


<p>Form <b>990</b></p>  <p>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</p>	<p><b>Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax</b></p> <p><b>Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)</b></p> <p>▶ The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements</p>	<p>OMB No 1545-0047</p> <p><b>2008</b></p> <p><b>Open to Public Inspection</b></p>
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<b>A For the 2008 calendar year, or tax year beginning 01-01-2008 and ending 12-31-2008</b>		<b>D Employer identification number</b> 04-2121305	
<b>B</b> Check if applicable <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Termination <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	<b>Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.</b>	<b>C Name of organization</b> AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR ECONOMIC RESEARCH	
		Doing Business As	
		<b>Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address)</b> 250 DIVISION ST PO BOX 1000	<b>Room/suite</b> 
		<b>City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4</b> GREAT BARRINGTON, MA 01230	
<b>F Name and address of Principal Officer</b> CHARLES E MURRAY 250 DIVISION STREET GREAT BARRINGTON, MA 01230		<b>H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>I Tax-exempt status</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c) ( 3 ) <input type="checkbox"/> (insert no ) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527		<b>H(b) Are all affiliates included?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (If "No," attach a list See instructions )	
<b>J Web site:</b> WWW AIER.ORG		<b>H(c) Group Exemption Number</b>	
<b>K Type of organization</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> trust <input type="checkbox"/> association <input type="checkbox"/> other		<b>L Year of Formation</b> 1939	<b>M State of legal domicile</b> MA

Part I Summary			
Activities & Governance	<b>1</b> Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities  AIER conducts independent, scientific, economic research to educate individuals, thereby advancing their personal interests and those of the Nation		
	<b>2</b> Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its assets		
	<b>3</b> Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a) . . . . . <b>3</b> <u>13</u>		
	<b>4</b> Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b) . . . . . <b>4</b> <u>12</u>		
	<b>5</b> Total number of employees (Part V, line 2a) . . . . . <b>5</b> <u>33</u>		
	<b>6</b> Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary) . . . . . <b>6</b> <u>0</u>		
	<b>7a</b> Total gross unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, line 12, column (C) . . . <b>7a</b> <u>0</u>		
	<b>b</b> Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34 . . . <b>7b</b> <u>0</u>		
Revenue		<b>Prior Year</b>	<b>Current Year</b>
	<b>8</b> Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h) . . . . .	1,723,500	1,645,930
	<b>9</b> Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g) . . . . .	1,291,181	1,193,947
	<b>10</b> Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d) . . . . .	405,215	337,170
	<b>11</b> Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	318,236	35,032
	<b>12</b> Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	3,738,132	3,212,079
Expenses	<b>13</b> Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	94,500	89,450
	<b>14</b> Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		0
	<b>15</b> Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)	2,191,109	2,172,839
	<b>16a</b> Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)		0
	<b>b</b> (Total fundraising expenses, Part IX, column (D), line 25 <u>165,461</u> )		
	<b>17</b> Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24f)	3,161,193	2,992,684
	<b>18</b> Total expenses—add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, line 25, column (A))	5,446,802	5,254,973
	<b>19</b> Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12	-1,708,670	-2,042,894
	Net Assets or Fund Balances		<b>Beginning of Year</b>
<b>20</b> Total assets (Part X, line 16)		164,739,200	125,567,630
<b>21</b> Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)		87,158,998	64,687,165
<b>22</b> Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20		77,580,202	60,880,465

<b>Part II</b>	<b>Signature Block</b>	
<b>Please Sign Here</b>	Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including attachments, if any, and the information therein, and I declare that it is true, correct, and complete Declaration of preparer (other than officer) if preparer's name appears in block 10.	
	<div data-bbox="152 2252 173 2277">▶</div> <div data-bbox="182 2252 254 2269">*****</div> <div data-bbox="182 2280 360 2299">Signature of officer</div> <hr/> <div data-bbox="152 2326 173 2368">▶</div> <div data-bbox="182 2326 483 2346">CHARLES E MURRAY PRESIDENT</div> <div data-bbox="182 2351 439 2373">Type or print name and title</div>	
<b>Paid Preparer's Use Only</b>	<div data-bbox="152 2390 290 2458">Preparer's signature</div> <div data-bbox="290 2420 315 2469">▶</div> <div data-bbox="329 2433 483 2453">Kevin T McGrath</div>	Date
	<div data-bbox="152 2502 404 2568">Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4</div> <div data-bbox="404 2510 431 2557">▶</div> <div data-bbox="404 2560 577 2579">BST ADVISORS LLC</div> <hr/> <div data-bbox="404 2606 661 2626">26 COMPUTER DRIVE WEST</div> <hr/> <div data-bbox="404 2653 580 2672">ALBANY, NY 12205</div>	

Part III

Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (See the instructions.)

1

Briefly describe the organization’s mission

See Additional Data Table

- 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 ☒ 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 ☒ No
- If “Yes,” describe these changes on Schedule O
- 4
- Describe the exempt purpose achievements for each of the organization’s three largest program services by expenses
- Section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 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 \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

RESEARCH REPORTS - PREPARATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF BIWEEKLY ECONOMIC REPORTS WHICH DISCUSS SELECTED TOPICS IN THE AREAS OF FISCAL AND MONETARY ECONOMICS THESE REPORTS REFLECT THE ONGOING RESEARCH AND ARE DISTRIBUTED TO MEMBERS AND TO OTHERS DURING THIS YEAR, APPROXIMATELY 10,685 INDIVIDUALS, INSTITUTIONS AND PUBLISHERS RECEIVED THE REPORTS (THIS REPRESENTS THE AVERAGE NUMBER OF SUBSCRIBERS TO RESEARCH REPORTS )

4b

(Code ) (Expenses \$ 3,724,885 including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

