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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Return of Private Foundation**
or Section 4947(a)(1) Nonexempt Charitable Trust
Treated as a Private Foundation

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OMB No. 1545-0052

2012

Open to Public Inspection

For calendar year 2012 or tax year beginning

, 2012, and ending

, 20

Name of foundation THE RUTH FOUNDATION		A Employer identification number 11-3507688
Number and street (or P.O. box number if mail is not delivered to street address) 136-20 38TH AVENUE	Room/suite 11D	B Telephone number (see instructions) (718) 321-7000
City or town, state, and ZIP code FLUSHING, NEW YORK 11354		C If exemption application is pending, check here <input type="checkbox"/>
G Check all that apply: <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return of a former public charity <input type="checkbox"/> Final return <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change		D 1. Foreign organizations, check here <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation <input type="checkbox"/> E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here <input type="checkbox"/> F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here <input type="checkbox"/>
H Check type of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation <input type="checkbox"/> Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust <input type="checkbox"/> Other taxable private foundation		
I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col. (c), line 16) \$ 36,983 J Accounting method: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> 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 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)	134,796			
	2 Check <input type="checkbox"/> if the foundation is not required to attach Sch. B				
	3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	11	11		
	4 Dividends and interest from securities				
	5a Gross rents				
	b Net rental income or (loss)				
	6a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10				
	b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a				
	7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)				
	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	134,807	11	N/A	
	13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc.				
	14 Other employee salaries and wages				
	15 Pension plans, employee benefits				
	16a Legal fees (attach schedule)	3,300	660		2,640
	b Accounting fees (attach schedule)				
	c Other professional fees (attach schedule)	75	15		60
	17 Interest				
	18 Taxes (attach schedule) (see instructions)	3	1		2
	19 Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion				
	20 Occupancy				
	21 Travel, conferences, and meetings				
	22 Printing and publications				
	23 Other expenses (attach schedule)	25	5		20
	24 Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23	3,403	681		2,722
	25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid	124,065			124,065
	26 Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25	127,468	681		126,787
	27 Subtract line 26 from line 12:				
	a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	7,439			
	b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)		0		
	c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)			N/A	

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Part II Balance Sheets		Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only (See instructions)		
		Beginning of year	End of year	
		(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	29,544	36,983	36,983
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments			
	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 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)			
	c Investments—corporate bonds (attach schedule)			
	11 Investments—land, buildings, and equipment: basis ▶			
Liabilities	Less: accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶			
	12 Investments—mortgage loans			
	13 Investments—other (attach schedule)			
	14 Land, buildings, and equipment: basis ▶			
	Less: accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶			
	15 Other assets (describe ▶)			
	16 Total assets (to be completed by all filers—see the instructions. Also, see page 1, item I)	29,544	36,983	36,983
	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses			
	18 Grants payable			
	19 Deferred revenue			
Net Assets or Fund Balances	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)	29,544	36,983	
	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>			
	and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.			
	24 Unrestricted			
	25 Temporarily restricted			
	26 Permanently restricted			
	Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
	and complete lines 27 through 31.			
Net Assets or Fund Balances	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	29,544	36,983	
	30 Total net assets or fund balances (see instructions)	29,544	36,983	
	31 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances (see instructions)	29,544	36,983	

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	29,544
2 Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	7,439
3 Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	3	0
4 Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	36,983
5 Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	5	0
6 Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5)—Part II, column (b), line 30	6	36,983

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.)
1a	N/A			
b				
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			
b			
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) FMV as of 12/31/69	(j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess of col. (i) over col. (j), if any	
a			
b			
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	
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 instructions). If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8 }	3	0

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.

(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))
2011	154,705	23,677	6.53398
2010	164,160	16,929	9.69696969696
2009	74,274	6,240	11.8985576923
2008	183,468	10,807	16.9767743129
2007	161,673	12,518	12.915242

2 Total of line 1, column (d)	2	58.0215
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	11.6043
4 Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2012 from Part X, line 5	4	18,651
5 Multiply line 4 by line 3	5	216,432
6 Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)	6	0
7 Add lines 5 and 6	7	216,432
8 Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 If line 8 is equal to or greater than line 7, check the box in Part VI, line 1b, and complete that part using a 1% tax rate. See the Part VI instructions.	8	126,787

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

1a	Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and enter "N/A" on line 1. Date of ruling or determination letter: _____ (attach copy of letter if necessary—see instructions)			
b	Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b	1		0
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		
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		0
6	Credits/Payments:			
a	2012 estimated tax payments and 2011 overpayment credited to 2012	6a		
b	Exempt foreign organizations—tax withheld at source	6b		
c	Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868)	6c		
d	Backup withholding erroneously withheld	6d		3
7	Total credits and payments. Add lines 6a through 6d	7		3
8	Enter any penalty for underpayment of estimated tax. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> 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		3
11	Enter the amount of line 10 to be: Credited to 2013 estimated tax Refunded	11		3

