

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

2011

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

Open to Public Inspection

A For the **2011** calendar year, or tax year beginning **OCT 1, 2011** and ending **SEP 30, 2012**

B Check if applicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	C Name of organization THE REASON FOUNDATION Doing Business As Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite 5737 MESMER AVENUE City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 LOS ANGELES, CA 90230-6316 F Name and address of principal officer: DAVID NOTT SAME AS C ABOVE	D Employer identification number 95-3298239 E Telephone number (310) 391-2245 G Gross receipts \$ 9,281,200. H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No H(b) Are all affiliates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list. (see instructions) H(c) Group exemption number ▶
I Tax-exempt status: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) () ◀ (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527		
J Website: ▶ WWW.REASON.ORG		
K Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other ▶		L Year of formation: 1978 M State of legal domicile: CA

Part I Summary			
	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: TO ADVANCE A FREE SOCIETY BY DEVELOPING, APPLYING, AND PROMOTING LIBERTARIAN PRINCIPLES INCLUDING		
Activities & Governance	2 Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.		
	3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	21
	4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	19
	5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2011 (Part V, line 2a)	5	62
	6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	0
	7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	125,869.
	b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	0.
Revenue		Prior Year	Current Year
	8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	7,179,389.	8,147,254.
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	757,865.	895,742.
	10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	59,630.	83,768.
	11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	81,178.	-19,918.
	12 Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	8,078,062.	9,106,846.
Expenses		0.	0.
	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	0.	0.
	14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	0.	0.
	15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	4,162,930.	4,734,453.
	16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0.	0.
	b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 935,628.		
	17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	3,623,732.	4,050,409.
	18 Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	7,786,662.	8,784,862.
	19 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	291,400.	321,984.
Net Assets or Fund Balances		Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
	20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	5,344,900.	7,352,487.
	21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	1,091,966.	2,474,484.
	22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	4,252,934.	4,878,003.

Part II Signature Block

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

Sign Here	Signature of officer DAVID NOTT, PRESIDENT AND CEO Type or print name and title	Date
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name JENIFER SIOU	Preparer's signature Date Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/> PTIN P00616514
	Firm's name ▶ NSBN LLP	Firm's EIN ▶ 95-2399533
	Firm's address ▶ 9454 WILSHIRE BLVD., 4TH FLOOR BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90212-2907	Phone no. (310) 273-2501

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

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part III [X]

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission: TO ADVANCE A FREE SOCIETY BY DEVELOPING, APPLYING, AND PROMOTING LIBERTARIAN PRINCIPLES, INCLUDING INDIVIDUAL LIBERTY, FREE MARKETS, AND THE RULE OF LAW. WE USE JOURNALISM AND PUBLIC POLICY RESEARCH TO INFLUENCE THE FRAMEWORKS AND ACTIONS OF POLICYMAKERS, JOURNALISTS, AND

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? [] Yes [X] No If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? [] Yes [X] No If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

4a (Code:) (Expenses \$ 1,368,694. including grants of \$) (Revenue \$) REASON.TV PRODUCING FREE MARKET IDEAS THROUGH VIDEO JOURNALISM ONLINE 504 VIDEOS PRODUCED AVERAGE OF 917,000 VIDEOS PLAYED EACH MONTH (INCLUDES YOUTUBE.COM PLAYCOUNT)

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ 2,961,200. including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 765,304.) REASON MAGAZINE DISCUSSING "FREE MINDS AND FREE MARKETS" SINCE 1968 11 ISSUES PUBLISHED 50,000 PAID/REQUESTED COPIES 1,000 NEWSSTAND COPIES SOLD AVERAGE OF 2.4 MILLION USER VISITS PER MONTH AT REASONONLINE

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ 2,229,354. including grants of \$) (Revenue \$) REASON FOUNDATION RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS OF ISSUES RELATING TO PRIVATIZATION, TRANSPORTATION, EDUCATION, LAND USE AND THE ENVIRONMENT; EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH FROM A LIBERTARIAN PERSPECTIVE TO POLICYMAKERS, RELEVANT STAKEHOLDERS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC 10,000 ARTICLES CITING REASON EXPERTS TOTAL CIRCULATION OF ARTICLES: 850 MILLION 1,247 MEDIA APPEARANCES BY REASON EXPERTS 13 APPEARANCES TO PROVIDE LEGISLATIVE TESTIMONY; 21 POLICY STUDIES; 12 SURFACE TRANSPORTATION INNOVATIONS NEWSLETTERS; 12 AIR SECURITY NEWSLETTERS; 12 AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL NEWSLETTERS; 4 REASON REPORT NEWSLETTERS.

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.) (Expenses \$ 757,732. including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e Total program service expenses 7,316,980.

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

		Yes	No
1	Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule A</i>	X	
2	Is the organization required to complete <i>Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors</i> ?	X	
3	Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I</i>		X
4	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II</i>	X	
5	Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III</i>		X
6	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I</i>		X
7	Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II</i>		X
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III</i>		X
9	Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21; serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV</i>		X
10	Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V</i>	X	
11	If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable.		
a	Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI</i>	X	
b	Did the organization report an amount for investments - other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII</i>		X
c	Did the organization report an amount for investments - program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII</i>		X
d	Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX</i>		X
e	Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i>		X
f	Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i>	X	
12a	Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII</i>	X	
b	Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII is optional</i>		X
13	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i>		X
14a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		X
b	Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV</i>		X
15	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or assistance to any organization or entity located outside the United States? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV</i>		X
16	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or assistance to individuals located outside the United States? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV</i>		X
17	Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I</i>		X
18	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II</i>	X	
19	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III</i>		X
20a	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i>		X
b	If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to any government or organization in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i>		X
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>		X
23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i>	X	
24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25</i>		X
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		
d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		
25a Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		X
b Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		X
26 Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highly compensated employee, or disqualified person outstanding as of the end of the organization's tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>		X
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>		X
28 Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions):		
a A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	X	
c An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		X
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		X
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>		X
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i>		X
33 Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i>		X
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1</i>		X
35a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?		X
b Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		X
36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		X
37 Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i>		X
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11 and 19?	X	

Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part V

Input box for Schedule O response

Main table with columns for question number, description, sub-questions (1a-14b), and Yes/No columns. Includes questions about Form 1096, Form W-2G, Form W-3, and various tax compliance issues.

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VI [X]

Section A. Governing Body and Management

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 1a (21), 1b (19), 2 (X), 3 (X), 4 (X), 5 (X), 6 (X), 7a (X), 7b (X), 8a (X), 8b (X), 9 (X).

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 10a (X), 10b, 11a (X), 11b, 12a (X), 12b (X), 12c (X), 13 (X), 14 (X), 15a (X), 15b (X), 16a (X), 16b.