ECONOMIC EDUCATION BULLETINS - PREPARATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF OCCASIONAL BOOKLETS IN THE AREAS OF FISCAL AND MONETARY ECONOMICS, REFLECTING DETAILED ANALYSIS OF PARTICULAR SUBJECTS WITH SOME EMPHASIS ON PERSONAL ECONOMIC PROBLEMS RESEARCH AND PRODUCTION IS INTEGRATED WITH RESEARCH REPORTS (ABOVE) APPROXIMATELY 111,687 WERE DISTRIBUTED TO SUSTAINING MEMBERS OR SOLD ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS DURING THIS YEAR

4c

(Code ) (Expenses \$ 477,172 including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM - FELLOWS ARE SELECTED FROM PROMISING COLLEGE OR GRADUATE LEVEL STUDENTS OF ECONOMICS OR FINANCE TO ATTEND SEMINARS AND CONDUCT INDEPENDENT RESEARCH AND STUDY AT AIER AS A SUPPLEMENT TO THEIR REGULAR CURRICULUM

(Code ) (Expenses \$ 90,066 including grants of \$ 89,450 ) (Revenue \$ )

4d

Other program services (Describe in Schedule O )












(Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

4e









Total program service expenses \$ 4,292,123 Must equal Part IX, Line 25, column (B).

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)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A 	1	Yes
2	Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors? 	2	Yes
3	Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I	3	No
4	Section 501(c)(3) organizations Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	4	No
5	Section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), and 501(c)(6) organizations Is the organization subject to the section 6033(e) notice and reporting requirement and proxy tax? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III	5	
6	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any accounts where donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I 	6	No
7	Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II	7	No
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III 	8	No
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV 	9	No
10	Did the organization hold assets in term, permanent, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V 	10	No
11	Did the organization report an amount in Part X, lines 10, 12, 13, 15, or 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable 	11	Yes
12	Did the organization receive an audited financial statement for the year for which it is completing this return that was prepared in accordance with GAAP? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII 	12	Yes
13	Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	13	No
14a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the U S?	14a	No
b	Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, and program service activities outside the U S? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part I	14b	No
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part II	15	No
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part III	16	No
17	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I	17	No
18	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II	18	No
19	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III	19	No
20	Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? If "Yes," complete Schedule H	20	No
21	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II 	21	No
22	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 2? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III 	22	Yes
23	Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, questions 3, 4, or 5? If "Yes," complete Schedule J 	23	Yes
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? If "Yes," answer questions 24b–24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to question 25	24a	No
b	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b	
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?	24c	
d	Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d	
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	25a	No
b	Did the organization become aware that it had engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person from a prior year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	25b	No
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II	26	No
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, or substantial contributor, or to a person related to such an individual? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III	27	No

**Part IV** Checklist of Required Schedules *(Continued)*

		Yes	No
<b>28</b>	During the tax year, did any person who is a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee		
<b>a</b>	Have a direct business relationship with the organization (other than as an officer, director, trustee, or employee), or an indirect business relationship through ownership of more than 35% in another entity (individually or collectively with other person(s) listed in Part VII, Section A)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i> . . . . .		No
<b>b</b>	Have a family member who had a direct or indirect business relationship with the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i> . . . . .		No
<b>c</b>	Serve as an officer, director, trustee, key employee, partner, or member of an entity (or a shareholder of a professional corporation) doing business with the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i> . . . . .		No
<b>29</b>	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i> 	Yes	
<b>30</b>	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i> . . . . . 		No
<b>31</b>	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i> . . . . . 		No
<b>32</b>	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> . . . . .		No
<b>33</b>	Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations section 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i> . . . . . 		No
<b>34</b>	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> . . . . . 	Yes	
<b>35</b>	Is any related organization a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i> . . . . . 	Yes	
<b>36</b>	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> . . . . . 		No
<b>37</b>	Did the organization conduct more than 5 percent 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> . . . . . 		No

Part V

Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

			Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096, <i>Annual Summary and Transmittal of U.S. Information Returns</i> . Enter -0- if not applicable . . . . .	1a58		
b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable	1b0		
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners? . . . . .	1c	Yes	
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, <i>Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements</i> filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return . . . . .	2a33		
b	If at least one is reported in 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? . . . <b>Note:</b> <i>If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file this return.</i>	2b		
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year covered by this return? . . . . .	3a		No
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O . . . . .	3b		
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? . . . . .	4a		No
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country _____ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for <b>Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts</b> .			
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year? . . .	5a		No
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5b		No
c	If "Yes," to 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T, <i>Disclosure by Tax-Exempt Entity Regarding Prohibited Tax Shelter Transaction</i> ? . . . . .	5c		
6a	Did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible? . . . . .	6a		No
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible? . . . . .	6b		
7	<i>Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).</i>			
a	Did the organization provide goods or services in exchange for any quid pro quo contribution of \$75 or more? . . . . .	7a		No
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided? . . . . .	7b		
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282? . . . . .	7c	Yes	
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year . . . . .	7d1		
e	Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? . . . . .	7e		No
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? . . .	7f		No
g	For all contributions of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required? . . . .	7g		No
h	For contributions of cars, boats, airplanes, and other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C as required? . . . . .	7h		No
8	<i>Section 501(c)(3) and other sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations.</i> Did the supporting organization, or a fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year? . . . . .	8		
9	<i>Section 501(c)(3) and other sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.</i>			
a	Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966? . . . . .	9a		
b	Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person? . . . . .	9b		
10	<i>Section 501(c)(7) organizations.</i> Enter			
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12 . . . . .	10a		
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b		
11	<i>Section 501(c)(12) organizations.</i> Enter			
a	Gross income from members or shareholders . . . . .	11a		
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them ) . . . . .	11b		
12a	<i>Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts.</i> Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041? . . . .	12a		
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b		

Part VI

Governance, Management, and Disclosure (Sections A, B, and C request information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

Section A. Governing Body and Management

For each "Yes" response to lines 2-7 below, and for a "No" response to lines 8 or 9b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

1a

Enter the number of voting members of the governing body . . . . .

1a

13

1b

Enter the number of voting members that are independent . . . . .

1b

12

2

Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee? . . . . .

2

Yes

3

Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person? . . . . .