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities

	Yes	No
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?		✓
b Did it spend more than \$100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes (see Instructions for the definition)? <i>If the answer is "Yes" to 1a or 1b, attach a detailed description of the activities and copies of any materials published or distributed by the foundation in connection with the activities.</i>		✓
c Did the foundation file Form 1120-POL for this year?		✓
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? <i>If "Yes," attach a detailed description of the activities.</i>		✓
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? <i>If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes.</i>		✓
4a Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?		✓
b If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?		
5 Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year? <i>If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T.</i>		✓
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?	✓	
7 Did the foundation have at least \$5,000 in assets at any time during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Part II, col. (c), and Part XV</i>	✓	
8a Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see instructions) ▶		
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? <i>If "No," attach explanation.</i>	✓	
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 2012 or the taxable year beginning in 2012 (see instructions for Part XIV)? <i>If "Yes," complete Part XIV.</i>		✓
10 Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses.</i>	✓	

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 instructions)	11		✓
12	Did the foundation make a distribution to a donor advised fund over which the foundation or a disqualified person had advisory privileges? If "Yes," attach statement (see instructions)	12		✓
13	Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address ▶ NONE	13	✓	
14	The books are in care of ▶ LAI WAH FUNG Telephone no. ▶ (718) 321-7000 Located at ▶ 136-20 38TH AVENUE, SUITE 11D, FLUSHING, NEW YORK ZIP+4 ▶ 11354-5307			
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 ▶ 15			
16	At any time during calendar year 2012, did the foundation have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a bank, securities, or other financial account in a foreign country? See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1. If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶	16	Yes	No
				✓

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? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
(2)	Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
(3)	Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
(4)	Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
(5)	Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
(6)	Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (Exception. Check "No" if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days.) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
b	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 instructions)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	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 2012?	1c	✓
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 2012, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2012? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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 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? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
b	If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2012 as a result of (1) any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969; (2) the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest; or (3) the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2012.)	3b	
4a	Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?	4a	✓
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 2012?	4b	✓

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 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 instructions)? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here ☒
- c** If the answer is "Yes" to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945–5(d).*
- 6a** Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- b** Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870.*
- 7a** At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- b** If "Yes," did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction? ☐ Yes ☒ No

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 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
LAI WAH FUNG ----- 136-20 38th Avenue, Suite 11D, Flushing, NY 11354	President, 4 hrs	0	0	0
ALISON G. FUNG ----- 136-20 38th Avenue, Suite 11D, Flushing, NY 11354	VP, Secy-Trst.4 hrs	0	0	0
STEPHEN G. FUNG ----- 136-20 38th Avenue, Suite 11D, Flushing, NY 11354	Director, 2 hrs	0	0	0
ROBERT C. LEE ----- 136-20 38th Avenue, Suite 11D, Flushing, NY 11354	Director, 2 hrs	0	0	0

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

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
NONE				
Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000				0

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 instructions). If none, enter "NONE."

(a) Name and address of each person paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		
Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services		0

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 N/A	
2	
3	
4	

Part IX-B Summary of Program-Related Investments (see instructions)

Describe the two largest program-related investments made by the foundation during the tax year on lines 1 and 2	Amount
1 N/A	
2	
All other program-related investments See instructions	
3	
Total. Add lines 1 through 3	0

Part X Minimum Investment Return (All domestic foundations must complete this part. Foreign foundations, see 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	0
b	Average of monthly cash balances	1b	18,935
c	Fair market value of all other assets (see instructions)	1c	
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c)	1d	18,935
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	
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	18,935
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1 1/2 % of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	4	284
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	18,651
6	Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5	6	933

Part XI Distributable Amount (see 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	933
2a	Tax on investment income for 2012 from Part VI, line 5	2a	
b	Income tax for 2012. (This does not include the tax from Part VI.)	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b	2c	0
3	Distributable amount before adjustments. Subtract line 2c from line 1	3	933
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions	4	
5	Add lines 3 and 4	5	933
6	Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions)	6	
7	Distributable amount as adjusted. Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1	7	933

Part XII Qualifying Distributions (see 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	126,787
b	Program-related investments—total from Part IX-B	1b	
2	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes	2	
3	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the:		
a	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required)	3a	
b	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule)	3b	
4	Qualifying distributions. Add lines 1a through 3b. Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4	4	126,787
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 instructions)	5	0
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4	6	126,787

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 instructions)

