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

2012

Open to public Inspection

For calendar year 2012 or tax year beginning OCT 1, 2012 , and ending SEP 30, 2013

Name of foundation: XERIC FOUNDATION

A Employer identification number: 22-3149258

Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address): 351 PLEASANT STREET, PMB 214 | Room/suite:

B Telephone number: 413-585-0671

City or town, state, and ZIP code: NORTHAMPTON, MA 01060-3900

C If exemption application is pending, check here ▶ [ ]

G Check all that apply: [ ] Initial return [ ] Initial return of a former public charity [ ] Final return [ ] Amended return [ ] Address change [ ] Name change

D 1. Foreign organizations, check here ▶ [ ]
2. Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation ▶ [ ]

H Check type of organization: [X] Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation [ ] Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust [ ] Other taxable private foundation

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

I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col. (c), line 16) ▶$ 3712994.

J Accounting method: [X] Cash [ ] Accrual [ ] Other (specify) (Part I, column (d) must be on cash basis.)

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

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))

		(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			N/A	
	2 Check ▶ [X] if the foundation is not required to attach Sch B				
	3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments				
	4 Dividends and interest from securities	82083.	82083.		STATEMENT 1
	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				
	9 Income modifications				
	10a Gross sales less returns and allowances				
	b Less Cost of goods sold				
	c Gross profit or (loss)				
	11 Other income				
	12 **Total.** Add lines 1 through 11	82083.	82083.		
Operating and Administrative Expenses	13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc	35750.	0.		35750.
	14 Other employee salaries and wages				
	15 Pension plans, employee benefits				
	16a Legal fees				
	b Accounting fees STMT 2	2500.	1250.		1250.
	c Other professional fees				
	17 Interest				
	18 Taxes STMT 3	35.	0.		0.
	19 Depreciation and depletion				
	20 Occupancy				
	21 Travel, conferences, and meetings				
	22 Printing and publications	230.	0.		0.
	23 Other expenses STMT 4	2274.	0.		0.
	24 **Total operating and administrative expenses.** Add lines 13 through 23	40789.	1250.		37000.
	25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid	151561.			151561.
	26 **Total expenses and disbursements.** Add lines 24 and 25	192350.	1250.		188561.
	27 Subtract line 26 from line 12:				
	a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	-110267.			
	b **Net investment income** (if negative, enter -0-)		80833.		
	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	Beginning of year (a) Book Value	End of year (b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value
Assets	1 Cash - non-interest-bearing	15084.	17734.	17734.
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	297559.	112106.	112106.
	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			
	7 Other notes and loans receivable ▶			
	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			
	b Investments - corporate stock STMT 5	50750.	50750.	364750.
	c Investments - corporate bonds			
	11 Investments - land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶			
	Less accumulated depreciation ▶			
	12 Investments - mortgage loans			
	13 Investments - other STMT 6	2347197.	2419733.	3218404.
	14 Land, buildings, and equipment: basis ▶			
	Less accumulated depreciation ▶			
	15 Other assets (describe ▶)			
	16 **Total assets** (to be completed by all filers)	2710590.	2600323.	3712994.
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses			
	18 Grants payable			
	19 Deferred revenue			
	20 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons			
	21 Mortgages and other notes payable			
	22 Other liabilities (describe ▶)			
	23 **Total liabilities** (add lines 17 through 22)	0.	0.	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	**Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ [X] and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.**			
	24 Unrestricted	2710590.	2600323.	
	25 Temporarily restricted			
	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**	2710590.	2600323.	
	31 **Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances**	2710590.	2600323.	

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	2710590.
2	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	-110267.
3	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	3	0.
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	2600323.
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	2600323.

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				
b	NONE			
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) 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	(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) { 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) 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 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	169069.	3263782.	.051802
2010	202640.	3483434.	.058172
2009	182735.	3101353.	.058921
2008	159263.	1982339.	.080341
2007	200815.	2950850.	.068053

2	**Total** of line 1, column (d)	2	.317289
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	.063458
4	Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2012 from Part X, line 5	4	3505910.
5	Multiply line 4 by line 3	5	222478.
6	Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)	6	808.
7	Add lines 5 and 6	7	223286.
8	Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4	8	188561.