Section C. Disclosure

- 17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed: AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, FL, GA, HI, IL, KS
18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (Section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply. [] Own website [] Another's website [X] Upon request
19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how), the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.
20 State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization: JONATHAN GRAFF - (310) 391-2245
5737 MESMER AVENUE, LOS ANGELES, CA 90230

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VII

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** directors or trustees that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (describe hours for related organizations in Schedule O)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) THOMAS E. BEACH CHAIRMAN	1.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.	
(2) BARON BOND TRUSTEE	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(3) DREW A. CAREY TRUSTEE	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(4) DERWOOD S. CHASE, JR. TRUSTEE	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(5) JAMES R. CURLEY TRUSTEE	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(6) RICHARD J. DENNIS TRUSTEE	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(7) WILLIAM A. DUNN TRUSTEE	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(8) DAVID FLEMING TRUSTEE	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(9) C. BOYDEN GRAY TRUSTEE	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(10) JAMES D. JAMESON TRUSTEE	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(11) MANUEL S. KLAUSNER TRUSTEE	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(12) DAVID H. KOCH TRUSTEE	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(13) JAMES LINTOTT TRUSTEE	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(14) STEPHEN MODZELEWSKI TRUSTEE	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(15) GEORGE F. OHRSTROM TRUSTEE	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(16) CAROL SANDERS TRUSTEE	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(17) VERNON L. SMITH TRUSTEE	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	

Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (describe hours for related organizations in Schedule O)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(18) RICHARD A. WALLACE TRUSTEE	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(19) FRED M. YOUNG, JR. TRUSTEE	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(20) DAVID NOTT PRESIDENT & CEO	40.00	X		X			287,231.	0.	0.	
(21) ROBERT W. POOLE, JR. FOUNDER	40.00	X		X			253,322.	0.	0.	
(22) MICHAEL ALISSI VICE PRESIDENT, OPERATIONS	40.00			X			159,667.	0.	0.	
(23) NICHOLAS GILLESPIE VICE PRESIDENT, REASON ONL	40.00			X			205,807.	0.	0.	
(24) JONATHAN GRAFF TREASURER, SECRETARY	40.00			X			157,309.	0.	0.	
(25) ADRIAN T. MOORE VICE PRESIDENT, POLICY	40.00			X			172,282.	0.	0.	
(26) JULIAN MORRIS VICE PRESIDENT, RESEARCH	40.00			X			47,001.	0.	0.	
1b Sub-total							1,282,619.	0.	0.	
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A							149,649.	0.	0.	
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)							1,432,268.	0.	0.	

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization **7**

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director, or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual		X
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual	X	
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person		X

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
NONE		

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization **0**

SEE PART VII, SECTION A CONTINUATION SHEETS

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

			(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512, 513, or 514	
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1 a	Federated campaigns					
	b	Membership dues					
	c	Fundraising events	84,121.				
	d	Related organizations					
	e	Government grants (contributions)					
	f	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	8,063,133.				
	g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$					
	h	Total. Add lines 1a-1f	8,147,254.				
	Program Service Revenue	2 a	SUBSCRIPTION SALES	900099 764,873.	764,873.		
b		ADVERTISING INCOME	511120 108,930.		108,930.		
c		MAILING LIST RENTAL	511120 16,939.		16,939.		
d		RESEARCH INCOME	900099 5,000.			5,000.	
e							
f		All other program service revenue					
g		Total. Add lines 2a-2f	895,742.				
Other Revenue	3	Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		83,768.		83,768.	
	4	Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds					
	5	Royalties					
	6 a	Gross rents	(i) Real				
			(ii) Personal				
			b Less: rental expenses				
			c Rental income or (loss)				
	d	Net rental income or (loss)					
	7 a	Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities				
			(ii) Other				
			b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses				
			c Gain or (loss)				
	d	Net gain or (loss)					
	8 a	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 84,121. of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	a 154,005.				
	b	Less: direct expenses	b 174,354.				
c	Net income or (loss) from fundraising events		-20,349.		-20,349.		
9 a	Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	a					
b	Less: direct expenses	b					
c	Net income or (loss) from gaming activities						
10 a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a					
b	Less: cost of goods sold	b					
c	Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory						
Miscellaneous Revenue			Business Code				
11 a	MISC. INCOME	900099 431.	431.				
b							
c							
d	All other revenue						
e	Total. Add lines 11a-11d	431.					
12	Total revenue. See instructions.		9,106,846.	765,304.	125,869.	68,419.	

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A) but are not required to complete columns (B), (C), and (D).

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part IX

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States. See Part IV, line 21				
2 Grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States. See Part IV, line 22				
3 Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the United States. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	1,432,269.	1,134,015.	91,647.	206,607.
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages	2,800,927.	2,368,971.	108,819.	323,137.
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)				
9 Other employee benefits	202,428.	166,481.	9,821.	26,126.
10 Payroll taxes	298,829.	248,315.	13,594.	36,920.
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management				
b Legal	4,113.	3,800.	86.	227.
c Accounting	15,000.	12,366.	712.	1,922.
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees				
g Other				
12 Advertising and promotion	247,876.	234,206.	1,135.	12,535.
13 Office expenses	136,446.	110,343.	5,720.	20,383.
14 Information technology				
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	383,758.	321,242.	17,410.	45,106.
17 Travel	543,384.	421,677.	10,291.	111,416.
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings				
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	22,749.	18,848.	1,066.	2,835.
23 Insurance	78,769.	65,877.	3,730.	9,162.
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a CONTRACT SERVICES	1,292,235.	1,260,421.	7,033.	24,781.
b MANUFACTURING AND DISTR	526,071.	525,460.	16.	595.
c UNFULFILLED PLEDGES	250,000.	0.	250,000.	0.
d MISCELLANEOUS	106,141.	93,334.	5,044.	7,763.
e All other expenses	443,867.	331,624.	6,130.	106,113.
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	8,784,862.	7,316,980.	532,254.	935,628.
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

Part X Balance Sheet

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year	
Assets	1	Cash - non-interest-bearing	537,954.	1	552,344.
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments	678,660.	2	24,883.
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net	476,889.	3	305,350.
	4	Accounts receivable, net	67,758.	4	79,069.
	5	Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	
	6	Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions)		6	
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8	Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		9	
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 3,452,779.		
	b	Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 914,762.		
			31,038.	10c	2,538,017.
	11	Investments - publicly traded securities	3,428,157.	11	3,670,890.
	12	Investments - other securities. See Part IV, line 11		12	
	13	Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14	Intangible assets		14	
15	Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	124,444.	15	181,934.	
16	Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	5,344,900.	16	7,352,487.	
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses	664,207.	17	1,070,924.
	18	Grants payable		18	
	19	Deferred revenue	427,759.	19	364,694.
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21	Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22	Payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L		22	
	23	Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties	0.	23	1,038,866.
	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25	Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D		25	
	26	Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	1,091,966.	26	2,474,484.
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.				
	27	Unrestricted net assets	4,107,705.	27	4,778,375.
	28	Temporarily restricted net assets	101,950.	28	55,349.
	29	Permanently restricted net assets	43,279.	29	44,279.
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.				
	30	Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		31	
	32	Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32	
33	Total net assets or fund balances	4,252,934.	33	4,878,003.	
34	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	5,344,900.	34	7,352,487.	

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XI

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	9,106,846.
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	8,784,862.
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	321,984.
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	4,252,934.
5	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	5	303,085.
6	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3, 4, and 5 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	6	4,878,003.

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XII

		Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O.		
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?		X
2b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?	X	
2c	If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.	X	
d	If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were issued on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		
3a	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		X
3b	If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits.		

Form 990 (2011)

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2007	(b) 2008	(c) 2009	(d) 2010	(e) 2011	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	6267769.	6093799.	6399733.	7123746.	8063133.	33948180.
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3	6267769.	6093799.	6399733.	7123746.	8063133.	33948180.
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						33948180.