3

No

4

Did the organization make any significant changes to its organizational documents since the prior Form 990 was filed? . . . . .

4

No

5

Did the organization become aware during the year of a material diversion of the organization's assets? . . . . .

5

No

6

Does the organization have members or stockholders? . . . . .

6

Yes

7a

Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body? . . . . .

7a

Yes

7b

Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons? . . . . .

7b

No

8

Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following . . . . .

8a

Yes

8b

each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body? . . . . .

8b

Yes

9a

Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates? . . . . .

9a

No

9b

If "Yes," does the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with those of the organization? . . . . .

9b

10

Was a copy of the Form 990 provided to the organization's governing body before it was filed? All organizations must describe in Schedule O the process, if any, the organization uses to review the Form 990 . . . . .

10

Yes

11

Is there any officer, director or trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O . . . . .

11

No

Section B. Policies

12a

Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No", go to line 13 . . . . .

12a

Yes

12b

Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts? . . . . .

12b

Yes

12c

Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this is done . . . . .

12c

Yes

13

Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy? . . . . .

13

Yes

14

Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy? . . . . .

14

Yes

15

Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision . . . . .

15a

Yes

15b

The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official? . . . . .

15b

Yes

15b

Other officers or key employees of the organization? . . . . .

15b

Yes

15b

Describe the process in Schedule O . . . . .

15b

16a

Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year? . . . . .

16a

No

16b

If "Yes," has the organization adopted a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable Federal tax law, and taken steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements? . . . . .

16b

Section C. Disclosure

17

List the States with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed MA , PA

18

Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you make these available. Check all that apply.  
☐ own website ☐ another's website ☒ upon request

19

Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how), the organization makes its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public. See Additional Data Table.

20

State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization.  
DAVID C MICHAELS CFO  
250 DIVISION ST PO BOX 1000  
GREAT BARRINGTON, MA 01230  
(413) 528-1216

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

☐ Check this box if the organization did not compensate any officer, director, trustee or key employee

Form **990** (2008)





Part VIII

Statement of Revenue

			(A) Total Revenue	(B) Related or Exempt Function Revenue	(C) Unrelated Business Revenue	(D) Revenue Excluded from Tax under IRC 512, 513, or 514
Contributions, gifts, grants and other similar amounts	1a	Federated campaigns . . . . . 1a				
	b	Membership dues . . . . .				
		1b				
	c	Fundraising events . . . . .				
		1c				
	d	Related organizations . . . . . 1d				
	e	Government grants (contributions) 1e				
	f	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above 1,645,930				
		1f				
g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$ 355,008					
h	Total (Add lines 1a-1f) . . . . .	1,645,930				
Program Service Revenue			Business Code			
	2a	SALES OF PUBLICATIONS	511,120	652,521	652,521	
	b	RESEARCH REPORTS	511,120	541,426	541,426	
	c					
	d					
	e					
	f	All other program service revenue				
	g	Total. Add lines 2a-2f . . . . .				
		\$ 1,193,947				
Other Revenue	3	Investment income (including dividends, interest other similar amounts) . . . . .	291,329			291,329
	4	Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds . . . . .				
	5	Royalties . . . . .				
		(i) Real	(ii) Personal			
	6a	Gross Rents 120,000				
	b	Less rental expenses 118,383				
	c	Rental income or (loss) 1,617				
	d	Net rental income or (loss) . . . . .	1,617			1,617
		(i) Securities	(ii) Other			
	7a	Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory 1,967,613	20,600			
	b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses 1,920,743	21,629			
	c	Gain or (loss) 46,870	-1,029			
	d	Net gain or (loss) . . . . .	45,841	45,841		
	8a	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18 Attach Schedule G if total exceeds \$15,000 . . . . . a				
	b	Less direct expenses . . . . . b				
	c	Net income or (loss) from fundraising events . . . . .				
	9a	Gross income from gaming activities See part IV, line 19 Complete Schedule G if total exceeds \$15,000 . . . . . a				
	b	Less direct expenses . . . . . b				
	c	Net income or (loss) from gaming activities . . . . .				
	10a	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			
	11a	REIMBURSE FACILITIES 900,099	18,923			18,923
	b	CHARITABLE REMAINDER I 900,099	14,492			14,492
c						
d	All other revenue					
e	Total. Add lines 11a-11d . . . . . \$ 33,415					
12	Total Revenue. Add lines 1h, 2g, 3, 4, 5, 6d, 7d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e . . . . .	3,212,079	1,239,788	0	326,361	

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).					
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 U S See Part IV, line 21				
2	Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U S See Part IV, line 22	89,450	89,450		
3	Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations and individuals outside the U S See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4	Benefits paid to or for members				
5	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees . . . . .	408,956	314,160	67,954	26,842
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	1,296,448	953,789		58,544
8	Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions) . . . . .	181,593	67,252	109,787	4,554
9	Other employee benefits . . . . .	132,821	93,797	31,674	7,350
10	Payroll taxes . . . . .	153,021	114,505	31,616	6,900
11	Fees for services (non-employees)				
a	Management . . . . .				
b	Legal . . . . .	20,466		20,466	
c	Accounting . . . . .	17,800		17,800	
d	Lobbying . . . . .				
e	Professional fundraising See Part IV, line 17 . . . . .				
f	Investment management fees . . . . .				
g	Other . . . . .	241,502	185,689	29,634	26,179
12	Advertising and promotion . . . . .				
13	Office expenses . . . . .	1,827,649	1,776,184	35,923	15,542
14	Information technology . . . . .	16,039	12,992	2,566	481
15	Royalties . . . . .				
16	Occupancy . . . . .	240,688	183,306	48,436	8,946
17	Travel . . . . .	26,826	21,829	3,521	1,476
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 . . . . .	214,145	197,522	9,307	7,316
23	Insurance . . . . .				
24	Other expenses—Itemize expenses not covered above (Expenses grouped together and labeled miscellaneous may not exceed 5% of total expenses shown on line 25 below )				
a	SENIOR VISITING FELLOWS	121,131	121,131		
b	PUBLIC RELATIONS	114,356	114,356		
c	TRUSTEE REIMBURSEMENT	77,569		77,569	
d	MISCELLANEOUS	49,400	31,126	16,975	1,299
e	PERIODICALS AND SUBSCRI	15,525	14,749	776	
f	All other expenses	9,588	286	9,270	32
25	Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f	5,254,973	4,292,123	797,389	165,461
26	Joint Costs. Check <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation				