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

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 ▶ ☐ 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	1617.
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	1617.
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	1617.
6 Credits/Payments			
a 2012 estimated tax payments and 2011 overpayment credited to 2012	6a 9751.		
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	9751.
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	8134.
11 Enter the amount of line 10 to be: **Credited to 2013 estimated tax** ▶	8134. **Refunded** ▶	11	0.

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?	1a		X
b Did it spend more than $100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes (see instructions for definition)? *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.*	1b		X
c Did the foundation file **Form 1120-POL** for this year?	1c		X
d Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year: (1) On the foundation ▶ $ 0. (2) On foundation managers ▶ $ 0.			
e Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers ▶ $ 0.			
2 Has the foundation engaged in any activities that have not previously been reported to the IRS? *If "Yes," attach a detailed description of the activities.*	2		X
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		X
4a Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of $1,000 or more during the year?	4a		X
b If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on **Form 990-T** for this year? N/A	4b		
5 Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year? *If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T.*	5		X
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	X	
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	X	
8a Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see instructions) ▶ MA			
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	X	
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)? *If "Yes," complete Part XIV*	9		X
10 Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses	10		X

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities *(continued)*

			Yes	No
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?	13	X	

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14 The books are in care of ▶ KENDALL CLARK ENGELMAN Telephone no ▶ (413) 585-0671

Located at ▶ 351 PLEASANT STREET, PMB 214, NORTHAMPTON, MA ZIP+4 ▶ 01060

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 N/A

			Yes	No
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?	16		X
	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

			Yes	No
	File Form 4720 if any item is checked in the "Yes" column, unless an exception applies.			
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 instructions)?	1b		X
	Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here ▶ ☐			
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		X
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? ☐ Yes ☒ No			
	If "Yes," list the years ▶ ____, ____, ____, ____			
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. ▶ ____, ____, ____, ____			
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 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)? ☐ 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)? **5b** X

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** 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.

(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
PETER A. LAIRD C/O MIRAGE STUDIOS, NORTHAMPTON, MA 01060	PRESIDENT 2.00	0.	0.	0.
CHRISTOPHER B. MILNE C/O GAGE-WILEY, INC. NORTHAMPTON, MA 01060	VICE PRESIDENT 2.00	0.	0.	0.
KENDALL CLARK ENGELMAN C/O MIRAGE STUDIOS, NORTHAMPTON, MA 01060	SECRETARY/TREASURER 20.00	35750.	0.	0.
JEANNINE ATKINS 63 DICKINSON ROAD WHATELY, MA 01093	EXECUTIVE VICE-PRESIDENT 0.00	0.	0.	0.

2 Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1). 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

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

3 Five highest-paid independent contractors for professional services. 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 THE FOUNDATION OFFERS ASSISTANCE TO 501(C)(3) CHARITIES FROM THE WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS, AREA CODE 413, AREA. GRANTS ARE USUALLY LIMITED TO $5,000 PER CHARITY.	103859.
2 SEE STATEMENT 7	47702.
3	
4	

Part IX-B Summary of Program-Related Investments

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.

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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	3533442.
b	Average of monthly cash balances	1b	25857.
c	Fair market value of all other assets	1c	
d	**Total** (add lines 1a, b, and c)	1d	3559299.
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	3559299.
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	4	53389.
5	**Net value of noncharitable-use assets.** Subtract line 4 from line 3 Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	3505910.
6	**Minimum investment return.** Enter 5% of line 5	6	175296.

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	175296.
2a	Tax on investment income for 2012 from Part VI, line 5 — 2a: 1617.		
b	Income tax for 2012. (This does not include the tax from Part VI) — 2b:		
c	Add lines 2a and 2b	2c	1617.
3	Distributable amount before adjustments Subtract line 2c from line 1	3	173679.
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions	4	0.
5	Add lines 3 and 4	5	173679.
6	Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions)	6	0.
7	**Distributable amount** as adjusted Subtract line 6 from line 5 Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1	7	173679.

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	188561.
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	
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	188561.
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	5	0.
6	**Adjusted qualifying distributions.** Subtract line 5 from line 4	6	188561.