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2007	(b) 2008	(c) 2009	(d) 2010	(e) 2011	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	6267769.	6093799.	6399733.	7123746.	8063133.	33948180.
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	117,733.	78,392.	50,137.	59,630.	83,768.	389,660.
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)	1,983.	1,211.	2,082.	1,183.	431.	6,890.
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						34344730.
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	3,950,695.
13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here						<input type="checkbox"/>

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2011 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	98.85	%
15 Public support percentage from 2010 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	98.33	%
16a 33 1/3% support test - 2011. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
b 33 1/3% support test - 2010. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization	<input type="checkbox"/>		
17a 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2011. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization	<input type="checkbox"/>		
b 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2010. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization	<input type="checkbox"/>		
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions	<input type="checkbox"/>		

Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2007	(b) 2008	(c) 2009	(d) 2010	(e) 2011	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public support (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2007	(b) 2008	(c) 2009	(d) 2010	(e) 2011	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
13 Total support (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						

14 **First five years.** If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2011 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2010 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2011 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2010 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	%

19a **33 1/3% support tests - 2011.** If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

b **33 1/3% support tests - 2010.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

20 **Private foundation.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions

Schedule B

(Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Schedule of Contributors

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

OMB No. 1545-0047

2011

Name of the organization

THE REASON FOUNDATION

Employer identification number

95-3298239

Organization type (check one):

Filers of:

Section:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

501(c)(3) (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, total contributions of more than \$1,000 for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.

For a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but these contributions did not total to more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Do not complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received nonexclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$5,000 or more during the year. ▶ \$ _____

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

LHA For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF. **Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) (2011)**

Name of organization THE REASON FOUNDATION	Employer identification number 95-3298239
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Part III *Exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., individual contributions to section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organizations that total more than \$1,000 for the year. Complete columns (a) through (e) and the following line entry. For organizations completing Part III, enter the total of *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions of **\$1,000 or less** for the year. (Enter this information once.) ▶ \$ _____
 Use duplicate copies of Part III if additional space is needed.

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527

2011

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

▶ **Complete if the organization is described below.** ▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.
▶ **See separate instructions.**

Open to Public Inspection

If the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations: Complete Parts I-A and B. Do not complete Part I-C.
- Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations: Complete Parts I-A and C below. Do not complete Part I-B.
- Section 527 organizations: Complete Part I-A only.

If the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-A. Do not complete Part II-B.
- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-B. Do not complete Part II-A.

If the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 5 (Proxy Tax), or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 35c (Proxy Tax), then

- Section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations: Complete Part III.

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Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.

- 1 Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV.
- 2 Political expenditures ▶ \$ _____
- 3 Volunteer hours

Part I-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3).

- 1 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955 ▶ \$ _____
- 2 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 ▶ \$ _____
- 3 If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? Yes No
- 4a Was a correction made? Yes No
- b If "Yes," describe in Part IV.

Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).

- 1 Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$ _____
- 2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$ _____
- 3 Total exempt function expenditures. Add lines 1 and 2. Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b ▶ \$ _____
- 4 Did the filing organization file Form 1120-POL for this year? Yes No
- 5 Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments. For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization's funds. Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC). If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV.

(a) Name	(b) Address	(c) EIN	(d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization. If none, enter -0-.

Part II-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

- A Check if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group (and list in Part IV each affiliated group member's name, address, EIN, expenses, and share of excess lobbying expenditures).
- B Check if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply.

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)		(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals												
1 a	Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)														
b	Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)	9,391.													
c	Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)	9,391.													
d	Other exempt purpose expenditures	8,023,588.													
e	Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)	8,032,979.													
f	Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns.	551,649.													
<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</th> <th>The lobbying nontaxable amount is:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Not over \$500,000</td> <td>20% of the amount on line 1e.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000</td> <td>\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000</td> <td>\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$1,000,000.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:	Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e.	Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.	Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.	Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.	Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000.		
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Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e.														
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.														
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.														
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.														
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000.														
g	Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)	137,912.													
h	Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0-	0.													
i	Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0-	0.													
j	If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No												

4-Year Averaging Period Under Section 501(h)
(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below. See the instructions for lines 2a through 2f on page 4.)

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period						
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2008	(b) 2009	(c) 2010	(d) 2011	(e) Total	
2a	Lobbying nontaxable amount	476,173.	462,539.	505,245.	551,649.	1,995,606.
b	Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					2,993,409.
c	Total lobbying expenditures	12,067.	2,077.		9,391.	23,535.
d	Grassroots nontaxable amount	119,043.	115,635.	126,311.	137,912.	498,901.
e	Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					748,352.
f	Grassroots lobbying expenditures					

Part II-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and has NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

For each "Yes" response to lines 1a through 1i below, provide in Part IV a detailed description of the lobbying activity.

	(a)		(b)
	Yes	No	Amount
1 During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of:			
a Volunteers?			
b Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)? ..			
c Media advertisements?			
d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?			
e Publications, or published or broadcast statements?			
f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?			
g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?			
h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?			
i Other activities?			
j Total. Add lines 1c through 1i			
2a Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?			
b If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
c If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
d If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

Part III-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).

	Yes	No
1 Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?	1	
2 Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?	2	
3 Did the organization agree to carry over lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year?	3	

Part III-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) and if either (a) BOTH Part III-A, lines 1 and 2, are answered "No" OR (b) Part III-A, line 3, is answered "Yes."

1 Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	1	
2 Section 162(e) nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).		
a Current year	2a	
b Carryover from last year	2b	
c Total	2c	
3 Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues	3	
4 If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year?	4	
5 Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (see instructions)	5	

Part IV Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1; Part I-B, line 4; Part I-C, line 5; Part II-A; and Part II-B, line 1. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.

▶ Attach to Form 990. ▶ See separate instructions.

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Name of the organization

THE REASON FOUNDATION

Employer identification number

95-3298239

Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year		
2 Aggregate contributions to (during year)		
3 Aggregate grants from (during year)		
4 Aggregate value at end of year		
5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply).

Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or education) Preservation of an historically important land area

Protection of natural habitat Preservation of a certified historic structure

Preservation of open space

2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year.

	Held at the End of the Tax Year
a Total number of conservation easements	2a
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	2b
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	2c
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register	2d

3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ▶ _____

4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ▶ _____

5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds?

Yes No

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ _____

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ \$ _____

8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)?

Yes No

9 In Part XIV, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements.

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIV, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items.

b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items:

(i) Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1

▶ \$ _____

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X

▶ \$ _____

2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items:

a Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1

▶ \$ _____

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X

▶ \$ _____

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets (continued)

- 3 Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):
- a Public exhibition
 - b Scholarly research
 - c Preservation for future generations
 - d Loan or exchange programs
 - e Other _____
- 4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIV.
- 5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? Yes No

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

- 1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? Yes No
- b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV and complete the following table:
- | | Amount |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| c Beginning balance | 1c |
| d Additions during the year | 1d |
| e Distributions during the year | 1e |
| f Ending balance | 1f |
- 2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21? Yes No
- b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV.

Part V Endowment Funds. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance	43,279.	42,279.	41,279.	40,279.	
b Contributions	1,000.	1,000.	1,000.	1,000.	
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance	44,279.	43,279.	42,279.	41,279.	

- 2 Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:
- a Board designated or quasi-endowment _____ %
 - b Permanent endowment _____ %
 - c Temporarily restricted endowment _____ %
- The percentages in lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%.

- 3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:
- | | Yes | No |
|---|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| (i) unrelated organizations | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| (ii) related organizations | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

4 Describe in Part XIV the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land		1,908,473.		1,908,473.
b Buildings		527,874.		527,874.
c Leasehold improvements		21,725.	21,725.	0.
d Equipment		994,707.	893,037.	101,670.
e Other				
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)				2,538,017.