Part X

Balance Sheet

			(A)		(B)
			Beginning of year		End of year
Assets	1	Cash—non-interest-bearing . . . . .	199,142	1	119,209
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments . . . . .		2	
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net . . . . .	946,675	3	
	4	Accounts receivable, net . . . . .	35,029	4	9,923
	5	Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees or other related parties <i>Complete Part II of Schedule L</i> . . . . .		5	
	6	Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) <i>Complete Part II of Schedule L</i> . . . . .		6	
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net . . . . .		7	
	8	Inventories for sale or use . . . . .	156,773	8	202,570
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges . . . . .	32,783	9	38,845
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment cost basis			
		10a5,264,213			
	b	Less accumulated depreciation <i>Complete Part VI of Schedule D</i> . . . . .			
		10b1,741,853	3,693,476	10c	3,522,360
	11	Investments—publicly traded securities . . . . .	8,564,956	11	6,165,640
	12	Investments—other securities See Part IV, line 11 <i>Complete Part VII of Schedule D</i> . . . . .	150,449,529	12	114,935,735
	13	Investments—program-related See Part IV, line 11 <i>Complete Part VIII of Schedule D</i> . . . . .		13	
Liabilities	14	Intangible assets . . . . .		14	
	15	Other assets See Part IV, line 11 <i>Complete Part IX of Schedule D</i> . . . . .	660,837	15	573,348
	16	<b>Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)</b>	164,739,200	16	125,567,630
	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses . . . . .	229,756	17	175,627
	18	Grants payable . . . . .		18	
	19	Deferred revenue . . . . .	413,913	19	556,133
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities . . . . .		20	
	21	Escrow account liability <i>Complete Part IV of Schedule D</i> . . . . .		21	
	22	Payable to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons <i>Complete Part II of Schedule L</i> . . . . .		22	
	23	Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties . . . . .		23	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable . . . . .		24	
	25	Other liabilities <i>Complete Part X of Schedule D</i> . . . . .	86,515,329	25	63,955,405
	26	<b>Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25</b> . . . . .	87,158,998	26	64,687,165
		<b>Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.</b>			
	27	Unrestricted net assets . . . . .	13,901,667	27	12,332,263
	28	Temporarily restricted net assets . . . . .	63,678,535	28	48,548,202
	29	Permanently restricted net assets . . . . .		29	
		<b>Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 30 through 34.</b>			
	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 . . . . .	77,580,202	33	60,880,465
	34	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances . . . . .	164,739,200	34	125,567,630

Part XI

Financial Statements and Reporting

			Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990	<input type="checkbox"/> cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> accrual <input type="checkbox"/> other		
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? . . . . .	2a		No
b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? . . . . .	2b		No
c	If "Yes" to lines 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? . . . . .	2c		
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? . . . . .	3a		No
b	If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? . . . . .	3b		

SCHEDULE A  
(Form 990 or 990EZ)

Department of the  
Treasury  
Internal Revenue  
Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support

To be completed by all section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts.  
Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. See separate instructions.

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Name of the organization AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR ECONOMIC RESEARCH	Employer identification number 04-2121305
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Part I Reason for Public Charity Status (to be completed by all organizations) (See Instructions)

The organization is not a private foundation because it is (Please check only **one** organization )

1

☐

A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **Section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).**

2

☐

A school described in **Section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).** (Attach Schedule E )

3

☐

A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).** (Attach Schedule H )

4

☐

A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).** Enter the hospital's name, city, and state \_\_\_\_\_

5

☐

An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv).** (Complete Part II )

6

☐

A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **Section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).**

7

☒

An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)** (Complete Part II )

8

☐

A community trust described in **Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)** (Complete Part II )

9

☐

An organization that normally receives (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975 See **Section 509(a)(2).** (Complete Part III )

10

☐

An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety See **Section 509(a)(4).** (See instructions )

11

☐

An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2) See **Section 509(a)(3).** Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h  

a

☐

Type I

b

☐

Type II

c

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Type III - Functionally Integrated

d

☐

Type III - Other

e

☐

By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2)

f

☐

If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II or Type III supporting organization, check this box

g

☐

Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons?  

(i)

a person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (ii) and (iii) below, the governing body of the the supported organization?

(ii)

a family member of a person described in (i) above?

(iii)

a 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above?

h

☐

Provide the following information about the organizations the organization supports

	Yes	No
11g(i)		
11g(ii)		
11g(iii)		

(i) Name of Supported Organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1- 9 above or IRC section (See Instructions))	(iv) Is the organization in col (i) listed in your governing document?		(v) Did you notify the organization in col (i) of your support?		(vi) Is the organization in col (i) organized in the U S ?		(vii) Amount of support?
			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
Total									

Part II

Support Schedule for Organizations Described in IRC 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.)