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2011	(c) 2011	(d) 2012
1 Distributable amount for 2012 from Part XI, line 7				933
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2012:				
a Enter amount for 2011 only			0	
b Total for prior years: 20____, 20____, 20____		0		
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2012:				
a From 2007	161,047			
b From 2008	182,928			
c From 2009	73,935			
d From 2010	163,314			
e From 2011	153,521			
f Total of lines 3a through e	734,745			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2012 from Part XII, line 4: ► \$ 126,787				
a Applied to 2011, but not more than line 2a			0	
b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required—see instructions)		0		
c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required—see instructions)	0			
d Applied to 2012 distributable amount				933
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	125,854			
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2012 (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a).)	0			0
6 Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
a Corpus. Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e. Subtract line 5	860,599			
b Prior years' undistributed income. Subtract line 4b from line 2b		0		
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		0		
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b. Taxable amount—see instructions		0		
e Undistributed income for 2011. Subtract line 4a from line 2a. Taxable amount—see instructions			0	
f Undistributed income for 2012. Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1. This amount must be distributed in 2013				0
7 Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3) (see instructions)	0			
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2007 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see instructions)	161,047			
9 Excess distributions carryover to 2013. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a	699,552			
10 Analysis of line 9:				
a Excess from 2008	182,928			
b Excess from 2009	73,935			
c Excess from 2010	163,314			
d Excess from 2011	153,521			
e Excess from 2012	125,854			

Part XIV Private Operating Foundations (see 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 2012, enter the date of the ruling **N/A**

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

	Tax year	Prior 3 years			(e) Total
	(a) 2012	(b) 2011	(c) 2010	(d) 2009	
2a Enter the lesser of the adjusted net income from Part I or the minimum investment return from Part X for each year listed					
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 foundation had \$5,000 or more in assets at any time during the year—see instructions.)**1 Information Regarding Foundation Managers:**

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

See Attachment

- 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.

N/A

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 instructions) to individuals or organizations under other conditions, complete items 2a, b, c, and d.

- a** The name, address, and telephone number or e-mail of the person to whom applications should be addressed:

N/A

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

N/A

- c** Any submission deadlines:

N/A

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

N/A

Part XVI-A Analysis of Income-Producing Activities

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated.

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated.		Unrelated business income		Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514		(e) Related or exempt function income (See 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			14	11	
4	Dividends and interest from securities					
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					
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)				11	
13	Total. Add line 12, columns (b), (d), and (e)				13	11

(See worksheet in line 13 instructions to verify calculations.)

Part XVI-B Relationship of Activities to the Accomplishment of Exempt Purposes

[illegible]

1 Did the organization directly or indirectly engage in any of the following with any other organization described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3) organizations) or in section 527, relating to political organizations?

	Yes	No
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- (1) Cash

1a(1)		✓
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- (2) Other assets**

1a(2)		✓
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- (1) Sales of assets to a noncharitable exempt organization**

1b(1)		✓
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- (2) Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization**

1b(2)		✓
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- (3) Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets**

1b(3)		✓
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- (4) Reimbursement arrangements**

1b(4)		✓
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- (5) Loans or loan guarantees

1b(5)		✓
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- (6) Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations

1b(6)		✓
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- c** Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees

1c		✓
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- d** If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," complete the following schedule. Column **(b)** should always show the fair market value of the goods, other assets, or services given by the reporting foundation. If the foundation received less than fair market value in any transaction or sharing arrangement, show in column **(d)** the value of the goods, other assets, or services received.

[illegible]

- 2a** Is the foundation directly or indirectly affiliated with, or related to, one or more tax-exempt organizations described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3)) or in section 527? ☐ Yes ☒ No

- b** If "Yes," complete the following schedule.

(a) Name of organization	(b) Type of organization	(c) Description of relationship

**Sign
Here**

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 taxpayer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Signature of officer or trustee

8/13/13

Secretary-Treasurer

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

**Paid
Preparer
Use Only**

Print/Type preparer's name

Preparer's signature

Date _____

Check ☒ if self-employed

PTIN

Phoebe H. Chiu

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Firm's name ▶ **Phoebe H. Chiu & Associates, PLLC**

Firm's EIN ► 11-3549982

Firm's address ▶ 87-08 Justice Avenue, Suite 2H, Elmhurst, New York 11373

Phone no (718) 701-5511

Schedule of Contributors

OMB No 1545-0047

2012

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

Name of the organization

Employer identification number

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Organization type (check one):

Filers of:

Section:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

☐ 501(c)() (enter number) organization

☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation

☐ 527 political organization

Form 990-PF

☒ 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation

☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation

☐ 501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

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

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

General Rule

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

Special Rules

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

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

Name of organization

Employer identification number

Part I Contributors (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	Eglisau Estates Ltd. 136-20 38th Avenue, Suite 11D Flushing, New York 11354	\$ 70,000	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
2	Eglisau Estate Family, LP 136-20 38th Avenue, Suite 11D Flushing, New York 11354	\$ 51,796	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
3	Alison G. Fung 192 Prospect Avenue Hackensack, New Jersey 07601	\$ 13,000	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
		\$	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
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PART I, LINE 1 – Contributions Received