Part VII Investments - Other Securities. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely-held equity interests		
(3) Other		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
(I)		
Total. (Col (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 12.) ▶		

Part VIII Investments - Program Related. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment type	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
(10)		
Total. (Col (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 13.) ▶		

Part IX Other Assets. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 15.) ▶	

Part X Other Liabilities. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	
(11)	

Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 25.) ▶

FIN 48 (ASC 740) Footnote. In Part XIV, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740).

Part XI Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets from Form 990 to Audited Financial Statements

1	Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	9,106,846.
2	Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	8,784,862.
3	Excess or (deficit) for the year. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	321,984.
4	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	4	303,085.
5	Donated services and use of facilities	5	
6	Investment expenses	6	
7	Prior period adjustments	7	
8	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	8	
9	Total adjustments (net). Add lines 4 through 8	9	303,085.
10	Excess or (deficit) for the year per audited financial statements. Combine lines 3 and 9	10	625,069.

Part XII Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	9,584,282.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:		
a	Net unrealized gains on investments	2a	303,083.
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	2d	174,353.
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	477,436.
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	9,106,846.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	0.
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)	5	9,106,846.

Part XIII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	8,959,216.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Other losses	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	2d	174,354.
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	174,354.
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	8,784,862.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	0.
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)	5	8,784,862.

Part XIV Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, lines 1a and 4; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b; Part V, line 4; Part X, line 2; Part XI, line 8; Part XII, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XIII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

PART X, LINE 2: THE FOUNDATION IS EXEMPT FROM TAXATION UNDER INTERNAL

REVENUE CODE SECTION 501 (C) (3) AND CALIFORNIA REVENUE AND TAXATION CODE

SECTION 23701(D). THE FOUNDATION IS SUBJECT TO A 2% (1% IF CERTAIN

CRITERIA ARE MET) FEDERAL EXCISE TAX ON NET INVESTMENT INCOME.

AS REQUIRED BY FASB ASC NUMBER 740-10, "ACCOUNTING FOR UNCERTAINTY IN

INCOME TAXES," THE FOUNDATION RECOGNIZES THE EFFECT OF INCOME TAX

POSITIONS ONLY IF THOSE POSITIONS ARE MORE LIKELY THAN NOT OF BEING

Part XIV Supplemental Information (continued)

SUSTAINED. MANAGEMENT OF THE FOUNDATION DOES NOT BELIEVE THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS INCLUDE ANY UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS. THE FOUNDATION'S RETURNS FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2009, 2010, AND 2011, ARE SUBJECT TO EXAMINATION BY FEDERAL AND STATE TAXING AUTHORITIES, GENERALLY FOR THREE YEARS AFTER THEY ARE FILED.

PART XII, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:

REASON WEEKEND 174,353.

PART XIII, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:

REASON WEEKEND 174,353.

ROUNDING 1.

TOTAL TO SCHEDULE D, PART XIII, LINE 2D 174,354.

Part II Fundraising Events. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 18, or reported more than \$15,000 of fundraising event contributions and gross income on Form 990-EZ, lines 1 and 6b. List events with gross receipts greater than \$5,000.

		(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other events	(d) Total events (add col. (a) through col. (c))
		REASON WEEKEND	NONE	NONE	
		(event type)	(event type)	(total number)	
Revenue	1	Gross receipts	238,126.		238,126.
	2	Less: Charitable contributions	84,121.		84,121.
	3	Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)	154,005.		154,005.
Direct Expenses	4	Cash prizes			
	5	Noncash prizes			
	6	Rent/facility costs			
	7	Food and beverages			
	8	Entertainment			
	9	Other direct expenses	174,354.		174,354.
	10	Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d)			(174,354)
	11	Net income summary. Combine line 3, column (d), and line 10			-20,349.

Part III Gaming. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 19, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

		(a) Bingo	(b) Pull tabs/instant bingo/progressive bingo	(c) Other gaming	(d) Total gaming (add col. (a) through col. (c))
		1	Gross revenue		
Direct Expenses	2	Cash prizes			
	3	Noncash prizes			
	4	Rent/facility costs			
	5	Other direct expenses			
	6	Volunteer labor	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No
7	Direct expense summary. Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d)				(_____)
8	Net gaming income summary. Combine line 1, column d, and line 7				

9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization operates gaming activities: _____
 a Is the organization licensed to operate gaming activities in each of these states? Yes No
 b If "No," explain: _____

10a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended or terminated during the tax year? Yes No
 b If "Yes," explain: _____

**SCHEDULE J
(Form 990)**

Compensation Information

OMB No. 1545-0047

For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

2011

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 23.

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Internal Revenue Service

▶ Attach to Form 990. ▶ See separate instructions.

Name of the organization

THE REASON FOUNDATION

Employer identification number
95-3298239

Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

	Yes	No								
<p>1a Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef)</td> </tr> </table>	<input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel	<input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use	<input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions	<input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments	<input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees	<input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef)		
<input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel	<input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use									
<input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions	<input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence									
<input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments	<input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees									
<input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef)									
<p>b If any of the boxes on line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain</p>	1b									
<p>2 Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all officers, directors, trustees, and the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?</p>	2									
<p>3 Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director. Explain in Part III.</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee</td> </tr> </table>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract	<input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract									
<input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study									
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee									
<p>4 During the year, did any person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing organization or a related organization:</p> <p>a Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?</p> <p>b Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?</p> <p>c Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?</p> <p>If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.</p>	4a	X								
	4b	X								
	4c	X								
<p>Only section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete lines 5-9.</p> <p>5 For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:</p> <p>a The organization?</p> <p>b Any related organization?</p> <p>If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.</p>	5a	X								
	5b	X								
<p>6 For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of:</p> <p>a The organization?</p> <p>b Any related organization?</p> <p>If "Yes" to line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.</p>	6a	X								
	6b	X								
<p>7 For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III</p>	7	X								
<p>8 Were any amounts reported in Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III</p>	8	X								
<p>9 If "Yes" to line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?</p>	9									

Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported in Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII.

Note. The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

(A) Name		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation reported as deferred in prior Form 990
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
1 DAVID NOTT	(i)	212,231.	75,000.	0.	0.	0.	287,231.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
2 ROBERT W. POOLE, JR.	(i)	223,322.	30,000.	0.	0.	0.	253,322.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
3 MICHAEL ALISSI	(i)	121,667.	38,000.	0.	0.	0.	159,667.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
4 NICHOLAS GILLESPIE	(i)	175,807.	30,000.	0.	0.	0.	205,807.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
5 JONATHAN GRAFF	(i)	132,309.	25,000.	0.	0.	0.	157,309.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
6 ADRIAN T. MOORE	(i)	142,282.	30,000.	0.	0.	0.	172,282.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
7	(i)							
	(ii)							
8	(i)							
	(ii)							
9	(i)							
	(ii)							
10	(i)							
	(ii)							
11	(i)							
	(ii)							
12	(i)							
	(ii)							
13	(i)							
	(ii)							
14	(i)							
	(ii)							
15	(i)							
	(ii)							
16	(i)							
	(ii)							

Part IV Business Transactions Involving Interested Persons.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 28a, 28b, or 28c.

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship between interested person and the organization	(c) Amount of transaction	(d) Description of transaction	(e) Sharing of organization's revenues?	
				Yes	No
TERI MOORE	OFFICER'S SPOUSE	4,548.	RUNS A COMP		X

Part V Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule L (see instructions).

