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

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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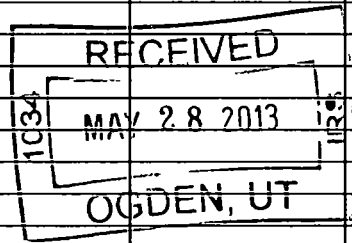
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For calendar year 2012 or tax year beginning , and ending

Name of foundation RIESTER CONSERVATION FOUNDATION		ORIGINAL	A Employer identification number 86-1033524
Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address) 802 NORTH 3RD AVENUE		Room/suite	B Telephone number (see instructions) 602-462-2261
City or town, state, and ZIP code PHOENIX AZ 85003		C If exemption application is pending, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	
G Check all that apply: <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return, <input type="checkbox"/> Final return, <input type="checkbox"/> Address change, <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return of a former public charity, <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return, <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"/>	
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		E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here <input type="checkbox"/>	
I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col (c), line 16) \$ 36,639	J Accounting method: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual, <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here <input type="checkbox"/>	

SCANNED MAY 28 2013 Revenue

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)
1 Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., received (attach schedule)	35,800			
2 Check <input type="checkbox"/> if the foundation is not required to attach Sch B				
3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	95	95	95	
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)		0		
8 Net short-term capital gain			0	
9 Income modifications				
10a Gross sales less returns and allowances				
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	35,895	95	95	
13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc	0			
14 Other employee salaries and wages	3,920			3,920
15 Pension plans, employee benefits				
16a Legal fees (attach schedule)				
b Accounting fees (attach schedule) STMT 1	886			886
c Other professional fees (attach schedule)				
17 Interest				
18 Taxes (attach schedule) (see instructions) STMT 2	337			337
19 Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion STMT 3	1,028			
20 Occupancy				
21 Travel, conferences, and meetings				
22 Printing and publications				
23 Other expenses (att. sch) STMT 4	2,053			2,053
24 Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23	8,224	0	0	7,196
25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid	11,500			11,500
26 Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25	19,724	0	0	18,696
27 Subtract line 26 from line 12				
a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	16,171			
b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)		95		
c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)			95	



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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			20,463	35,368	35,368
	2. Savings and temporary cash investments					
	3. Accounts receivable ▶	500				
	Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶				500	500
	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 (att. schedule) ▶					
	Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶	0				
	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 ▶					
Less: accumulated depreciation (attach sch.) ▶						
12. Investments – mortgage loans						
13. Investments – other (attach schedule)						
14. Land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶	1,799					
Less: accumulated depreciation (attach sch.) ▶ STMT 5	1,028				771	
15. Other assets (describe ▶)						
16. Total assets (to be completed by all filers – see the instructions. Also, see page 1, item I)				20,463	36,639	36,639
Liabilities	17. Accounts payable and accrued expenses				5	
	18. Grants payable					
	19. Deferred revenue					
	20. Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons					
	21. Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule)					
	22. Other liabilities (describe ▶)					
	23. Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)				0	5
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31. ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					
	24. Unrestricted			20,463	36,634	
	25. Temporarily restricted					
	26. Permanently restricted					
	Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here and complete lines 27 through 31. ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>					
	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 instructions)				20,463	36,634	
31. Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances (see instructions)				20,463	36,639	

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	20,463
2. Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	16,171
3. Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	3	
4. Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	36,634
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	36,634

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

(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	(l) Gains (Col (h) gain minus col (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col (h))
a			
b			
c			
d			
e			

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

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 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))
2011	16,984	20,995	0.808955
2010			
2009			
2008			
2007			

2 Total of line 1, column (d)	2	0.808955
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	0.808955
4 Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2012 from Part X, line 5	4	28,748
5 Multiply line 4 by line 3	5	23,256
6 Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)	6	1
7 Add lines 5 and 6	7	23,257
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	18,696

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	2
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	0
3	Add lines 1 and 2	3	2
4	Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only Others enter -0-)	4	0
5	Tax based on investment income. Subtract line 4 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-	5	2
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	
7	Total credits and payments Add lines 6a through 6d	7	
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	2
10	Overpayment. If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the amount overpaid	10	
11	Enter the amount of line 10 to be Credited to 2013 estimated tax Refunded	11	

