. . . .			14	106,304	
5 Net rental income or (loss) from real estate					
a Debt-financed property.					
b Not debt-financed property.					
6 Net rental income or (loss) from personal property					
7 Other investment income.					
8 Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory			18	111,355	
9 Net income or (loss) from special events					
10 Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory. .					
11 Other revenue a _____					
b _____					
c _____					
d _____					
e _____					
12 Subtotal. Add columns (b), (d), and (e). .				217,659	
13 Total. Add line 12, columns (b), (d), and (e).					217,659

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Part XVII

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Additional Data

Software ID:
Software Version:
EIN: 36-4478772
Name: EQUITY RESIDENTIAL FOUNDATION

Form 990PF - Special Condition Description:

Special Condition Description

Form 990PF Part VIII Line 1 - List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation

(a) Name and address	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
Samuel Zell	Director 1 0	0	0	0
2 N RIVERSIDE PLAZA CHICAGO,IL 60606				
David J Neithercut	President 1 0	0	0	0
2 N RIVERSIDE PLAZA CHICAGO,IL 60606				
Bruce C Strohm	Vice President 1 0	0	0	0
2 N RIVERSIDE PLAZA CHICAGO,IL 60606				
Marty McKenna	Vice President 1 0	0	0	0
2 N RIVERSIDE PLAZA CHICAGO,IL 60606				
Robert Garechana	Treasurer 1 0	0	0	0
2 N RIVERSIDE PLAZA CHICAGO,IL 60606				
Michael Gast	Vice President 1 0	0	0	0
2 N RIVERSIDE PLAZA CHICAGO,IL 60606				
Michelle La Pelle	Asst Secretary 1 0	0	0	0
2 N RIVERSIDE PLAZA CHICAGO,IL 60606				

Form 990PF Part XV Line 3 - Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment

Recipient	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
Name and address (home or business)				
a Paid during the year				
Greater Chicago Food Depository 4100 W Ann Lurie Place Chicago,IL 60632	N/A	509(a)(1)	Contribution to support families seeking emergency food	8,647
American Red Cross2025 E Street NW Washington,DC 20006	N/A	170(b)(1)(A)(vi)	general - unrestricted	5,000
Nettelhorst Community Group3252 N Broadway Street Chicago,IL 60657	N/A	509(a)(2)	general - unrestricted	1,000
The Marsh1062 Valencia Street San Francisco,CA 941102427	N/A	509(a)(2)	general - unrestricted	10,000
DePaul University1 East Jackson Blvd Chicago,IL 60604	N/A	170(b)(1)(A)(ii)	general - unrestricted	10,000
O ver The Rainbow Association2040 Brown Avenue Evanston,IL 60201	N/A	170(b)(1)(A)(vi)	Contribution to support housing for the physically disabled	51,500
City of Hope55 Hawthorne Street St 450 San Francisco,CA 94105	N/A	170(b)(1)(A)(vi)	general - unrestricted	15,000
Chicago Cares300 W Adams Chicago,IL 60606	N/A	170(b)(1)(A)(vi)	general - unrestricted	10,000
Mercy Housing1999 Broadway Suite 1000 Denver,CO 80203	N/A	509(a)(2)	Contribution to develop affordable homes for those in need	100,000
Robert H Lurie Comprehensive Cancer Center750 N Lake Shore Drive Chicago,IL 606113078	N/A	509(a)(1)	general - unrestricted	5,000
PSIS 276 Parent Teacher Association Inc55 Battery Park New York,NY 10280	N/A	501(c)(3)	general - unrestricted	2,500
Virginia Tech Foundation Inc254 Wallance Hall Blacksburg,VA 24061	N/A	170(b)(1)(A)(vi)	general - unrestricted	10,000
New York City Police Foundation345 Park Avenue New York,NY 101540004	N/A	170(b)(1)(A)(vi)	general - unrestricted	3,000
Total  3a				231,647

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Name and address (home or business)				
b <i>Approved for future payment</i>				
MERCY HOUSING1999 BROADWAY Suite 1000 Denver,CO 80202	N/A	509(a)(2)	GENERAL - UNRESTRICTED	100,000
Virginia Tech Foundation Inc254 Wallance Hall Blacksburg,VA 24061	N/A	170(b)(1)(A) (vi)	general - unrestricted	30,000
Total ▶ 3b				130,000

TY 2011 Accounting Fees Schedule

Name: EQUITY RESIDENTIAL FOUNDATION

EIN: 36-4478772

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
PROFESSIONAL REVIEW - 990-PF	450			450

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TY 2011 Depreciation Schedule

Name: EQUITY RESIDENTIAL FOUNDATION

EIN: 36-4478772

Description of Property	Date Acquired	Cost or Other Basis	Prior Years' Depreciation	Computation Method	Rate / Life (# of years)	Current Year's Depreciation Expense	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Cost of Goods Sold Not Included
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**TY 2011 Investments Corporate
Bonds Schedule****Name:** EQUITY RESIDENTIAL FOUNDATION**EIN:** 36-4478772

Name of Bond	End of Year Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
KIMBERLY CLARK CORP	50,369	53,343
MFB NORTHERN FDS FIXED INCOME	832,487	857,191
MFB NORTHERN HIGH YIELD FIXED	431,970	451,895
MFB NORTHERN SHORT INTERMEDIA	0	0
MFC ISHARES TR BARCLAYS TIPS	0	0
MFC FLEXSHARES TR IBOXX 3 YR	34,230	34,432
MFC FLEXSHARES TR IBOXX 5 YR	34,312	34,889