SCH L, PART IV, BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING INTERESTED PERSONS:

(A) NAME OF PERSON: TERI MOORE

(D) DESCRIPTION OF TRANSACTION: RUNS A COMPANY WHICH PERFORMS EDITING SERVICES FOR THE FOUNDATION STUDIES.

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.
▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

Name of the organization

THE REASON FOUNDATION

Employer identification number
95-3298239

FORM 990, PART I, LINE 1, DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION MISSION:

INDIVIDUAL LIBERTY, FREE MARKETS, AND THE RULE OF LAW. WE USE
JOURNALISM AND PUBLIC POLICY RESEARCH TO INFLUENCE THE FRAMEWORKS AND
ACTIONS OF POLICYMAKERS, JOURNALISTS, AND OPINION LEADERS.

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 1, DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION MISSION:

OPINION LEADERS.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11: PRIOR TO FILING WITH THE IRS THE
DRAFT 990 WILL BE EMAILED TO THE ENTIRE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR REVIEW,
FEEDBACK WILL BE PROVIDED TO THE CFO.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C: TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS OF THE
FOUNDATION WILL COMPLETE A FORM TO CERTIFY THAT THERE ARE NO EXISTING
CONFLICTS. IF THERE ARE ANY CHANGES TO THAT STATUS THEY WILL COMPLETE AND
SUBMIT ANOTHER FORM.

OTHER EMPLOYEES HAVE CERTIFIED THAT THEY ARE AWARE OF THE POLICY AND WILL
DISCUSS AND POTENTIAL CONFLICTS WITH THEIR IMMEDIATE SUPERVISOR.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15: COMPARABLE DATA WAS ASSEMBLED FROM
PUBLIC 990 FILINGS FOR SIMILAR POSITIONS WITHIN OTHER NONPROFIT
ORGANIZATIONS AND PRESENTED TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF
TRUSTEES WITH RECOMMENDATIONS FOR COMPENSATION. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE THEN
DISCUSSED AND APPROVED COMPENSATION IN AN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING OF
THE FULL BOARD.

Name of the organization THE REASON FOUNDATION	Employer identification number 95-3298239
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FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 17, LIST OF STATES RECEIVING COPY OF FORM 990:
 AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, FL, GA, HI, IL, KS, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH
 OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, TN, UT, VA, WA, DC, WV, WI, KY, LA, MO

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19: UPON REQUEST THE DOCUMENTS WILL BE
 MAILED OR E-MAILED TO THE REQUESTING PARTY.

FORM 990, PART XI, LINE 5, CHANGES IN NET ASSETS:
 NET UNREALIZED GAINS ON INVESTMENTS: 303,085.

FORM 990, PART XI, LINE 2C
 THE ORGANIZATION'S AUDIT COMMITTEE ASSUMES OVERSIGHT OVER THE AUDIT
 PROCESS AND REVIEWS AND APPROVES THE AUDIT. THIS PROCESS HAS REMAINED
 THE SAME AS PRIOR YEAR.

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Asset No.	Description	Date Acquired	Method	Life	Conv	Line No.	Unadjusted Cost Or Basis	Bus % Excl	Section 179 Expense	* Reduction In Basis	Basis For Depreciation	Beginning Accumulated Depreciation	Current Sec 179 Expense	Current Year Deduction	Ending Accumulated Depreciation
	MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL														
1	FURNITURE & FIXTURES	VARIOUS	SL	3.00		16	880,899.				880,899.	866,124.		9,131.	875,255.
2	LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS	VARIOUS	SL	5.00		16	21,725.				21,725.	21,725.		0.	21,725.
3	FURNITURE & FIXTURES	07/01/10	SL	3.00		16	20,848.				20,848.	4,585.		6,949.	11,534.
4	MACBOOK PRO DC OFFICE	12/01/11	SL	3.00		16	2,755.				2,755.			765.	765.
5	IMAC LA OFFICE (SHARIF)	12/01/11	SL	3.00		16	2,499.				2,499.			694.	694.
6	IMAC LA OFFICE (ALEX)	12/01/11	SL	3.00		16	2,775.				2,775.			771.	771.
7	MONITOR LA OFFICE	12/01/11	SL	3.00		16	1,024.				1,024.			284.	284.
8	LAPTOP KATIE HOOKS	01/01/12	SL	3.00		16	1,298.				1,298.			325.	325.
9	MACBOOK PRO CHARLOTTE	05/01/12	SL	3.00		16	2,371.				2,371.			329.	329.
10	COMPUTER FOR CATHY R.	05/01/12	SL	3.00		16	1,431.				1,431.			199.	199.
11	COMPUTER FOR BARB BURCH	05/01/12	SL	3.00		16	2,383.				2,383.			331.	331.
12	COMPUTER FOR BOB POOLE	07/01/12	SL	3.00		16	1,557.				1,557.			130.	130.
13	2 SONY NEXFS700 CAMERAS DC	08/01/12	SL	3.00		16	15,998.				15,998.			889.	889.
14	2 SONY NEXFS700 CAMERAS LA	08/01/12	SL	3.00		16	15,998.				15,998.			889.	889.
15	2 SONY NEXFS700 CAMERAS NY	08/01/12	SL	3.00		16	15,998.				15,998.			889.	889.
16	LEXMARK COPIER DC	09/01/12	SL	3.00		16	6,269.				6,269.			174.	174.
17	OFFICE CHAIRS FOR LA OFFICE	10/01/12	SL	3.00		16	13,919.				13,919.			0.	

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Asset No.	Description	Date Acquired	Method	Life	Conv	Line No.	Unadjusted Cost Or Basis	Bus % Excl	Section 179 Expense	* Reduction In Basis	Basis For Depreciation	Beginning Accumulated Depreciation	Current Sec 179 Expense	Current Year Deduction	Ending Accumulated Depreciation
18	COPY MACHINE	10/01/12	SL	3.00		16	5,758.				5,758.			0.	
19	BUILDING	10/01/12	SL	39.00		16	527,874.				527,874.			0.	
20	LAND	10/01/12	L				1,908,473.				1,908,473.			0.	
	* 990 PAGE 10 TOTAL														
	MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL						3,451,852.				3,451,852.	892,434.		22,749.	915,183.
	* GRAND TOTAL 990 PAGE 10														
	DEPR						3,451,852.				3,451,852.	892,434.		22,749.	915,183.

Exempt Organization Business Income Tax Return

(and proxy tax under section 6033(e))

2011

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

For calendar year 2011 or other tax year beginning **OCT 1, 2011** and ending **SEP 30, 2012**

Open to Public Inspection for
501(c)(3) Organizations Only

A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Check box if address changed	B Exempt under section <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 408(e) <input type="checkbox"/> 220(e) <input type="checkbox"/> 408A <input type="checkbox"/> 530(a) <input type="checkbox"/> 529(a)	Print or Type	Name of organization (<input type="checkbox"/> Check box if name changed and see instructions.) THE REASON FOUNDATION Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions. 5737 MESMER AVENUE City or town, state, and ZIP code LOS ANGELES, CA 90230-6316	D Employer identification number (Employees' trust, see instructions.) 95-3298239 E Unrelated business activity codes (See instructions.) 511120
C Book value of all assets at end of year 7,352,487.	F Group exemption number (See instructions.)			
G Check organization type <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c) corporation <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) trust <input type="checkbox"/> 401(a) trust <input type="checkbox"/> Other trust				

H Describe the organization's primary unrelated business activity. **SEE STATEMENT 1**

I During the tax year, was the corporation a subsidiary in an affiliated group or a parent-subsidiary controlled group? Yes No
If "Yes," enter the name and identifying number of the parent corporation.