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities

	Yes	No
1a		X
b		X
c		X
d		
e		
2		X
3		X
4a		X
b		
5		X
6	X	
7	X	
8a		
b	X	
9		X
10		X

N/A

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		X
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		X
13	Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address ► N/A	13	X	
14	The books are in care of ► THE RIESTER CORPORATION 802 NORTH 3RD AVENUE Located at ► PHOENIX AZ Telephone no ► 602-462-2261 ZIP+4 ► 85003			
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		<input type="checkbox"/>
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 X

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)? Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here ► <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	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? N/A	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? If "Yes," list the years ► 20 , 20 , 20 , 20 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
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) N/A	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.) N/A	3b	
4a	Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?	4a	X
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	X

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)? **N/A** **5b**

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? **N/A** 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? **6b** Yes No **X**

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? **N/A** **7b**

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

1 List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation (see instructions).

(a) Name and address	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (if not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
SEE STATEMENT 6				

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 ▶

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 SEE STATEMENT 7	11,500
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	
3 All other program-related investments. See instructions.	

Total. Add lines 1 through 3 ▶

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	27,915
c	Fair market value of all other assets (see instructions)	1c	1,271
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c)	1d	29,186
e	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation)	1e	0
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets	2	0
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	29,186
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1½% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	4	438
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	28,748
6	Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5	6	1,437

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	1,437
2a	Tax on investment income for 2012 from Part VI, line 5	2a	2
b	Income tax for 2012 (This does not include the tax from Part VI)	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b	2c	2
3	Distributable amount before adjustments. Subtract line 2c from line 1	3	1,435
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions	4	
5	Add lines 3 and 4	5	1,435
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	1,435

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	18,696
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	18,696
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	18,696

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				1,435
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2012				
a Enter amount for 2011 only				
b Total for prior years 20____, 20____, 20____				
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2012				
a From 2007				
b From 2008				
c From 2009				
d From 2010				
e From 2011				15,937
f Total of lines 3a through e	15,937			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2012 from Part XII, line 4 ▶ \$ 18,696				
a Applied to 2011, but not more than line 2a				
b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required – see instructions)				
c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required – see instructions)				
d Applied to 2012 distributable amount				1,435
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	17,261			
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2012 (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	33,198			
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 instructions				
e Undistributed income for 2011. Subtract line 4a from line 2a. Taxable amount – see instructions				
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)				
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2007 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see instructions)				
9 Excess distributions carryover to 2013. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a	33,198			
10 Analysis of line 9				
a Excess from 2008				
b Excess from 2009				
c Excess from 2010				
d Excess from 2011	15,937			
e Excess from 2012	17,261			

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 ▶

b Check box to indicate whether the foundation is a private operating foundation described in section 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				(e) Total
	(a) 2012	(b) 2011	(c) 2010	(d) 2009	
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))
N/A

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
GARY KAASA 602-462-2261
802 NORTH 3RD AVENUE PHOENIX AZ 85003

b The form in which applications should be submitted and information and materials they should include
THE PURPOSE OF THE CONTRIBUTION OR GRANT AND AMOUNT.

c Any submission deadlines
NONE.

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

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 Paid during the year NATIONAL AUDUBON 225 VARICK ST, 7TH FLOOR NEW YORK NY 10014				2,000
SOUTHERN MAYA PROJECT FOR ARCHEOLOG 45 E MONTEREY WAY PHOENIX AZ 85012				2,500
PRETOMA COSTA RICA				7,000
Total			▶ 3a	11,500
b Approved for future payment N/A				
Total			▶ 3b	

Schedule of Contributors

2012

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

Name of the organization RIESTER CONSERVATION FOUNDATION	Employer identification number 86-1033524
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Organization type (check one)

