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Form **990-PF**

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

OMB No 1545-0052

2009

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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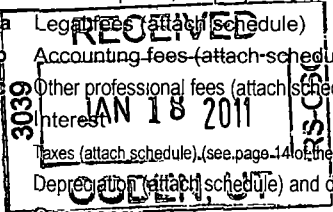
For calendar year 2009, or tax year beginning **09/01/09**, and ending **08/31/10**

G Check all that apply: Initial return Initial return of a former public charity Final return
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Use the IRS label. Otherwise, print or type. See Specific Instructions.	Name of foundation The Center for Economic Research and Social Change, Inc.		A Employer identification number 36-4400754
	Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address) 4015 N Rockwell	Room/suite	B Telephone number (see page 10 of the instructions) 773-583-7884
	City or town, state, and ZIP code Chicago IL 60618		C If exemption application is pending, check here <input type="checkbox"/> 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) \$ 882,392 (Part I, column (d) must be on cash basis)		J Accounting method <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	

Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses (The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a) (see page 11 of the instructions))		(a) Revenue and expenses per books	(b) Net investment income	(c) Adjusted net income	(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)
Revenue	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., received (attach schedule)	594,972			
	2 Check <input type="checkbox"/> if the foundation is not required to attach Sch B				
	3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments				
	4 Dividends and interest from securities	1,777	1,777	1,777	
	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 & allowances 941,752				
b Less Cost of goods sold 340,341					
c Gross profit or (loss) (attach schedule) Stmt 1	601,411		601,411		
11 Other income (attach schedule) Stmt 2	231,505		231,505		
12 Total. Add lines 1 through 11	1,429,665	1,777	834,693		
Operating and Administrative Expenses	13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc	37,690			18,845
	14 Other employee salaries and wages	459,799			423,920
	15 Pension plans, employee benefits	87,363			77,753
	16a Legal fees (attach schedule)				
	b Accounting fees (attach schedule) Stmt 3	9,049			8,054
	c Other professional fees (attach schedule)				
	17 Interest				
	18 Taxes (attach schedule), (see page 14 of the instructions)				
	19 Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion Stmt 4	2,924			
	20 Occupancy	67,892			60,424
	21 Travel, conferences, and meetings	136,663			136,663
	22 Printing and publications	48,562			48,562
	23 Other expenses (att sch) Stmt 5	478,459			460,212
	24 Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23	1,328,401	0		1,234,433
	25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid	0			0
26 Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25	1,328,401	0	0	1,234,433	
27 Subtract line 26 from line 12					
a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	101,264				
b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)		1,777			
c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)			834,693		

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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	41,003	26,806	26,806	
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments	3,408	93,606	93,606	
	3	Accounts receivable ▶ 346,499				
		Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶	221,637	346,499	346,499	
	4	Pledges receivable ▶				
		Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶				
	5	Grants receivable				
	6	Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons (attach schedule) (see page 16 of the instructions)				
	7	Other notes and loans receivable (att. schedule) ▶				
		Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶				
	8	Inventories for sale or use	253,905	261,512	261,512	
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	7,500	7,500	7,500	
	10a	Investments—U S and state government obligations (attach schedule)				
	b	Investments—corporate stock (attach schedule) See Stmt 6	154,118	143,828	143,828	
	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 ▶ 62,390					
	Less accumulated depreciation (attach sch) ▶ Stmt 7 59,749	4,397	2,641	2,641		
15	Other assets (describe ▶)					
16	Total assets (to be completed by all filers—see the instructions Also, see page 1, item I)	685,968	882,392	882,392		
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses	171,211	135,567		
	18	Grants payable				
	19	Deferred revenue See Statement 8	28,212	24,212		
	20	Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons				
	21	Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule)				
	22	Other liabilities (describe ▶ See Statement 9)		150,000		
23	Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)	199,423	309,779			
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.					
	24	Unrestricted	486,545	522,613		
	25	Temporarily restricted		50,000		
	26	Permanently restricted				
	Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 31.					
	27	Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds				
	28	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg., and equipment fund				
	29	Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds				
30	Total net assets or fund balances (see page 17 of the instructions)	486,545	572,613			
31	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances (see page 17 of the instructions)	685,968	882,392			