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				173679.
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2012				
a Enter amount for 2011 only			0.	
b Total for prior years ___ , ___ , ___		0.		
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2012.				
a From 2007 60667.				
b From 2008 63094.				
c From 2009 34658.				
d From 2010 39737.				
e From 2011 7401.				
f Total of lines 3a through e	205557.			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2012 from Part XII, line 4 ▶ $ 188561.				
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				173679.
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	14882.			
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	220439.			
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 instr			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)	0.			
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2007 not applied on line 5 or line 7	60667.			
9 **Excess distributions carryover to 2013.** Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a	159772.			
10 Analysis of line 9				
a Excess from 2008 63094.				
b Excess from 2009 34658.				
c Excess from 2010 39737.				
d Excess from 2011 7401.				
e Excess from 2012 14882.				

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Part XIV Private Operating Foundations (see instructions and Part VII-A, question 9) N/A

1 a 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)

	Tax year	Prior 3 years			
	(a) 2012	(b) 2011	(c) 2010	(d) 2009	(e) Total
2 a 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))

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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 ▶ [X] 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·

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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 Name and address (home or business)	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
a Paid during the year				
ACADEMY OF MUSIC 274 MAIN STREET NORTHAMPTON, MA 01060	NONE	501 (C)(3)	YOUTH PROGRAMS	2500.
ARTSPACE COMMUNITY ARTS CENTER 15 MILL STREET GREENFIELD, MA 01301	NONE	501 (C)(3)	MUSIC PROGRAMS	5000.
ARWEN DONAHUE 4252 CROOKED CREEK ROAD CARLISE, KY 40311	NONE	SELF PUBLISHING COMIC	UNDERWRITER EXPENSES	2344.
BEN SETO 31702 TREVOR AVENUE HAYWARD, CA 94544	NONE	SELF PUBLISHING COMIC	UNDERWRITER EXPENSES	6000.
BERKSHIRE PULSE PO BOX 37/410 PARK STREET HOUSATONIC, MA 01236	NONE	501 (C)(3)	TUITION ASSISTANCE	2500.
Total SEE CONTINUATION SHEET(S)			▶ 3a	151561.
b Approved for future payment NONE				
Total			▶ 3b	0.

Part XVI-A Analysis of Income-Producing Activities

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated	Unrelated business income (a) Business code	Unrelated business income (b) Amount	Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514 (c) Exclusion code	Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514 (d) Amount	(e) Related or exempt function income
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	82083.	
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)		0.		82083.	0.

13 Total. Add line 12, columns (b), (d), and (e) . . . 13 82083.

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

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

Line No. ▼	Explain below how each activity for which income is reported in column (e) of Part XVI-A contributed importantly to the accomplishment of the foundation's exempt purposes (other than by providing funds for such purposes).

Part XVII **Information Regarding Transfers To and Transactions and Relationships With Noncharitable Exempt Organizations**

			Yes	No
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?			
a	Transfers from the reporting foundation to a noncharitable exempt organization of			
	(1) Cash	1a(1)		X
	(2) Other assets	1a(2)		X
b	Other transactions:			
	(1) Sales of assets to a noncharitable exempt organization	1b(1)		X
	(2) Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization	1b(2)		X
	(3) Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets	1b(3)		X
	(4) Reimbursement arrangements	1b(4)		X
	(5) Loans or loan guarantees	1b(5)		X
	(6) Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations	1b(6)		X
c	Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees	1c		X

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

(a) Line no	(b) Amount involved	(c) Name of noncharitable exempt organization	(d) Description of transfers, transactions, and sharing arrangements
		N/A	

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
N/A		

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 — Date 1.15.14 — Title TREASURER

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

Paid Preparer Use Only

Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check ☐ if self-employed	PTIN
ROBERT SUPRENANT	CPA	11/26/13		P01046605

Firm's name ▶ MORIARTY & PRIMACK PC — Firm's EIN ▶ 04-3191789

Firm's address ▶ ONE MONARCH PLACE SUITE 900 SPRINGFIELD, MA 01144 — Phone no 413-739-1800

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Part XV Supplementary Information

3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year (Continuation)