J The books are in care of **JONATHAN GRAFF** Telephone number **(310) 391-2245**

Part I Unrelated Trade or Business Income	(A) Income	(B) Expenses	(C) Net
1a Gross receipts or sales			
b Less returns and allowances c Balance	1c		
2 Cost of goods sold (Schedule A, line 7)	2		
3 Gross profit. Subtract line 2 from line 1c	3		
4a Capital gain net income (attach Schedule D)	4a		
b Net gain (loss) (Form 4797, Part II, line 17) (attach Form 4797)	4b		
c Capital loss deduction for trusts	4c		
5 Income (loss) from partnerships and S corporations (attach statement)	5		
6 Rent income (Schedule C)	6		
7 Unrelated debt-financed income (Schedule E)	7		
8 Interest, annuities, royalties, and rents from controlled organizations (Sch. F)	8		
9 Investment income of a section 501(c)(7), (9), or (17) organization (Schedule G)	9		
10 Exploited exempt activity income (Schedule I)	10	16,939.	3,886.
11 Advertising income (Schedule J)	11	120,176.	117,899.
12 Other income (See instructions; attach schedule.)	12		
13 Total. Combine lines 3 through 12	13	137,115.	121,785.

Part II Deductions Not Taken Elsewhere (See instructions for limitations on deductions.)
(Except for contributions, deductions must be directly connected with the unrelated business income.)

14 Compensation of officers, directors, and trustees (Schedule K)	14	
15 Salaries and wages	15	
16 Repairs and maintenance	16	
17 Bad debts	17	
18 Interest (attach schedule)	18	
19 Taxes and licenses	19	
20 Charitable contributions (See instructions for limitation rules.)	20	
21 Depreciation (attach Form 4562)	21	
22 Less depreciation claimed on Schedule A and elsewhere on return	22a	22b
23 Depletion	23	
24 Contributions to deferred compensation plans	24	
25 Employee benefit programs	25	
26 Excess exempt expenses (Schedule I)	26	
27 Excess readership costs (Schedule J)	27	
28 Other deductions (attach schedule)	28	
29 Total deductions. Add lines 14 through 28	29	0.
30 Unrelated business taxable income before net operating loss deduction. Subtract line 29 from line 13	30	15,330.
31 Net operating loss deduction (limited to the amount on line 30)	31	15,330.
32 Unrelated business taxable income before specific deduction. Subtract line 31 from line 30	32	0.
33 Specific deduction (Generally \$1,000, but see instructions for exceptions.)	33	1,000.
34 Unrelated business taxable income. Subtract line 33 from line 32. If line 33 is greater than line 32, enter the smaller of zero or line 32	34	0.

Part III Tax Computation

35 Organizations Taxable as Corporations. See instructions for tax computation.
36 Trusts Taxable at Trust Rates. See instructions for tax computation.
37 Proxy tax. See instructions
38 Alternative minimum tax
39 Total. Add lines 37 and 38 to line 35c or 36, whichever applies

Part IV Tax and Payments

40a Foreign tax credit (corporations attach Form 1118; trusts attach Form 1116)
40b Other credits (see instructions)
40c General business credit. Attach Form 3800
40d Credit for prior year minimum tax (attach Form 8801 or 8827)
40e Total credits. Add lines 40a through 40d
41 Subtract line 40e from line 39
42 Other taxes. Check if from: Form 4255 Form 8611 Form 8697 Form 8866 Other (attach schedule)
43 Total tax. Add lines 41 and 42
44a Payments: A 2010 overpayment credited to 2011
44b 2011 estimated tax payments
44c Tax deposited with Form 8868
44d Foreign organizations: Tax paid or withheld at source (see instructions)
44e Backup withholding (see instructions)
44f Credit for small employer health insurance premiums (Attach Form 8941)
44g Other credits and payments: Form 2439 Form 4136 Other
45 Total payments. Add lines 44a through 44g
46 Estimated tax penalty (see instructions). Check if Form 2220 is attached
47 Tax due. If line 45 is less than the total of lines 43 and 46, enter amount owed
48 Overpayment. If line 45 is larger than the total of lines 43 and 46, enter amount overpaid
49 Enter the amount of line 48 you want: Credited to 2012 estimated tax Refunded

Part V Statements Regarding Certain Activities and Other Information (see instructions)

1 At any time during the 2011 calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account (bank, securities, or other) in a foreign country? If YES, the organization may have to file Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts. If YES, enter the name of the foreign country here
2 During the tax year, did the organization receive a distribution from, or was it the grantor of, or transferor to, a foreign trust? If YES, see instructions for other forms the organization may have to file.
3 Enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year

Schedule A - Cost of Goods Sold. Enter method of inventory valuation N/A

1 Inventory at beginning of year
2 Purchases
3 Cost of labor
4a Additional section 263A costs
4b Other costs (attach schedule)
5 Total. Add lines 1 through 4b
6 Inventory at end of year
7 Cost of goods sold. Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter here and in Part I, line 2
8 Do the rules of section 263A (with respect to property produced or acquired for resale) apply to the organization?

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.

Sign Here
Signature of officer: [Signature] Date: [Date]
Title: PRESIDENT AND CEO
May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown below (see instructions)? [X] Yes [] No

Paid Preparer Use Only
Print/Type preparer's name: JENIFER SIOU
Preparer's signature: [Signature]
Date: [Date]
Check [] if self-employed [] if PTIN: P00616514
Firm's name: NSBN LLP
Firm's EIN: 95-2399533
Firm's address: 9454 WILSHIRE BLVD., 4TH FLOOR BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90212-2907
Phone no.: (310) 273-2501

Schedule C - Rent Income (From Real Property and Personal Property Leased With Real Property) (see instructions)

1. Description of property

(1)
(2)
(3)
(4)

2. Rent received or accrued		3(a) Deductions directly connected with the income in columns 2(a) and 2(b) (attach schedule)
(a) From personal property (if the percentage of rent for personal property is more than 10% but not more than 50%)	(b) From real and personal property (if the percentage of rent for personal property exceeds 50% or if the rent is based on profit or income)	
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
Total	0.	Total 0.

(c) **Total income.** Add totals of columns 2(a) and 2(b). Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 6, column (A) **0.** (b) **Total deductions.** Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 6, column (B) **0.**

Schedule E - Unrelated Debt-Financed Income (see instructions)

1. Description of debt-financed property	2. Gross income from or allocable to debt-financed property	3. Deductions directly connected with or allocable to debt-financed property		
		(a) Straight line depreciation (attach schedule)	(b) Other deductions (attach schedule)	
(1)				
(2)				
(3)				
(4)				
4. Amount of average acquisition debt on or allocable to debt-financed property (attach schedule)	5. Average adjusted basis of or allocable to debt-financed property (attach schedule)	6. Column 4 divided by column 5	7. Gross income reportable (column 2 x column 6)	8. Allocable deductions (column 6 x total of columns 3(a) and 3(b))
(1)		%		
(2)		%		
(3)		%		
(4)		%		
Totals			Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 7, column (A). 0.	Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 7, column (B). 0.
Total dividends received deductions included in column 8			0.	0.