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	486,545
2	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	101,264
3	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	3	
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	587,809
5	Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ See Statement 10	5	15,196
6	Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5)—Part II, column (b), line 30	6	572,613

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 pages 13 and 17 of the instructions). If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8			3	

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

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

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

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

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

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

(a) Base period years Calendar year (or tax year beginning in)	(b) Adjusted qualifying distributions	(c) Net value of nonchangible-use assets	(d) Distribution ratio (col. (b) divided by col. (c))
2008	1,072,000	230,853	4.643648
2007	944,110	140,081	6.739743
2006	934,402	215,705	4.331851
2005	941,494	251,112	3.749299
2004	697,949	228,175	3.058832
2 Total of line 1, column (d)			22.523373
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			4.504675
4 Enter the net value of nonchangible-use assets for 2009 from Part X, line 5			323,483
5 Multiply line 4 by line 3			1,457,186
6 Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)			18
7 Add lines 5 and 6			1,457,204
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 on page 18.			1,234,433

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

1a	Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here <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	36
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	36
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	36
6	Credits/Payments:		
a	2009 estimated tax payments and 2008 overpayment credited to 2009	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	36
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 2010 estimated tax <input type="checkbox"/> Refunded <input type="checkbox"/>	11	

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities

	Yes	No
1a		X
1b		X
c	N/A	
2		X
3		X
4a		X
4b	N/A	
5	N/A	
6	X	
7	X	
8a		
8b	X	
9	X	
10	X	

Stmt 11

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)

11	At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule (see page 20 of the instructions)	11		X
12	Did the foundation acquire a direct or indirect interest in any applicable insurance contract before August 17, 2008?	12		X
13	Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address ▶ www.isreview.org	13	X	
14	The books are in care of ▶ Julie Fain 4015 N. Rockwell Located at ▶ Chicago, IL	Telephone no. ▶ 773-583-7884 ZIP+4 ▶ 60618		
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"/>

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 page 20 of the instructions)? Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here	N/A ▶ <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 2009?	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 2009, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2009? 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 page 20 of the 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 2009 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 2009)	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 2009?		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 page 22 of the instructions) Yes No

(5) Provide for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals? Yes No

b If any answer is "Yes" to 5a(1)-(5), did any of the transactions fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4945 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see page 22 of the instructions)? **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

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 page 22 of the instructions).

(a) Name and address	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (if not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
See Statement 12				

2 Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1—see page 23 of the instructions). If none, enter "NONE."

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

Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000

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

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

(a) Name and address of each person paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
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 13	
2	
3	
4	

Part IX-B Summary of Program-Related Investments (see page 24 of the instructions)

Describe the two largest program-related investments made by the foundation during the tax year on lines 1 and 2

	Amount
1 N/A	
2	
3 All other program-related investments See page 24 of the instructions	

Total. Add lines 1 through 3 ▶

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

1	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes:		
a	Average monthly fair market value of securities	1a	155,410
b	Average of monthly cash balances	1b	172,999
c	Fair market value of all other assets (see page 24 of the instructions)	1c	0
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c)	1d	328,409
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	328,409
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1½ % of line 3 (for greater amount, see page 25 of the instructions)	4	4,926
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	323,483
6	Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5	6	16,174

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

1	Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6	1	
2a	Tax on investment income for 2009 from Part VI, line 5	2a	
b	Income tax for 2009 (This does not include the tax from Part VI.)	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b	2c	
3	Distributable amount before adjustments. Subtract line 2c from line 1	3	
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions	4	
5	Add lines 3 and 4	5	
6	Deduction from distributable amount (see page 25 of the instructions)	6	
7	Distributable amount as adjusted. Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1	7	

Part XII Qualifying Distributions (see page 25 of the instructions)

1	Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc., purposes:		
a	Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc.—total from Part I, column (d), line 26	1a	1,234,433
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	1,234,433
5	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income. Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b (see page 26 of the instructions)	5	0
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4	6	1,234,433

Note. The amount on line 6 will be used in Part V, column (b), in subsequent years when calculating whether the foundation qualifies for the section 4940(e) reduction of tax in those years

Part XIII Undistributed Income (see page 26 of the instructions)