- | | |
|--------------------|---|
| Filers of: | Section: |
| Form 990 or 990-EZ | <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c)() (enter number) organization |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust not treated as a private foundation |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> 527 political organization |
| Form 990-PF | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> 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 33¹/₃ % 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 RIESTER CONSERVATION FOUNDATION	Employer identification number 86-1033524
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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	RIESTER SONORAN LLC 802 NORTH THIRD AVENUE PHOENIX AZ 85003	\$ 35,000	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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Federal Statements

Statement 1 - Form 990-PF, Part I, Line 16b - Accounting Fees

Description	Total	Net Investment	Adjusted Net	Charitable Purpose
INDIRECT ACCOUNTING FEES	\$ 886	\$	\$	\$ 886
TOTAL	\$ 886	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 886

Statement 2 - Form 990-PF, Part I, Line 18 - Taxes

Description	Total	Net Investment	Adjusted Net	Charitable Purpose
CALIFORNIA FRANCHISE FEE	\$ 30	\$	\$	\$ 30
CALIFORNIA CORPORATION REGISTRAT	304			304
TAXES	3			3
TOTAL	\$ 337	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 337

Statement 3 - Form 990-PF, Part I, Line 19 - Depreciation

Date Acquired	Description	Cost Basis	Prior Year Depreciation	Method	Life	Current Year Depreciation	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income
6/30/12	CAMERA EQUIPMENT	\$ 1,799	\$	200DB	7	\$ 1,028	\$	\$
TOTAL		\$ 1,799	\$ 0			\$ 1,028	\$ 0	\$ 0

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Statement 4 - Form 990-PF, Part I, Line 23 - Other Expenses

Description	Total	Net Investment	Adjusted Net	Charitable Purpose
EXPENSES	\$	\$	\$	\$
BANK CHARGES	253			253
LANDSCAPING	1,800			1,800
TOTAL	<u>2,053</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,053</u>

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Statement 5 - Form 990-PF, Part II, Line 14 - Land, Building, and Equipment

Description	Beginning Net Book	End Cost / Basis	End Accumulated Depreciation	Net FMV
TOTAL	\$ 0	\$ 1,799	\$ 1,028	\$ 771
	\$ 0	\$ 1,799	\$ 1,028	\$ 771

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Statement 6 - Form 990-PF, Part VIII, Line 1 - List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Etc.

Name and Address	Title	Average Hours	Compensation	Benefits	Expenses
GARY KAASA 802 NORTH 3RD AVENUE PHOENIX AZ 85003	PRESIDENT	0.50	0	0	0
TOM ORTEGA 802 NORTH 3RD AVENUE PHOENIX AZ 85003	VICE PRES.	0.50	0	0	0
MICHAEL HOPKINS 802 NORTH 3RD AVENUE PHOENIX AZ 85003	DIRECTOR	0.50	0	0	0
JOHN LINDSAY 802 NORTH 3RD AVENUE PHOENIX AZ 85003	SECRETARY	0.50	0	0	0
TIM RIESTER 802 NORTH 3RD AVENUE PHOENIX AZ 85003	DIRECTOR	0.50	0	0	0
MIRJA RIESTER 802 NORTH 3RD AVENUE PHOENIX AZ 85003	CHAIR	0.50	0	0	0

Statement 7 - Form 990-PF, Part IX-A, Line 1 - Summary of Direct Charitable ActivitiesDescription

PROTECT AND PRESERVE THE ENVIRONMENT, INCLUDING FUNDING EFFORTS BY OTHERS TO DO SO, AND TO ACQUIRE, OWN AND PRESERVE REAL PROPERTY AND CONSERVATION EASEMENTS ON LANDS WHICH SUPPORT HABITATS CRITICAL TO LIFE, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO RAIN FORESTS, IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN BIO-DIVERSITY IN BOTH PLANTS AND ANIMALS. IN ADDITION TO PRESERVING THE LAND, THE CORPORATION WILL ALSO DEVELOP SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC ALTERNATIVES FOR INDIGENOUS PEOPLES TO AVOID RESOURCE DEPLETION AND WILL MAKE THE LAND AVAILABLE FOR SCIENTIFIC AND EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES.
3 CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS WERE SERVED DURING 2012.