Recipient Name and address (home or business)	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
BERNARD STIEGLER 440 E OLIVER ST #2G BALTIMORE, MD 21202	NONE	SELF PUBLISHING COMIC	UNDERWRITER EXPENSES	5000.
CAITLIN SKAALRUD 1765 COUNTY ROAD J HAMMOND, WI 54015	NONE	SELF PUBLISHING COMIC	UNDERWRITER EXPENSES	2500.
CENTER FOR NEW AMERICANS 42 GOTHIC STREET NORTHAMPTON, MA 01060	NONE	501 (C)(3)	30 POEMS IN NOVEMBER! PROJECT	2500.
CISA, INC. ONE SUGARLOAF STREET S. DEERFIELD, MA 01373	NONE	501 (C)(3)	FOOD FOR ALL	1000.
COMMUNITY ACTION 393 MAIN STREET GREENFIELD, MA 01301	NONE	501 (C)(3)	FAMILY LITERACY EVENTS	4720.
CONWAY HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC. PO BOX 174 CONWAY, MA 01341	NONE	501 (C)(3)	FLAT FILES	1664.
DANKIN PIONEER VALLEY HUMANE SOCIETY PO BOX 6307 SPRINGFIELD, MA 01101-6307	NONE	501 (C)(3)	PET FOOD AID PROGRAM	3000.
DARIN SCHULER 800 PRITCHARD AVE EXT APT H8 CHAPEL HILL, NC 27516	NONE	SELF PUBLISHING COMIC	UNDERWRITER EXPENSES	3587.
ELAINE WILL 1136 7TH ST E SASKATOON, SASKATCHEWAN, CANADA S7H 0Z1	NONE	SELF PUBLISHING COMIC	UNDERWRITER EXPENSES	5000.
ENCHANTED CIRCLE THEATER 4 OPEN SQUARE WAY, STUDIO 206 HOLYOKE, MA 01040	NONE	501 (C)(3)	PECK FULL SCHOOL PROGRAM	5000.
Total from continuation sheets				133217.

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Recipient Name and address (home or business)	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
ERIC CARLE MUSEUM OF PICTURE BK ART INC 125 WEST BAY ROAD AMHERST, MA 01002	NONE	501 (C)(3)	GENERAL CONTRIBUTION	10000.
FAMILY LIFE SUPPORT CENTER. INC PO BOX 54 ADAMS , MA 01220	NONE	501 (C)(3)	SUPPORT SERVICES	4000.
FRANKLIN LAND TRUST 679 MOHAWK TRAIL SHELBURNE FALLS, MA 01370	NONE	501 (C)(3)	WHATELY PRESERVATION	1000.
FRIENDS OF THE AMHERST RECREATION PO BOX 187 AMHERST, MA 01093	NONE	501 (C)(3)	GENERAL CONTRIBUTION	4000.
FRUITLANDS MUSEUM 102 PROSPECT HILL ROAD HARVARD, MA 01451	NONE	501 (C)(3)	GENERAL CONTRIBUTION	1000.
GIRLS, INC P.O. BOX 6812 HOLYOKE, MA 01040	NONE	501 (C)(3)	TEEN CENTER PROJECT	5000.
HOLYOKE COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION INC 303 HOMESTEAD AVENUE HOLYOKE, MA 01040	NONE	501 (C)(3)	STEP FORWARD/QUEST PROGRAM	5000.
JACOB'S PILLOW DANCE FESTIVAL,INC. 358 GEORGE CARTER ROAD BECKETT, MA 01223	NONE	501 (C)(3)	INSIDE-OUT SUMMER SERIES	2500.
JOHN MALTA 1678 GROVE ST FL 3 RIDGEWOOD, NY 11385	NONE	SELF PUBLISHING COMIC	UNDERWRITER EXPENSES	3000.
JONES LIBRARY 43 AMITY STREET AMHERST, MA 01002	NONE	501 (C)(3)	GENERAL CONTRIBUTION	1000.
Total from continuation sheets				