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2008	(c) 2008	(d) 2009
1 Distributable amount for 2009 from Part XI, line 7				
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2009:				
a Enter amount for 2008 only				
b Total for prior years: 20____, 20____, 20____				
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2009:				
a From 2004				
b From 2005				
c From 2006				
d From 2007				
e From 2008				
f Total of lines 3a through e				
4 Qualifying distributions for 2009 from Part XII, line 4: ▶ \$ _____				
a Applied to 2008, but not more than line 2a				
b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required—see page 26 of the instructions)				
c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required—see page 26 of the instructions)				
d Applied to 2009 distributable amount				
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus				
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2009 (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				
b Prior years' undistributed income. Subtract line 4b from line 2b				
c Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed				
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b. Taxable amount—see page 27 of the instructions				
e Undistributed income for 2008. Subtract line 4a from line 2a. Taxable amount—see page 27 of the instructions				
f Undistributed income for 2009. Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1. This amount must be distributed in 2010				
7 Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3) (see page 27 of the instructions)				
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2004 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see page 27 of the instructions)				
9 Excess distributions carryover to 2010. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a				
10 Analysis of line 9				
a Excess from 2005				
b Excess from 2006				
c Excess from 2007				
d Excess from 2008				
e Excess from 2009				

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

1a	If the foundation has received a ruling or determination letter that it is a private operating foundation, and the ruling is effective for 2009, enter the date of the ruling					N/A
b	Check box to indicate whether the foundation is a private operating foundation described in section	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4942(j)(3) or	<input type="checkbox"/> 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 (a) 2009	Prior 3 years (b) 2008 (c) 2007 (d) 2006			(e) Total
		16,174	11,543	7,004	10,785	45,506
b	85% of line 2a	13,748	9,812	5,953	9,167	38,680
c	Qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 for each year listed	1,234,433	1,072,126	944,564	934,444	4,185,567
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	1,234,433	1,072,126	944,564	934,444	4,185,567
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	10,783	7,695	4,669	7,190	30,337
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 page 28 of the instructions.)

- 1 Information Regarding Foundation Managers:**
- a** List any managers of the foundation who have contributed more than 2% of the total contributions received by the foundation before the close of any tax year (but only if they have contributed more than \$5,000) (See section 507(d)(2))
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 page 28 of the instructions) to individuals or organizations under other conditions, complete items 2a, b, c, and d
- a** The name, address, and telephone number of the person to whom applications should be addressed
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 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 N/A				
Total			▶ 3a	
b Approved for future payment N/A				
Total			▶ 3b	

Part XVI-A Analysis of Income-Producing Activities

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated

	Unrelated business income		Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514		(e) Related or exempt function income (See page 28 of the instructions)
	(a) Business code	(b) Amount	(c) Exclusion code	(d) Amount	
1 Program service revenue:					
a Magazine Income					77,671
b Convention/Program					153,834
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	1,777	
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			22	601,411	
11 Other revenue: a					
b					
c					
d					
e					
12 Subtotal. Add columns (b), (d), and (e)			0	603,188	231,505
13 Total. Add line 12, columns (b), (d), and (e)				13	834,693

(See worksheet in line 13 instructions on page 28 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). (See page 29 of the instructions.)
1a	Provide educational materials, information, and instruction on issues relating to labor, civil, and women's rights and other issues of social inequality and economic justice.
1a	
1b	
1b	

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 | | | |

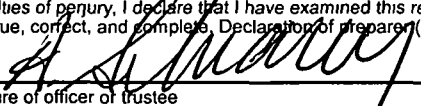

(a) Line no	(b) Amount involved	(c) Name of noncharitable exempt organization	(d) Description of transfers, transactions, and sharing arrangements
N/A			

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		

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

(X)  Signature of officer of trustee	1/11/2011 Date	Executive Director Title
Sign Here	Paid Preparer's Use Only Preparer's signature:  Date: 12/17/10 Check if self-employed: <input type="checkbox"/>	Preparer's identifying number (see Signature on page 30 of the instructions): P01208771 EIN: 36-3039483 Phone no: 312-527-0111
	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP code: John D. Kopczyk, Ltd. 65 East Wacker Place, Suite 1400 Chicago, IL 60601	

Schedule B
(Form 990, 990-EZ,
or 990-PF)
Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Schedule of Contributors

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

OMB No 1545-0047

2009

Name of the organization

**The Center for Economic Research
and Social Change, Inc.**

Employer identification number

36-4400754

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 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, aggregate 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 aggregate 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 in the heading of its Form 990-EZ, or on 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).