Total contribution/gift of \$110,000 , the dates and amounts deposited into the Foundation's Citibank Account No. 95901927 are as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
01/31	\$500
02/13	\$10,000
03/12	500
04/09	10,000
05/14	10,000
06/07	10,000
06/11	2,000
07/02	10,000
07/24	10,000
09/11	10,000
09/20	27,000
10/18	10,000
12/20	<u>24,796</u>
Total	\$134,796

PART I, LINE 16a – Legal Fees

Paid to Phoebe H. Chiu & Associates, PLLC, check No. 1509	\$3,300
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PART I, LINE 16c – Other Professional Fees

Citibank Account No. 95901927 fees & charges	\$75
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PART I, Line 18 – Taxes

Tax withheld by Citibank	\$3
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PART I, Line 23 – Other Expenses

New York State Attorney General – annual filing	\$25
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PART VII-A, LINE 10 – Persons Becoming Substantial Contributors During the Tax Year

1. Eglisau Estates Ltd.
c/o Alison G. Fung
136-20 38th Avenue, Suite 11D
Flushing, New York 11354

Ownership of Eglisau Estates Ltd. is as follows:

80% - Lai Wah Fung, president/director of the Foundation
10% - Alison G. Fung, vice president, secretary-treasurer/director of the Foundation
10% - Stephen G. Fung, director of the Foundation

2. Eglisau Estates Family LP
c/o Alison G. Fung
136-20 38th Avenue, Suite 11D
Flushing, New York 11354

Ownership of Eglisau Estates Family, LP is as follows:

100% - Lai Wah Fung, president/director of the Foundation

PART XV, LINE 1a – Foundation Managers Contributed More Than 2•% of Total Contribution Received

Eglisau Estates Ltd., the primary contributor of the Foundation's fund, is owned by the following individuals:

Lai Wah Fung, president and director of the Foundation
Alison G. Fung, vice president, secretary-treasurer, and director of the Foundation.
Stephen G. Fung, director of the Foundation

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PART XV, LINE 3a – Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year

Recipient Name & Address (Check No. & Amount)	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
American Cancer Society New York, New York (1504 - \$2,000)	N/A	Public	For general support	\$2,000
American Heart Association New York, New York (1461 - \$1,000)	N/A	Public	For general support	\$1,000
Back to God Ministries International 6555 West College Drive Palos Heights, Illinois 60463 (1453 - \$500 1501 - \$700)	N/A	Public	For general support	\$1,200
Celestial Love Foundation, Inc. 401 Broadway, Suite 1000 New York, New York 10013 (1466 - \$1,000)	N/A	Public	For general support	\$1,000
Chinatown Health Clinic Foundation 268 Canal Steet New York, New York 10013 (1458 - \$10,000)	N/A	Public	For general support	\$10,000
Chinatown Partnership Local Development Corporation 60 St. James Place New York, New York 10038 (1505 - \$10,000)	N/A	Public	For general support	\$10,000
Chinese-American Planning Council 150 Elizabeth Street New York, New York 100112 (1506 - \$2,000)	N/A	Public	For general support	\$2,000
Cornell University Ithaca, New York (1450 - \$5,000)	N/A	Public	For general support	\$5,000

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Church of Living Grace Morristown, New Jersey (1454 - \$10,000)	N/A	Public	For church building fund	\$10,000
Federation of Chinese American and Chinese Canadian Medical Societies New York, New York (1460 - \$10,000)	N/A	Public	For general support	\$10,000
Garden of Hope P.O. box 520048 Flushing, New York 11352 (1508 - \$10,000)	N/A	Public	For general support	\$10,000
Horace Mann School 231 West 246 th Street Riverdale, NY 10471 (1502 - \$1,125)	N/A	Public	For Scholarship Fund	\$1,125
New York Chinese School 62 Mott Street New York, New York 10013 (1459 - \$5,000)	N/A	Public	For Scholarship Fund	\$5,000
Joy Partner International P.O. Box 757 Chino Hills, California 91709 (1462 - \$1,000)	N/A	Public	For China mission	\$1,000
NYU Downtown Hospital 170 William Street New York, NY 10038 (1455 - \$3,700, 1463 - \$20,000 1510 - \$26,500)	N/A	Public	For "Chinese Community Partnership for Health" program and for emergency room	\$50,200
One Family Fund 1029 Teaneck Road, Suite 3B Teaneck, New Jersey 07666 (1449 - \$540)	N/A	Public	For general support	\$540
Open Door Senior Center New York, New York 10003 (1465 - \$1,000)	N/A	Public	For general support	\$1,000
United Hospital Fund Empire State Building 350 Fifth Avenue, 23 rd Fl. New York, NY 10118 (1503 - \$3,000)	N/A	Public	For general support	\$3,000
TOTAL				\$124,065