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Recipient Name and address (home or business)	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
LAURIANNE UY 1245 ORANGE GROVE AVE GLENDALE, CA 91205	NONE	SELF PUBLISHING COMIC	UNDERWRITER EXPENSES	1816.
LILLY LIBRARY 19 MEADOW STREET FLORENCE, MA 01062	NONE	501 (C)(3)	SUMMER CHILDREN'S PROGRAM	1775.
LIZ PLOURDE STE 356, LOWER MILL PO BOX 81 ROLLINSFORD , NH 03869	NONE	SELF PUBLISHING COMIC	UNDERWRITER EXPENSES	4613.
MARIANA WEFLEN 101 CORRY STREET UPEER YELLOW SPRINGS, OH 45387	NONE	SELF PUBLISHING COMIC	UNDERWRITER EXPENSES	857.
MARNIE GALLOWAY 6602 N BOSWORTH AVE #2 CHICAGO, IL 60626	NONE	SELF PUBLISHING COMIC	UNDERWRITER EXPENSES	3000.
MASSACHUSETTS AUDUBON SOCIETY 208 SOUTH GREAT ROAD LINCOLN , MA 01773	NONE	501 (C)(3)	GENERAL CONTRIBUTION	2500.
MAX WOODRIGN 5736 17TH AVENUE SEATTLE, WA 98105	NONE	SELF PUBLISHING COMIC	UNDERWRITER EXPENSES	6985.
NORTHAMPTON SURVIVAL CENTER 265 PROSPECT STREET NORTHAMPTON, MA 01060	NONE	501 (C)(3)	KIDS' SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM	5000.
OLIVIA HORVATH 14 OLNEYVILLE SQ PROVIDENCE, RI 02909	NONE	SELF PUBLISHING COMIC	UNDERWRITER EXPENSES	3000.
ORCHARD HOUSE PO BOX 343 CONCORD , MA 01742	NONE	501 (C)(3)	GENERAL CONTRIBUTION	1000.
Total from continuation sheets				

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3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year (Continuation)

Recipient Name and address (home or business)	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
PIONEER VALLEY HABITAT FOR HUMANITY 140 PINE STREET FLORENCE, MA 01062	NONE	501 (C)(3)	CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS	5000.
PROJECT ANGEL FOOD 922 VINE STREET LOS ANGELES , CA 90038	NONE	501 (C)(3)	GENERAL CONTRIBUTION	500.
R.K. FINN RYAN RD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PTO 498 RYAN ROAD FLORENCE, MA 01062	NONE	501 (C)(3)	PITI THEATHER COMPANY PRESENTATION	1800.
REACH OUT AND READ -- LA 56 ROULAND ST, 1000 BOSTON, MA 02129	NONE	501 (C)(3)	JA/PL CONTRIBUTION	1000.
READER TO READER INC 24 MT VIEW CIRCLE AMHERST, MA 01002	NONE	501 (C)(3)	BOOKS	3500.
S. WHITE DICKINSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY PO BOX 187 WHATELY, MA 01093	NONE	501 (C)(3)	LA CONTRIBUTION	500.
SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS 1550 MAIN STREET, 3RD FLOOR SPRINGFIELD , MA 01103	NONE	501 (C)(3)	INTERVENTION MODEL SALARIES	2500.
STAND UP TO CANCER 1801 W OLYMPIC BLVD PASADENA , CA 91199-1224	NONE	501 (C)(3)	GENERAL CONTRIBUTION	500.
SUNDERLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY 20 SCHOOL ST SUNDERLAND, MA 01375	NONE	501 (C)(3)	MULTICULTURAL DANCE PROGRAM	1000.
THE ART GARDEN 4 UNION STREET SHELBURNE FALLS, MA 01370	NONE	501 (C)(3)	FREE ART-MAKING WORKSHOPS	4900.
Total from continuation sheets				

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3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year (Continuation)