Schedule F - Interest, Annuities, Royalties, and Rents From Controlled Organizations (see instructions)

1. Name of controlled organization	2. Employer identification number	Exempt Controlled Organizations			
		3. Net unrelated income (loss) (see instructions)	4. Total of specified payments made	5. Part of column 4 that is included in the controlling organization's gross income	6. Deductions directly connected with income in column 5
(1)					
(2)					
(3)					
(4)					

Nonexempt Controlled Organizations

7. Taxable income	8. Net unrelated income (loss) (see instructions)	9. Total of specified payments made	10. Part of column 9 that is included in the controlling organization's gross income	11. Deductions directly connected with income in column 10
(1)				
(2)				
(3)				
(4)				
Totals			Add columns 5 and 10. Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 8, column (A). 0.	Add columns 6 and 11. Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 8, column (B). 0.

Schedule G - Investment Income of a Section 501(c)(7), (9), or (17) Organization
(see instructions)

1. Description of income	2. Amount of income	3. Deductions directly connected (attach schedule)	4. Set-asides (attach schedule)	5. Total deductions and set-asides (col. 3 plus col. 4)
(1)				
(2)				
(3)				
(4)				
Totals	0.			0.

Schedule I - Exploited Exempt Activity Income, Other Than Advertising Income
(see instructions)

1. Description of exploited activity	2. Gross unrelated business income from trade or business	3. Expenses directly connected with production of unrelated business income	4. Net income (loss) from unrelated trade or business (column 2 minus column 3). If a gain, compute cols. 5 through 7.	5. Gross income from activity that is not unrelated business income	6. Expenses attributable to column 5	7. Excess exempt expenses (column 6 minus column 5, but not more than column 4).
(1) MAILING LIST						
(2) RENTAL	16,939.	3,886.	13,053.			
(3)						
(4)						
Totals	16,939.	3,886.				0.

Schedule J - Advertising Income (see instructions)

Part I Income From Periodicals Reported on a Consolidated Basis

1. Name of periodical	2. Gross advertising income	3. Direct advertising costs	4. Advertising gain or (loss) (col. 2 minus col. 3). If a gain, compute cols. 5 through 7.	5. Circulation income	6. Readership costs	7. Excess readership costs (column 6 minus column 5, but not more than column 4).
(1)						
(2)						
(3)						
(4)						
Totals (carry to Part II, line (5))	0.	0.				0.

Part II Income From Periodicals Reported on a Separate Basis (For each periodical listed in Part II, fill in columns 2 through 7 on a line-by-line basis.)

1. Name of periodical	2. Gross advertising income	3. Direct advertising costs	4. Advertising gain or (loss) (col. 2 minus col. 3). If a gain, compute cols. 5 through 7.	5. Circulation income	6. Readership costs	7. Excess readership costs (column 6 minus column 5, but not more than column 4).
(1) REASON MAGAZINE	120,176.	117,899.	2,277.			
(2)						
(3)						
(4)						
(5) Totals from Part I	0.	0.				0.
Totals, Part II (lines 1-5)	120,176.	117,899.				0.

Schedule K - Compensation of Officers, Directors, and Trustees (see instructions)

1. Name	2. Title	3. Percent of time devoted to business	4. Compensation attributable to unrelated business
(1)		%	
(2)		%	
(3)		%	
(4)		%	
Total. Enter here and on page 1, Part II, line 14			0.

FORM 990-T	DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION'S PRIMARY UNRELATED BUSINESS ACTIVITY	STATEMENT	1
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THE REASON FOUNDATION PUBLISHES REASON MAGAZINE ON A MONTHLY BASIS. THE MAGAZINE GENERATES UNRELATED BUSINESS INCOME IN THE FORM OF MAGAZINE ADVERTISING.

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	FOOTNOTES	STATEMENT	2
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ELECTION TO WAIVE THE NET OPERATING LOSS CARRYBACK PERIOD

THE REASON FOUNDATION ELECTS, PURSUANT TO SEC. 172(B)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, TO RELINQUISH THE ENTIRE CARRYBACK PERIOD WITH RESPECT TO THE NET OPERATING LOSS INCURRED FOR THE TAX YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2012, AND WILL HAVE SUCH LOSS AVAILABLE FOR CARRYFORWARD ONLY.

FORM 990-T SCHEDULE I - EXPENSES DIRECTLY CONNECTED WITH STATEMENT 3
 PRODUCTION OF UNRELATED BUSINESS INCOME

DESCRIPTION	ACTIVITY NUMBER	AMOUNT	TOTAL
LIST PREPARATION AND MEDIA		3,886.	
- SUBTOTAL -	1		3,886.
TOTAL OF FORM 990-T, SCHEDULE I, COLUMN 3			3,886.

Depreciation and Amortization 990
(Including Information on Listed Property)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service (99)

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

Attachment
Sequence No. 179

Name(s) shown on return

Business or activity to which this form relates

Identifying number

THE REASON FOUNDATION

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Part I Election To Expense Certain Property Under Section 179 Note: If you have any listed property, complete Part V before you complete Part I.

1	Maximum amount (see instructions)	1	500,000.
2	Total cost of section 179 property placed in service (see instructions)	2	
3	Threshold cost of section 179 property before reduction in limitation	3	2,000,000.
4	Reduction in limitation. Subtract line 3 from line 2. If zero or less, enter -0-	4	
5	Dollar limitation for tax year. Subtract line 4 from line 1. If zero or less, enter -0-. If married filing separately, see instructions	5	
6	(a) Description of property	(b) Cost (business use only)	(c) Elected cost
7	Listed property. Enter the amount from line 29	7	
8	Total elected cost of section 179 property. Add amounts in column (c), lines 6 and 7	8	
9	Tentative deduction. Enter the smaller of line 5 or line 8	9	
10	Carryover of disallowed deduction from line 13 of your 2010 Form 4562	10	
11	Business income limitation. Enter the smaller of business income (not less than zero) or line 5	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 2012. 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.)

14	Special depreciation allowance for qualified property (other than listed property) placed in service during the tax year	14	
15	Property subject to section 168(f)(1) election	15	
16	Other depreciation (including ACRS)	16	22,749.

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 2011	17	
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 2011 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 2011 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 instr.	22	22,749.
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	

Part V Listed Property (Include automobiles, certain other vehicles, certain computers, and property used for entertainment, recreation, or amusement.)
Note: For any vehicle for which you are using the standard mileage rate or deducting lease expense, complete only 24a, 24b, columns (a) through (c) of Section A, all of Section B, and Section C if applicable.

Section A - Depreciation and Other Information (Caution: See the instructions for limits for passenger automobiles.)

24a Do you have evidence to support the business/investment use claimed? Yes No **24b** If "Yes," is the evidence written? Yes No

(a) Type of property (list vehicles first)	(b) Date placed in service	(c) Business/ investment use percentage	(d) Cost or other basis	(e) Basis for depreciation (business/investment use only)	(f) Recovery period	(g) Method/ Convention	(h) Depreciation deduction	(i) Elected section 179 cost
25 Special depreciation allowance for qualified listed property placed in service during the tax year and used more than 50% in a qualified business use..... 25								
26 Property used more than 50% in a qualified business use:								
	:	:	%					
	:	:	%					
	:	:	%					
27 Property used 50% or less in a qualified business use:								
	:	:	%			S/L -		
	:	:	%			S/L -		
	:	:	%			S/L -		
28 Add amounts in column (h), lines 25 through 27. Enter here and on line 21, page 1								28
29 Add amounts in column (i), line 26. Enter here and on line 7, page 1								29

Section B - Information on Use of Vehicles

Complete this section for vehicles used by a sole proprietor, partner, or other "more than 5% owner," or related person. If you provided vehicles to your employees, first answer the questions in Section C to see if you meet an exception to completing this section for those vehicles.