**TY 2011 Investments Corporate
Stock Schedule**

Name: EQUITY RESIDENTIAL FOUNDATION
EIN: 36-4478772

Name of Stock	End of Year Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
ABBOTT LABORATORIES	7,927	10,684
ALTERA CORP	5,775	9,090
AMAZON COM INC	14,957	16,618
AMERICAN EXPRESS	18,713	18,632
APPLE INC	18,535	40,905
BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY	0	0
BRISTOL MYERS	17,595	20,792
CHEVRON CORP	18,997	26,706
CISCO SYS INC	0	0
CITRIX SYS INC	14,214	15,241
COLGATE-PALMOLIVE CO	0	0
COCA COLA	21,842	22,041
CONOCOPHILLIPS	10,964	12,752
COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP	15,501	19,580
COVIDIEN PLC	11,262	11,703
CUMMINS INC	0	0
DANAHER CORP	16,951	25,402
DOMINION RES INC	15,144	18,047
DU PONT E I DE NEMOURS & CO	17,586	19,685
EATON CORP	16,111	13,277
EMC CORP	17,455	18,094
EMERSON ELECTRIC CO	0	0
EXXON MOBIL CORP	24,211	33,480
FED EX CORP	0	0
FRANKLIN RES INC	18,378	15,081
GENERAL ELEC CO	13,292	15,671
GOOGLE INC	16,373	23,252
GRAINGER	8,988	14,039
HJ HEINZ	13,819	15,672
IBM	19,091	31,260

Name of Stock	End of Year Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
JOHNSON & JOHNSON	7,733	8,853
JOHNSON CONTROLS INC	10,929	11,723
JPMORGAN CHASE & CO	18,290	18,953
JUNIPER NETWORKS INC	0	0
LOWES COS INC	0	0
MCDONALD CORP	13,221	15,551
MCKESSON CORP	16,495	19,867
MEDCO HEALTH SOLUTIONS INC	0	0
MICROSOFT CORP	0	0
NATIONAL OILWELL VARCO	10,299	16,318
NIKE INC	8,250	11,179
NOBLE ENERGY INC	7,318	10,855
NORTFOLK SOUTH	16,871	18,215
OMNICOM GROUP	15,399	15,157
ORACLE CORPORATION	21,046	19,622
PEPSICO INC	0	0
PRECISION CASTPARTS CORP	9,513	9,228
PROCTER & GAMBLE CO	18,520	21,347
QUALCOMM INC	19,091	19,966
SALESFORCE COM INC	14,187	13,494
SCHLUMBERGER LTD	16,528	12,501
SIMON PROPERTY GROUP INC	16,420	22,049
SPECTRA ENERGY CORP	15,226	25,215
STARWOOD HOTELS & RESORTS	0	0
TRAVELERS COS INC	9,714	10,651
UNITED TECHNOLOGIES CORP	8,281	10,964
UNITED HEALTH GROUP INC	14,493	21,032
US BANCORP	13,536	16,501
V.F. CORP	18,595	22,096
VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS COM	9,642	10,431

Name of Stock	End of Year Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
WALMART STORES INC	8,764	10,757
WALT DISNEY CO	10,048	12,188
WELLS FARGO & CO NEW	14,525	19,292
PRINCIPAL FINL GROUP INC	15,772	13,161
WHOLE FOODS MKT INC	13,219	19,830
AUTODESK INC	9,595	7,279
BHP BILLITON LTD	11,483	12,007
SUNCOR INC	0	0
NOVARTIS	13,458	14,007
TEVA PHARMACEUTICAL INDS	0	0
MFB NORTHERN MULTI-MANAGER MID	93,535	97,500
MFB NORTHERN FUNDS SMALL CAP	50,207	49,482
MFB NORTHERN MULTI-MANAGER SM	49,165	48,361
MFB MULTI-MANAGER INTL EQUITY	294,797	328,513
MFB MULTI-MNGR EMERGING MKTS	223,215	232,513
MFB MULTI-MGR GLOBAL REAL ESTA	87,768	103,908
MFC FLEXSHRES TR MORNINGSTAR	29,837	31,283
MFC SPDR GOLD TR	124,523	172,356
MFO PIMCO FDS PAC INVT	28,283	25,928

TY 2011 Land, Etc. Schedule

Name: EQUITY RESIDENTIAL FOUNDATION

EIN: 36-4478772

Category / Item	Cost / Other Basis	Accumulated Depreciation	Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
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TY 2011 Other Assets Schedule**Name:** EQUITY RESIDENTIAL FOUNDATION**EIN:** 36-4478772

Description	Beginning of Year - Book Value	End of Year - Book Value	End of Year - Fair Market Value
INTEREST RECEIVABLE	947	1,091	1,091
DIVIDEND RECEIVABLE	2,694	1,077	1,077

TY 2011 Other Expenses Schedule

Name: EQUITY RESIDENTIAL FOUNDATION

EIN: 36-4478772

Description	Revenue and Expenses per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
STATE FILING FEES	25	0	0	25

TY 2011 Other Professional Fees Schedule**Name:** EQUITY RESIDENTIAL FOUNDATION**EIN:** 36-4478772

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
NORTHERN TRUST INVESTMENT FEES	15,058	15,058	0	0

TY 2011 Taxes Schedule**Name:** EQUITY RESIDENTIAL FOUNDATION**EIN:** 36-4478772

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
FOREIGN TAX EXPENSE	1,509	1,509	0	0
INVESTMENT INCOME EXCISE TAX	3,600	0	0	0