Recipient Name and address (home or business)	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
THE FOOD BANK P.O. BOX 160 HATFIELD, MA 01038	NONE	501 (C)(3)	DOOR TO DOOR DELIVERY PROGRAM	5000.
TROVA THEATER ARTS 29 COLE AVE PITTSFIELD , MA 01201	NONE	501 (C)(3)	RETURNED CONTRIBUTION	-10000.
UMASS ENGLISH DEPARTMENT MEMORIAL HALL, 134 HICKS WAY AMHERST, MA 01003	NONE	501 (C)(3)	GENERAL CONTRIBUTION	10000.
VOLUNTEERS IN MEDICINE BERKSHIRES 777 MAIN STREET, STE 4 GREAT BARRINGTON, MA 01230	NONE	501 (C)(3)	FREE PRESCRIPTION DRUG ASSISTANCE PROGRAM	5000.
WILLISTON NORTHAMTON SCHOOL ANNUAL FUND 19 PAYSON AVENUE EASTHAMPTON, MA 01027	NONE	501 (C)(3)	GENERAL CONTRIBUTION	1000.
Total from continuation sheets				

FORM 990-PF DIVIDENDS AND INTEREST FROM SECURITIES STATEMENT 1

SOURCE	GROSS AMOUNT	CAPITAL GAINS DIVIDENDS	COLUMN (A) AMOUNT
AMERICA MUTUAL FUND	8264.	0.	8264.
CORNING INC	9500.	0.	9500.
EVEGREEN MONEY MARKET FUND	47.	0.	47.
INCOME FUND OF AMERICA	52943.	0.	52943.
NEW PERSPECTIVE	11329.	0.	11329.
TOTAL TO FM 990-PF, PART I, LN 4	82083.	0.	82083.

FORM 990-PF ACCOUNTING FEES STATEMENT 2

DESCRIPTION	(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES
PROFESSIONAL FEES	2500.	1250.		1250.
TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 16B	2500.	1250.		1250.

FORM 990-PF TAXES STATEMENT 3

DESCRIPTION	(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES
MASS FILING FEE	35.	0.		0.
TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 18	35.	0.		0.

FORM 990-PF	OTHER EXPENSES	STATEMENT 4

DESCRIPTION	(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES
INSURANCE	1823.	0.		0.
MISCELLANEOUS	-94.	0.		0.
OFFICE	534.	0.		0.
DUES & FEES	11.	0.		0.
TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 23	2274.	0.		0.

FORM 990-PF	CORPORATE STOCK	STATEMENT 5

DESCRIPTION	BOOK VALUE	FAIR MARKET VALUE
CORNING INC	50750.	364750.
TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART II, LINE 10B	50750.	364750.

FORM 990-PF	OTHER INVESTMENTS	STATEMENT 6

DESCRIPTION	VALUATION METHOD	BOOK VALUE	FAIR MARKET VALUE
AMERICA MUTUAL FUND	COST	296853.	391920.
INCOME FUND OF AMERICA	COST	1351091.	1563240.
NEW PERSPECTIVE	COST	771789.	1263244.
TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART II, LINE 13		2419733.	3218404.

FORM 990-PF SUMMARY OF DIRECT CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES STATEMENT 7

ACTIVITY TWO

THE FOUNDATION OFFERS FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO SELF-PUBLISHING COMIC CREATORS IN FURTHERANCE OF THE ARTS. GRANTS ARE LIMITED TO DIRECT EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENTS TO THE COMICS.

	EXPENSES
TO FORM 990-PF, PART IX-A, LINE 2	47702.

FORM 990-PF GRANT APPLICATION SUBMISSION INFORMATION STATEMENT 8
PART XV, LINES 2A THROUGH 2D

NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON TO WHOM APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED

XERIC FOUNDATION
351 PLEASANT STREET, PMB 214
NORTHAMPTON, MA 01060

TELEPHONE NUMBER

413-585-0671

FORM AND CONTENT OF APPLICATIONS

WESTERN MASS 501(C)(3) CHARITIES MAY SUBMIT A WRITTEN REQUEST, NO SPECIAL APPLICATION FORM IS NECESSARY. COMPLETE DETAILS CAN BE OBTAINED @ WWW.XERICFOUNDATION.ORG

ANY SUBMISSION DEADLINES

CHARITIES - JANUARY 31 FOR MARCH 1 REVIEW

RESTRICTIONS AND LIMITATIONS ON AWARDS

501(C)(3) CHARITIES MUST BE IN WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS 413 AREA CODE REQUESTS GENERALLY SHOULD NOT EXCEED $5,000