For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF.

Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) (2009)

Name of organization The Center for Economic Research	Employer identification number 36-4400754
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Part I Contributors (see instructions)

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Aggregate contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	Christine Desrosier	\$ 10,000	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution)
2	Amy Kemery	\$ 20,000	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
3	Wallace Global Fund 1990 M Street NW Washington DC 20036	\$ 250,000	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution)
4	Various Under \$ 5,000	\$ 271,972	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution)
5	Lannan Foundation 313 Read Street Santa Fe NM 87501	\$ 43,000	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Aggregate contributions	(d) Type of contribution
		\$.	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution)

Depreciation and Amortization
(Including Information on Listed Property)

▶ See separate instructions. ▶ Attach to your tax return.

Name(s) shown on return **The Center for Economic Research and Social Change, Inc.** Identifying number **36-4400754**

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 the instructions for a higher limit for certain businesses	1	250,000
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	800,000
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 2008 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 2010 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 instr.)

14	Special depreciation allowance for qualified property (other than listed property) placed in service during the tax year (see instructions)	14	
15	Property subject to section 168(f)(1) election	15	
16	Other depreciation (including ACRS)	16	2,924

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 2009	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 2009 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						
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	
			27.5 yrs	MM	S/L	
i Nonresidential real property			39 yrs.	MM	S/L	
				MM	S/L	

Section C—Assets Placed in Service During 2009 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	2,924
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	

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Statement 1 - Form 990-PF, Part I, Line 10c - Gross Sales less Cost of Goods Sold

<u>Description</u>	<u>Gross Sales</u>	<u>COGS</u>	<u>Gross Profit</u>
Book Sales	\$ 941,752	\$ 340,341	\$ 601,411
Total	<u>\$ 941,752</u>	<u>\$ 340,341</u>	<u>\$ 601,411</u>

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Statement 2 - Form 990-PF, Part I, Line 11 - Other Income

Description	Revenue per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income
Magazine Income	\$ 77,671	\$	\$ 77,671
Convention/Program	153,834		153,834
Total	<u>\$ 231,505</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 231,505</u>

Statement 3 - Form 990-PF, Part I, Line 16b - Accounting Fees

Description	Total	Net Investment	Adjusted Net	Charitable Purpose
Indirect Accounting Fees	\$ 9,049	\$	\$	\$ 8,054
Total	<u>\$ 9,049</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 8,054</u>

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Statement 4 - 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
1/31/01	\$	Equipment		32,661	\$ 32,661	S/L	5	\$	\$	\$
6/30/01		Leasehold Improvements		17,680	17,680	S/L	5			
10/18/06		Computers		8,192	4,915	S/L	5	1,638		
4/02/08		Dell Computer		1,448	845	S/L	3	482		
3/27/08		QuickBooks Point of Sale		1,240	723	S/L	3	414		
9/01/09		Mac Laptop		1,169		S/L	3	390		
Total				\$ 62,390	\$ 56,824		\$	2,924	\$ 0	\$ 0

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Statement 5 - Form 990-PF, Part I, Line 23 - Other Expenses

Description	Total	Net Investment	Adjusted Net	Charitable Purpose
Expenses				
Artwork	2,813			2,813
Bad Debts	7,500			7,500
Bank Charges	15,180			13,510
Book Distribution Costs	185,220			185,220
Equipment Rental	4,629			4,120
Insurance	6,579			5,855
Office Supplies	2,402			2,138
Outside Services	46,537			41,418
Payroll Service	1,012			901
Postage	79,979			71,182
Promotion	52,054			52,054
Royalties/Permissions	63,171			63,171
Telephone	9,570			8,517
Travel	1,813			1,813
Total	478,459	0	0	460,212

Federal Statements**Statement 6 - Form 990-PF, Part II, Line 10b - Corporate Stock Investments**