Public Support						
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	696,483	608,446	858,064	1,723,500	1,645,930	5,532,423
<b>2</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
<b>3</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
<b>4 Total.</b> Add line 1-3	696,483	608,446	858,064	1,723,500	1,645,930	5,532,423
<b>5</b> The portion of total contribution by each person (other than a government unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceed 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						1,274,443
<b>6 Public Support</b> subtract line 5 from line 4						4,257,980

Total Support						
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
<b>7</b> Amounts from line 4	696,483	503,129	858,064	1,723,500	1,645,930	5,532,423
<b>8</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	388,342	503,129	381,629	525,215	411,329	2,209,644
<b>9</b> Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
<b>10</b> Other income Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV )	11,089	12,020	22,399	33,141	33,415	112,064
<b>11 Total Support</b> (Add lines 7 through 10)						7,854,131
<b>12</b> Gross receipts from related activities, etc (See instructions )					<b>12</b>	5,925,748
<b>13 First Five Years.</b> If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and <b>stop here</b>						

Computation of Public Support Percentage		
<b>14</b> Public Support Percentage for 2008 (line 6 column (f) divided by line 11 column (f))	<b>14</b>	54 210 %
<b>15</b> Public Support Percentage for 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 26f	<b>15</b>	50 560 %
<b>16a 33 1/3% Test - 2008.</b> If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		
<b>b 33 1/3% Test - 2007.</b> If the organization did not check the box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		
<b>17a 10% Facts and Circumstances Test - 2008.</b> 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 <b>stop here.</b> Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts and circumstances" test The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		
<b>b 10% Facts and Circumstances Test - 2007.</b> 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 <b>stop here.</b> Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts and circumstances" test The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		
<b>18 Private Foundation.</b> If the organization did not check the box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a or 17b, check this box and see instructions		

Part IIISupport Schedule for Organizations Described in IRC 509(a)(2)  
(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I.)

Section A. Public Support						
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
1Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants ")						
2Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6Total Add lines 1-5						
7aAmounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
bAmounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of 1% of the total of lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12 for the year or \$5,000						
cTotal of lines 7a and 7b						
8Public Support (Subtract line 7c from line 6)						

Total Support						
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
9Amounts from line 6						
10aGross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
bUnrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after 30 June, 1975						
cAdd lines 10a and 10b						
11Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12Other income Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV )						
13Total Support (Add lines 9, 10c, 11 and 12)						
14First Five Years If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here						

Computation of Public Support Percentage			
15	Public Support Percentage for 2008 (line 8 column (f) divided by line 13 column (f))	15	
16	Public Support Percentage for 2007 Schedule A, Part IV -A, line 27g	16	

Computation of Investment Income Percentage			
17	Investment Income Percentage for 2008 (line 10c column (f) divided by line 13 column (f))	17	
18	Investment Income Percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV -A, line 27h	18	
19a	33 1/3% Tests - 2008. 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% Tests - 2007. 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		

Part IV

**Supplemental Information.** Complete this part to provide the information required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b, or Part III, line 12. Provide and any other additional information. (see instructions)

SCHEDULE D  
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements

► Attach to Form 990. To be completed by organizations that answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12.

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<b>Name of the organization</b> AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR ECONOMIC RESEARCH	<b>Employer identification number</b> 04-2121305
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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? <div><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</div>	
6	Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds may be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor or other impermissible private benefit? <div><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</div>	

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) <div><input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of land for public use (e g , recreation or pleasure) <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of an historically importantly land area</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> Protection of natural habitat <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of certified historic structure</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of open space</div>	
2	Complete lines 2a–2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day 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	2d
3	Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the taxable 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, violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds? <div><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</div>	
6	Staff or volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting and enforcing easements during the year ►	
7	Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing 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 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? <div><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</div>	
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, 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, 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 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 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

d

☐ Loan or exchange programs

b

☐ Scholarly research

e

☐ Other

c

☐ Preservation for future generations

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

Trust, 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 why in Part XIV and complete the following table

c

Beginning balance

d

Additions during the year

e

Distributions during the year

f

Ending balance

	Amount
1c	
1d	
1e	
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 . . . . .				
b	Contributions . . . . .				
c	Investment earnings or losses . . . . .				
d	Grants or scholarships . . . . .				
e	Other expenditures for facilities and programs . . . . .				
f	Administrative expenses . . . . .				
g	End of year balance . . . . .				

2

Provide the estimated percentage of the year end balance held as

a

Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶

b

Permanent endowment ▶

c

Term endowment ▶

3a

Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by

(i)

unrelated organizations . . . . .

(ii)

related organizations . . . . .

b

If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?

	Yes	No
3a(i)		
3a(ii)		
3b		

4

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

Part VI

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

Description of investment	(a) Cost or other basis (Investment)	(b)Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land . . . . .		13,946		13,946
b Buildings . . . . .	79,000	4,412,087	1,244,173	3,246,914
c Leasehold improvements . . . . .				
d Equipment . . . . .				
e Other . . . . .	68,368	690,812	497,680	261,500
Total. Add lines 1a-1e (Column (d) should equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).) . . . . . ▶				3,522,360

**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
Financial derivatives and other financial products		
Closely-held equity interests		
Other MONEY MARKETS	2,451,781	F
Other RESTRICTED TRUST ASSETS UNDER SPLIT INTEREST AGREEMENTS	112,483,954	F
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) should equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 12 )	114,935,735	

**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
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) should 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
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) should equal Form 990, Part X, col.(B) line 15.)	

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

(a) Description of Liability	(b) Amount
Federal Income Taxes	
LIABILITIES UNDER SPLIT INTEREST AGREEMENTS	62,047,521
split interest trusts distributions payable	1,824,944
INVESTMENT ADVISORY FEE PAYABLE	82,940
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) should equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 25 )	63,955,405

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

Part XI

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

1	Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	3,212,079
2	Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	5,254,973
3	Excess or (deficit) for the year Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-2,042,894
4	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	4	-1,373,155
5	Donated services and use of facilities	5	
6	Investment expenses	6	
7	Prior period adjustments	7	
8	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	8	-13,283,689
9	Total adjustments (net) Add lines 4 - 8	9	-14,656,844
10	Excess or (deficit) for the year per financial statements Combine lines 3 and 9	10	-16,699,738

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	-5,153,130
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12		
a	Net unrealized gains on investments . . . . .	2a	-1,373,155
b	Donated services and use of facilities . . . . .	2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants . . . . .	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV) . . . . .	2d	-6,992,054
e	Add lines 2a through 2d . . . . .	2e	-8,365,209
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1 . . . . .	3	3,212,079
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 should equal Form 990, Part I, line 12 ) . . . . .	5	3,212,079