Form 990-PF, Part XV, Line 2b - Application Format and Required Contents

Description

THE PURPOSE OF THE CONTRIBUTION OR GRANT AND AMOUNT.

Form 990-PF, Part XV, Line 2c - Submission Deadlines

Description

NONE.

Depreciation and Amortization
(Including Information on Listed Property)

▶ See separate instructions.

▶ Attach to your tax return.

Name(s) shown on return

RIESTER CONSERVATION FOUNDATION

Identifying number

86-1033524

Business or activity to which this form relates

INDIRECT DEPRECIATION

Part I Election To Expense Certain Property Under Section 179

Note: If you have any listed property, complete Part V before you complete Part I.

1	Maximum amount (see instructions)	1	500,000
2	Total cost of section 179 property placed in service (see instructions)	2	
3	Threshold cost of section 179 property before reduction in limitation (see instructions)	3	2,000,000
4	Reduction in limitation Subtract line 3 from line 2. If zero or less, enter -0-	4	
5	Dollar limitation for tax year Subtract line 4 from line 1. If zero or less, enter -0-. If married filing separately, see instructions	5	
6	(a) Description of property	(b) Cost (business use only)	(c) Elected cost
7	Listed property Enter the amount from line 29	7	
8	Total elected cost of section 179 property Add amounts in column (c), lines 6 and 7	8	
9	Tentative deduction Enter the smaller of line 5 or line 8	9	
10	Carryover of disallowed deduction from line 13 of your 2011 Form 4562	10	
11	Business income limitation Enter the smaller of business income (not less than zero) or line 5 (see instructions)	11	
12	Section 179 expense deduction Add lines 9 and 10, but do not enter more than line 11	12	
13	Carryover of disallowed deduction to 2013. Add lines 9 and 10, less line 12	▶ 13	

Note: Do not use Part II or Part III below for listed property. Instead, use Part V

Part II Special Depreciation Allowance and Other Depreciation (Do not include listed property) (See instructions)

14	Special depreciation allowance for qualified property (other than listed property) placed in service during the tax year (see instructions)	14	900
15	Property subject to section 168(f)(1) election	15	
16	Other depreciation (including ACRS)	16	

Part III MACRS Depreciation (Do not include listed property) (See instructions.)

Section A

17	MACRS deductions for assets placed in service in tax years beginning before 2012	17	0
18	If you are electing to group any assets placed in service during the tax year into one or more general asset accounts, check here	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Section B—Assets Placed in Service During 2012 Tax Year Using the General Depreciation System

(a) Classification of property	(b) Month and year placed in service	(c) Basis for depreciation (business/investment use only—see instructions)	(d) Recovery period	(e) Convention	(f) Method	(g) Depreciation deduction
19a 3-year property						
b 5-year property						
c 7-year property		899	7.0	HY	200DB	128
d 10-year property						
e 15-year property						
f 20-year property						
g 25-year property			25 yrs		S/L	
h Residential rental property			27.5 yrs.	MM	S/L	
i Nonresidential real property			39 yrs	MM	S/L	

Section C—Assets Placed in Service During 2012 Tax Year Using the Alternative Depreciation System

20a Class life					S/L	
b 12-year			12 yrs		S/L	
c 40-year			40 yrs	MM	S/L	

Part IV Summary (See instructions.)

21	Listed property Enter amount from line 28	21	
22	Total. Add amounts from line 12, lines 14 through 17, lines 19 and 20 in column (g), and line 21. Enter here and on the appropriate lines of your return. Partnerships and S corporations—see instructions	22	1,028
23	For assets shown above and placed in service during the current year, enter the portion of the basis attributable to section 263A costs	23	

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see separate instructions.

Taxable Interest on Investments

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Unrelated Business Code</u>	<u>Exclusion Code</u>	<u>Postal Code</u>	<u>US Obs (\$ or %)</u>
INTEREST INCOME - CHECKING	\$ 9		14		
INTEREST INCOME - CD	86		14		
TOTAL	\$ <u>95</u>				