	(a) Vehicle		(b) Vehicle		(c) Vehicle		(d) Vehicle		(e) Vehicle		(f) Vehicle	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
30 Total business/investment miles driven during the year (do not include commuting miles)												
31 Total commuting miles driven during the year												
32 Total other personal (noncommuting) miles driven												
33 Total miles driven during the year. Add lines 30 through 32												
34 Was the vehicle available for personal use during off-duty hours?												
35 Was the vehicle used primarily by a more than 5% owner or related person?												
36 Is another vehicle available for personal use?												

Section C - Questions for Employers Who Provide Vehicles for Use by Their Employees

Answer these questions to determine if you meet an exception to completing Section B for vehicles used by employees who are not more than 5% owners or related persons.

	Yes	No
37 Do you maintain a written policy statement that prohibits all personal use of vehicles, including commuting, by your employees?		
38 Do you maintain a written policy statement that prohibits personal use of vehicles, except commuting, by your employees? See the instructions for vehicles used by corporate officers, directors, or 1% or more owners		
39 Do you treat all use of vehicles by employees as personal use?		
40 Do you provide more than five vehicles to your employees, obtain information from your employees about the use of the vehicles, and retain the information received?		
41 Do you meet the requirements concerning qualified automobile demonstration use?		

Note: If your answer to 37, 38, 39, 40, or 41 is "Yes," do not complete Section B for the covered vehicles.

Part VI Amortization

(a) Description of costs	(b) Date amortization begins	(c) Amortizable amount	(d) Code section	(e) Amortization period or percentage	(f) Amortization for this year
42 Amortization of costs that begins during your 2011 tax year:					
	:	:			
	:	:			
43 Amortization of costs that began before your 2011 tax year					43
44 Total. Add amounts in column (f). See the instructions for where to report					44

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Asset No.	Description	Date Acquired	Method	Life	Line No.	Unadjusted Cost Or Basis	Bus % Excl	* Reduction In Basis	Basis For Depreciation	Accumulated Depreciation	Current Sec 179	Current Year Deduction
	MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL											
1	FURNITURE & FIXTURES	VARIES	SSL	3.00	16	880,899.			880,899.	866,124.		9,131.
2	LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS	VARIES	SSL	5.00	16	21,725.			21,725.	21,725.		0.
3	FURNITURE & FIXTURES	070110	SL	3.00	16	20,848.			20,848.	4,585.		6,949.
4	MACBOOK PRO DC OFFICE	120111	SL	3.00	16	2,755.			2,755.			765.
5	IMAC LA OFFICE (SHARIF)	120111	SL	3.00	16	2,499.			2,499.			694.
6	IMAC LA OFFICE (ALEX)	120111	SL	3.00	16	2,775.			2,775.			771.
7	MONITOR LA OFFICE	120111	SL	3.00	16	1,024.			1,024.			284.
8	LAPTOP KATIE HOOKS	010112	SL	3.00	16	1,298.			1,298.			325.
9	MACBOOK PRO CHARLOTTE	050112	SL	3.00	16	2,371.			2,371.			329.
10	COMPUTER FOR CATHY R.	050112	SL	3.00	16	1,431.			1,431.			199.
11	COMPUTER FOR BARB BURCH	050112	SL	3.00	16	2,383.			2,383.			331.
12	COMPUTER FOR BOB POOLE	070112	SL	3.00	16	1,557.			1,557.			130.
13	2 SONY NEXFS700 CAMERAS DC	080112	SL	3.00	16	15,998.			15,998.			889.
14	2 SONY NEXFS700 CAMERAS LA	080112	SL	3.00	16	15,998.			15,998.			889.
15	2 SONY NEXFS700 CAMERAS NY	080112	SL	3.00	16	15,998.			15,998.			889.
16	LEXMARK COPIER DC OFFICE CHAIRS FOR	090112	SL	3.00	16	6,269.			6,269.			174.
17	LA OFFICE	100112	SL	3.00	16	13,919.			13,919.			0.

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Asset No.	Description	Date Acquired	Method	Life	Line No.	Unadjusted Cost Or Basis	Bus % Excl	* Reduction In Basis	Basis For Depreciation	Accumulated Depreciation	Current Sec 179	Current Year Deduction
18	COPY MACHINE	100112	SL	3.00	16	5,758.			5,758.			0.
19	BUILDING	100112	SL	39.00	16	527,874.			527,874.			0.
20	LAND	100112	L			1908473.			1908473.			0.
	* 990 PAGE 10 TOTAL MANAGEMENT AND GEN					3451852.			3451852.	892,434.		22,749.
	* GRAND TOTAL 990 PAGE 10 DEPR					3451852.			3451852.	892,434.		22,749.

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Asset No.	Description	Date Acquired	Method	Life	Unadjusted Cost Or Basis	* Reduction In Basis	Basis For Depreciation	Accumulated Depreciation	Amount Of Depreciation
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL									
1	FURNITURE & FIXTURES	VARI	ESSL	3.00	880,899.		880,899.	875,255.	5,644.
2	LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS	VARI	ESSL	5.00	21,725.		21,725.	21,725.	0.
3	FURNITURE & FIXTURES	070110	SL	3.00	20,848.		20,848.	11,534.	6,949.
4	MACBOOK PRO DC OFFICE	120111	SL	3.00	2,755.		2,755.	765.	918.
5	IMAC LA OFFICE (SHARIF)	120111	SL	3.00	2,499.		2,499.	694.	833.
6	IMAC LA OFFICE (ALEX)	120111	SL	3.00	2,775.		2,775.	771.	925.
7	MONTIOR LA OFFICE	120111	SL	3.00	1,024.		1,024.	284.	341.
8	LAPTOP KATIE HOOKS	010112	SL	3.00	1,298.		1,298.	325.	433.
9	MACBOOK PRO CHARLOTTE	050112	SL	3.00	2,371.		2,371.	329.	790.
10	COMPUTER FOR CATHY R.	050112	SL	3.00	1,431.		1,431.	199.	477.
11	COMPUTER FOR BARB BURCH	050112	SL	3.00	2,383.		2,383.	331.	794.
12	COMPUTER FOR BOB POOLE	070112	SL	3.00	1,557.		1,557.	130.	519.
13	2 SONY NEXFS700 CAMERAS DC	080112	SL	3.00	15,998.		15,998.	889.	5,333.
14	2 SONY NEXFS700 CAMERAS LA	080112	SL	3.00	15,998.		15,998.	889.	5,333.
15	2 SONY NEXFS700 CAMERAS NY	080112	SL	3.00	15,998.		15,998.	889.	5,333.
16	LEXMARK COPIER DC	090112	SL	3.00	6,269.		6,269.	174.	2,090.
17	OFFICE CHAIRS FOR LA OFFICE	100112	SL	3.00	13,919.		13,919.		0.
18	COPY MACHINE	100112	SL	3.00	5,758.		5,758.		0.
19	BUILDING	100112	SL	39.00	527,874.		527,874.		0.
20	LAND	100112	L		1908473.		1908473.		0.
	* 990 PAGE 10 TOTAL MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL				3451852.		3451852.	915,183.	36,712.
	* GRAND TOTAL 990 PAGE 10 DEPR				3451852.		3451852.	915,183.	36,712.