Part XIII

Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements . . . . .	1	11,546,605
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	Losses reported on Form 990, Part IX, line 25 . . . . .	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV) . . . . .	2d	6,291,633
e	Add lines 2a through 2d . . . . .	2e	6,291,633
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1 . . . . .	3	5,254,972
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	1
c	Add lines 4a and 4b . . . . .	4c	1
5	Total expenses Add lines 3 and 4c. (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 18 ) . . . . .	5	5,254,973

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 XIV, lines 1b and 2b, Part V, line 4, Part X, Part XI, line 8, Part XII, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XIII, lines 2d and 4b

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Part XII, Line 2d - Other Adjustments		RENTAL EXPENSES split interest trust net income of subsidiary
Part XIII, Line 2d - Other Adjustments		split interest trust rental expenses
Part XIII, Line 4b - Other Adjustments		rounding

## Part XIV Supplemental Information(continued)

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Schedule I  
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization  
AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR ECONOMIC RESEARCH

Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,  
Governments and Individuals in the U.S.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, lines 21 or 22. Attach to Form 990.

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Part I

General Information on Grants and Assistance

- 1

Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance?

☒ Yes ☐ No
- 2

Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States

Part II

Grants and Other Assistance to Governments and Organizations in the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21 for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Check this box if no one recipient received more than \$5,000. Use Part IV and Schedule I-1 if additional space is needed.

1(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance

- 2

Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations
- 3

Enter total number of other organizations

Part IIIGrants and Other Assistance to Individuals in the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 22.  
Use Schedule I-1 (Form 990) if additional space is needed.

(a)Type of grant or assistance	(b)Number of recipients	(c)Amount of cash grant	(d)Amount of non-cash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV , appraisal, other)	(f)Description of non-cash assistance
Fellowship Awards In Absentia - AIER extends financial aid to qualified students of economics or finance to assist them in their graduate level studies at their regular universities	18	89,450	0	N/A	N/A

Part IVSupplemental Information. Complete this part to provide the information required in Part I, line 2, and any other additional information.  
See Additional Data Table

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Procedure for Monitoring Grants in the U S	Part I, Line 2	Schedule I, Part I, Line 1 NONE

Schedule J  
(Form 990)

Department of the  
Treasury  
Internal Revenue  
Service

Compensation Information

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Part I

Questions Regarding Compensation

	Yes	No
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 <div><div><input type="checkbox"/> First class or charter travel</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Tax idemnification and gross-up payments</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e g , maid, chauffeur, chef)</div></div>		
b If line 1a is checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain	1b	
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?	2	
3 Indicate which, if any, of the following the organization uses to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director Check all that apply <div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee</div><div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations</div><div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract</div><div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study</div><div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee</div></div>		
4 During the year, did any person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a		
a Receive a severance payment or change of control payment?	4a	Yes
b Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?	4b	Yes
c Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement? If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III	4c	No
501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations only must complete lines 5-8.		
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		
a The organization?	5a	No
b Any related organization? If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III	5b	No
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		
a The organization?	6a	No
b Any related organization? If "Yes," to line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III	6b	No
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	7	No
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 Regs section 53 4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III	8	No

**Part II** **Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees.** Use Schedule J-1 if additional space 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) must equal the applicable column (D) or column (E) amounts on Form 990, Part VII, line 1a

(A) Name		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation reported in prior Form 990 or Form 990-EZ
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other compensation				
CHARLES E MURRAY	(i) (ii)	210,038			18,904	10,940	239,882	
SHAUN A BUCKLER	(i) (ii)	154,776			7,575	13,301	175,652	
	(i)							
	(ii)							
	(i)							
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	(i)							
	(ii)							
	(i)							
	(ii)							





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Part III

Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8 Also complete this part for any additional information

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
	Part I, Line 4a	SHAUN BUCKLER - \$63,805 81 EDWARD WELKER - \$37,928 76

SCHEDULE M  
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Non-Cash Contributions

To be completed by organizations that answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 29 or 30.  
Attach to Form 990

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Part I

Types of Property

	(a) Check if applicable	(b) Number of Contributions	(c) Revenues reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g	(d) Method of determining revenues
1 Art—Works of art . . . . .				
2 Art—Historical treasures . . . . .				
3 Art—Fractional interests . . . . .				
4 Books and publications . . . . .				
5 Clothing and household goods . . . . .				
6 Cars and other vehicles . . . . .				
7 Boats and planes . . . . .				
8 Intellectual property . . . . .				
9 Securities—Publicly traded . . . . .	X	2	244,552	FAIR MARKET VALUE
10 Securities—Closely held stock . . . . .				
11 Securities—Partnership, LLC, or trust interests . . . . .				
12 Securities—Miscellaneous . . . . .				
13 Qualified conservation contribution (historic structures) . . . . .				
14 Qualified conservation contribution (other) . . . . .				
15 Real estate—Residential . . . . .				
16 Real estate—Commercial . . . . .				
17 Real estate—Other . . . . .				
18 Collectibles . . . . .				
19 Food inventory . . . . .				
20 Drugs and medical supplies . . . . .				
21 Taxidermy . . . . .				
22 Historical artifacts . . . . .				
23 Scientific specimens . . . . .				
24 Archeological artifacts . . . . .				
25 Other (describe GOLD/PLATINUM COINS ) . . . . .	X	1	110,456	FAIR MARKET VALUE
26 Other (describe ) . . . . .				
27 Other (describe ) . . . . .				
28 Other (describe ) . . . . .				
29 Number of Forms 8283 received by the organization during the tax year for contributions for which the organization completed Form 8283, Part IV, Donee Acknowledgement . . . . .				29

30a During the year, did the organization receive by contribution any property reported in Part I, lines 1-28 that it must hold for at least three years from the date of the initial contribution, and which is not required to be used for exempt purposes for the entire holding period? . . . . .