<u>Description</u>	<u>Beginning of Year</u>	<u>End of Year</u>	<u>Basis of Valuation</u>	<u>Fair Market Value</u>
Oracle	\$ 2,188	\$ 2,185	Market	\$ 2,185
CTO	69,880	54,120	Market	54,120
Oracle 2008	82,050	81,919	Market	81,919
Caterpillar		5,604	Market	5,604
Total	<u>\$ 154,118</u>	<u>\$ 143,828</u>		<u>\$ 143,828</u>

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Statement 7 - Form 990-PF, Part II, Line 14 - Land, Building, and Equipment

Description	Beginning Net Book	End Cost / Basis	End Accumulated Depreciation	Net FMV
Equipment	\$	32,661	32,661	\$
Leasehold Improvement		17,680	17,680	
Computers	4,397	12,049	9,408	2,641
Total	\$ 4,397	\$ 62,390	\$ 59,749	\$ 2,641

Federal Statements**Statement 8 - Form 990-PF, Part II, Line 19 - Deferred Revenue**

<u>Description</u>	<u>Beginning of Year</u>	<u>End of Year</u>
Subscriptions	\$ 28,212	\$ 24,212
Total	\$ 28,212	\$ 24,212

Statement 9 - Form 990-PF, Part II, Line 22 - Other Liabilities

<u>Description</u>	<u>Beginning of Year</u>	<u>End of Year</u>
Refundable Grant	\$	\$ 150,000
Total	\$ 0	\$ 150,000

Statement 10 - Form 990-PF, Part III, Line 5 - Other Decreases

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Unrealized Loss on Investments	\$ 15,196
Total	\$ 15,196

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Statement 11 - Form 990-PF, Part VII-A, Line 10 - Substantial Contributors

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>City, State, Zip</u>
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Jason Yanowitz

11A Jay St.

Cambridge MA 02139

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Statement 12 - Form 990-PF, Part VIII, Line 1 - List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Etc.

Name and Address	Title	Average Hours	Compensation	Benefits	Expenses
Ahmed Sehrawy 4015 N Rockwell Chicago IL 60618	Pres/Sec	40.00	37,690	13,948	0
Lance Selfa 4015 N Rockwell Chicago IL 60618	Vice Pres	5.00	0	0	0
Sharon Smith 4015 N Rockwell Chicago IL 60618	Treasurer	5.00	0	0	0
Paul D'Amato 4015 N Rockwell Chicago IL 60618	Director	5.00	0	0	0
William Roberts 4015 N Rockwell Chicago IL 60618	Director	5.00	0	0	0
Anthony Arnove 4015 N Rockwell Chicago IL 60618	Director	5.00	0	0	0

Statement 13 - Form 990-PF, Part IX-A, Line 1 - Summary of Direct Charitable Activities

Description

Provide educational materials, information, and instruction on issues relating to labor, civil, women's rights and other issues of social inequality and economic justice. The mission is carried out through a variety of means, including magazine, book, web-based publishing, and sponsorship of public meetings, seminars, and conferences.

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Asset	Description	Date In Service	Cost	Bus %	Sec 179	Bonus	Basis for Depr	PerConv Meth	Prior	Current
Other Depreciation:										
1	Equipment	1/31/01	32,661				32,661	5 MO S/L	32,661	0
2	Leasehold Improvements	6/30/01	17,680				17,680	5 MO S/L	17,680	0
4	Computers	10/18/06	8,192				8,192	5 MO S/L	4,915	1,638
5	Dell Computer	4/02/08	1,448				1,448	3 MO S/L	845	482
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7	Mac Laptop	9/01/09	1,169				1,169	3 MO S/L	0	390
	Total Other Depreciation		<u>62,390</u>				<u>62,390</u>		<u>56,824</u>	<u>2,924</u>
	Total ACRS and Other Depreciation		<u>62,390</u>				<u>62,390</u>		<u>56,824</u>	<u>2,924</u>
	Grand Totals		62,390				62,390		56,824	2,924
	Less: Dispositions and Transfers		0				0		0	0
	Less: Start-up/Org Expense		0				0		0	0
	Net Grand Totals		<u>62,390</u>				<u>62,390</u>		<u>56,824</u>	<u>2,924</u>