31 Does the organization have a gift acceptance policy that requires the review of any non-standard contributions? . . . . .

32a Does the organization hire or use third parties or related organizations to solicit, process, or sell non-cash contributions? . . . . .

33 If the organization did not report revenues in Column (c) for a type of property for which Column (a) is checked, describe in Part II

Yes

No

No

No

No

[illegible]

SCHEDULE O  
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990

► **Attach to Form 990. To be completed by organizations to provide additional information for responses to specific questions for the Form 990 or to provide any additional information.**

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Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part III, line 4d	Other Program Services	FELLOWSHIP AWARDS IN ABSENTIA - AIER ALSO EXTENDS FINANCIAL AID TO QUALIFIED STUDENTS OF ECONOMICS OR FINANCE TO ASSIST THEM IN THEIR GRADUATE LEVEL STUDIES AT THEIR REGULAR UNIVERSITIES DURING THIS YEAR, 18 STUDENTS RECEIVED THIS AID Expenses \$ 89450 including grants of \$ 89450 Revenue \$ 0
Form 990, Part III, line 4d	Other Program Services	VISITING SENIOR FELLOWS - DURING THE SUMMER, THE INSTITUTE INVITES PROMINENT INDIVIDUALS IN THE FIELD OF FISCAL, MONETARY, AND PERSONAL ECONOMICS TO LECTURE AND DISCUSS TOPICS IN THESE FIELDS WITH THE SUMMER FELLOWS
Form 990, Part III, line 4d	Other Program Services	EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCES - THIS PROGRAM CONSISTS OF HOSTING PERIODIC CONFERENCES THAT INVOLVE LEADING SCHOLARS FROM HERE AND ABROAD, AND PUBLISHES THE RESULTS OF SUCH ACTIVITIES Expenses \$ 616 including grants of \$ 0 Revenue \$ 0
Form 990, Part VI, Section A, line 2		FREDERICK C HARWOOD - TRUSTEE MARJORIE GREER - TRUSTEE
Form 990, Part VI, Section A, line 6		THE MEMBERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE THOSE WHO ORIGINALLY ASSOCIATED TO INCORPORATE PLUS ADDITIONAL MEMBERS ELECTED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE ORGANIZATION'S BYLAWS THE MEMBERS OF THE CORPORATION MAY, BY A MAJORITY VOTE, ELECT ADDITIONAL MEMBERS, WHO SHALL SERVE FOR SIX YEARS AND SHALL BE ELIGIBLE FOR REELECTION FOR SUCCESSIVE SIX YEAR TERMS, HOWEVER, THE TERM OF ANY MEMEBR WHO IS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE INSTITUTE SHALL EXPIRE ON THE DATE SUCH MEMBER'S STATUS AS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE INSTITUTE IS TERMINATED FOR CAUSE TRUSTEES WHO ARE NOT MEMBERS OF THE CORPORATION, BUT WHO ARE REELECTED FOR A SECOND TERM AS TRUSTEE, SHALL AUTOMATICALLY THEREBY BECOME MEMBERS OF THE CORPORATION AND SHALL RETAIN THAT STATUS WHILE SERVING AS TRUSTEES
Form 990, Part VI, Section A, line 7a		THE MEMBERS RESERVE TO THEMSELVES THE POWER TO ELECT THE TRUSTEES, TO ELECT THE SECRETARY OF THE CORPORATION AND TO FILL VACANCIES IN THAT POSITION, AND TO ELECT THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE CORPORATION
Form 990, Part VI, Section A, line 10		FORM 990 IS PREPARED IN CONJUNCTION WITH AN INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTING FIRM AND REVIEWED BY THE ASSISTANT COMPTROLLER AND CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER A FINAL DRAFT IS DISTRIBUTED TO THE TRUSTEES FOR QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS TWO WEEKS PRIOR TO FILING
Form 990, Part VI, Section B, line 12c		ALL OFFICERS AND TRUSTEES COMPLETE AN ANNUAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST FORM THE SECRETARY KEEPS "ON FILE" AND FORWARDS TO RESPONSIBLE PERSONS ANY INDICATED POTENTIAL CONFLICTS
Form 990, Part VI, Section B, line 15		THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES RETAINED AN INDEPENDENT EMPLOYMENT LAW AND HUMAN RESOURCES CONSULTING FIRM TO CONDUCT A THOROUGH AND INDEPENDENT COMPENSATION REVIEW OF ALL EXECUTIVE POSITIONS THIS SAME FIRM ALSO PROVIDES ANNUAL MARKET AVERAGE MERIT ADJUSTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD DELIBERATION AND DECISION BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGARDING SALARY ADJUSTMENTS FOR EXECUTIVES ARE BASED ON PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS AND MARKET DATA THESE DECISIONS ARE RECORDED IN THE OFFICIAL MINUTES OF ITS MEETING
Form 990, Part VI, Section C, line 19		THESE DOCUMENTS ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST
FORM 990, PART IV, LINE 12	AUDITED GAAP FINANCIAL STATEMENTS	ALTHOUGH THE ORGANIZATION DOES NOT RECEIVE STAND ALONE GAAP FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, IT DOES RECEIVE ON AN ANNUAL BASIS FROM INDEPENDENT AUDITORS CONSOLIDATED ENTITY GAAP FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR IT AND ITS AFFILIATES

SCHEDULE R  
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships

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▶ Attach to Form 990. To be completed by organizations that answerd "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, lines 33, 34, 35, 36, or 37.  
▶ See separate instructions.

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Part I Identification of Disregarded Entities					
(A) Name, address, and EIN of disregarded entity	(B) Primary activity	(C) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(D) Total income	(E) End-of-year assets	(F) Direct controlling entity

Part II Identification of Related Tax-Exempt Organizations					
(A) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(B) Primary activity	(C) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(D) Exempt Code section	(E) Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3))	(F) Direct controlling entity

Part III

Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Partnership

(A) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(B) Primary activity	(C) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(D) Direct controlling entity	(E) Predominant income(related, investment, unrelated)	(F) Share of total income	(G) Share of end-of- year assets	(H) Disproporionate allocations?		(I) Code V—UBI amount on Box 20 of K-1	(J) General or managing partner?	
							Yes	No		Yes	No

Part IV

Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Corporation or Trust

(A) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(B) Primary activity	(C) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(D) Direct controlling entity	(E) Type of entity (C corp, S corp, or trust)	(F) Share of total income	(G) Share of end-of-year assets	(H) Percentage ownership
AMERICAN INVESTMENT SERVICES INC 250 DIVISION ST PO BOX 1000 GREAT BARRINGTON, MA01230	INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT SERVICES	DE	N/A	C	1,589,462	836,716	100 000 %

Part V

Transactions with Related Organizations

Note. Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III or IV

1 During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?

a Receipt of (i) interest (ii) annuities (iii) royalties (iv) rent from a controlled entity

b Gift, grant, or capital contribution to other organization(s)

c Gift, grant, or capital contribution from other organization(s)

d Loans or loan guarantees to or for other organization(s)

e Loans or loan guarantees by other organization(s)

f Sale of assets to other organization(s)

g Purchase of assets from other organization(s)

h Exchange of assets

i Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to other organization(s)

j Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from other organization(s)

k Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for other organization(s)

l Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by other organization(s)

m Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets

n Sharing of paid employees

o Reimbursement paid to other organization for expenses

p Reimbursement paid by other organization for expenses

q Other transfer of cash or property to other organization(s)

r Other transfer of cash or property from other organization(s)

Yes

No

1a Yes

1b No

1c No

1d No

1e No

1f No

1g No

1h No

1i Yes

1j No

1k No

1l No

1m Yes

1n Yes

1o No

1p No

1q No

1r No

2 If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," see the instructions for information on who must complete this line, including covered relationships and transaction thresholds

(A) Name of other organization(s)	(B) Transaction type(a-r)	(C) Amount Involved
(1) AMERICAN INVESTMENT SERVICES INC	A	120,000
(2) AMERICAN INVESTMENT SERVICES INC	N	104,341
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		

Schedule R (Form 990) 2008



Provide the following information for each entity taxed as a partnership through which the organization conducted more than five percent of its activities (measured by total assets or gross revenue) that was not a related organization. See instructions regarding exclusion for certain investment partnerships.

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Form **4562**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Depreciation and Amortization  
(Including Information on Listed Property)

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

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Attachment  
Sequence No **67**

Name(s) shown on return AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR ECONOMIC RESEARCH	Business or activity to which this form relates  Form 990 Page 10	Identifying number  04-2121305
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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 the instructions for a higher limit for certain businesses . . . . .	1	250,000
2 Total cost of section 179 property placed in service (see instructions) . . . . .	2	
3 Threshold cost of section 179 property before reduction in limitation (see instructions) . . . . .	3	800,000
4 Reduction in limitation Subtract line 3 from line 2 If zero or less, enter -0- . . . . .	4	
5 Dollar limitation for tax year Subtract line 4 from line 1 If zero or less, enter -0- If married filing separately, see instructions . . . . .	5	

(a) Description of property	(b) Cost (business use only)	(c) Elected cost
6		
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 <b>smaller</b> of line 5 or line 8 . . . . .	9	
10 Carryover of disallowed deduction from line 13 of your 2007 Form 4562 . . . . .	10	
11 Business income limitation Enter the smaller of business income (not less than zero) or line 5 (see instructions) . . . . .	11	
12 Section 179 expense deduction Add lines 9 and 10, but do not enter more than line 11 . . . . .	12	
13 Carryover of disallowed deduction to 2009 Add lines 9 and 10, less line 12 .▶	13	

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

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

14 Special depreciation allowance for qualified property (other than listed property) placed in service during the tax year (see instructions)	14	
15 Property subject to section 168(f)(1) election . . . . .	15	
16 Other depreciation (including ACRS) . . . . .	16	214,146

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 2008 . . . . .	17	
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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 2008 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	214,146
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, cellular telephones, 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? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No						24b If "Yes," is the evidence written? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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 (see instructions)						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 -			
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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

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30 Total business/investment miles driven during the year ( <b>do not</b> include commuting miles)	(a) Vehicle 1		(b) Vehicle 2		(c) Vehicle 3		(d) Vehicle 4		(e) Vehicle 5		(f) Vehicle 6	
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?	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
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 (see instructions)

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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		
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<b>Note:</b> 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) A mortization period or percentage	(f) A mortization for this year
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Form **4562**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Depreciation and Amortization  
(Including Information on Listed Property)

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

OMB No 1545-0172

**2008**

Attachment Sequence No **67**

Name(s) shown on return AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR ECONOMIC RESEARCH	Business or activity to which this form relates  related party rental income	Identifying number  04-2121305
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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 the instructions for a higher limit for certain businesses . . . . .	1	250,000
2 Total cost of section 179 property placed in service (see instructions) . . . . .	2	
3 Threshold cost of section 179 property before reduction in limitation (see instructions) . . . . .	3	800,000
4 Reduction in limitation Subtract line 3 from line 2 If zero or less, enter -0- . . . . .	4	
5 Dollar limitation for tax year Subtract line 4 from line 1 If zero or less, enter -0- If married filing separately, see instructions . . . . .	5	

(a) Description of property	(b) Cost (business use only)	(c) Elected cost
6		
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 <b>smaller</b> of line 5 or line 8 . . . . .	9	
10 Carryover of disallowed deduction from line 13 of your 2007 Form 4562 . . . . .	10	
11 Business income limitation Enter the smaller of business income (not less than zero) or line 5 (see instructions) . . . . .	11	
12 Section 179 expense deduction Add lines 9 and 10, but do not enter more than line 11 . . . . .	12	
13 Carryover of disallowed deduction to 2009 Add lines 9 and 10, less line 12 .▶	13	

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