

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

2005

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

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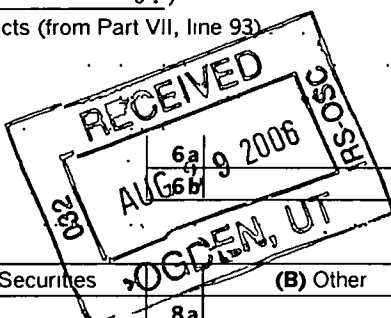
Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

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

Form 990 header section including: A For the 2005 calendar year, or tax year beginning, 2005, and ending; B Check if applicable; C Name of organization ATLAS ECONOMIC RESEARCH FOUNDATION; D Employer Identification Number 94-2763845; E Telephone number (703) 934-6969; F Accounting method: Accrual; G Web site: www.atlasUSA.org; J Organization type: 501(c) 3; K Check here if the organization's gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000; L Gross receipts: 4,184,994.

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (See Instructions)

Table with 21 rows and 4 columns. Rows include: 1 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received; 2 Program service revenue including government fees and contracts; 3 Membership dues and assessments; 4 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments; 5 Dividends and interest from securities; 6a Gross rents; 6b Less rental expenses; 6c Net rental income or (loss); 7 Other investment income; 8a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory; 8b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses; 8c Gain or (loss); 8d Net gain or (loss); 9 Special events and activities; 9a Gross revenue; 9b Less: direct expenses other than fundraising expenses; 9c Net income or (loss); 10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances; 10b Less: cost of goods sold; 10c Gross profit or (loss); 11 Other revenue; 12 Total revenue; 13 Program services; 14 Management and general; 15 Fundraising; 16 Payments to affiliates; 17 Total expenses; 18 Excess or (deficit) for the year; 19 Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year; 20 Other changes in net assets or fund balances; 21 Net assets or fund balances at end of year.



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Part II Statement of Functional Expenses All organizations must complete column (A) Columns (B), (C), and (D) are required for section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts but optional for others

Do not include amounts reported on line 6b, 8b, 9b, 10b, or 16 of Part I.		(A) Total	(B) Program services	(C) Management and general	(D) Fundraising
22 Grants and allocations (att sch) (cash \$ 2,101,056. non-cash \$ 0.) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	22	2,101,056.	2,101,056.		
23 Specific assistance to individuals (att sch)	23				
24 Benefits paid to or for members (att sch)	24				
25 Compensation of officers, directors, etc	25	205,000.	129,150.	38,950.	36,900.
26 Other salaries and wages	26	534,020.	338,988.	104,647.	90,385.
27 Pension plan contributions	27				
28 Other employee benefits	28				
29 Payroll taxes	29				
30 Professional fundraising fees	30				
31 Accounting fees	31	84,696.	69,574.	14,770.	352.
32 Legal fees	32				
33 Supplies	33	46,294.	25,298.	13,464.	7,532.
34 Telephone	34	16,649.	10,465.	3,175.	3,009.
35 Postage and shipping	35	58,723.	35,551.	2,822.	20,350.
36 Occupancy	36	126,249.	83,105.	23,806.	19,338.
37 Equipment rental and maintenance	37				
38 Printing and publications	38	143,453.	115,459.	1,026.	26,968.
39 Travel	39				
40 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	40	367,389.	356,333.	4,833.	6,223.
41 Interest	41	7,030.	4,266.	1,401.	1,363.
42 Depreciation, depletion, etc (attach schedule)	42	15,372.	9,329.	3,063.	2,980.
43 Other expenses not covered above (itemize):					
a INSURANCE	43a	7,584.	874.	6,431.	279.
b MISCELLANEOUS	43b	23,236.	18,414.	4,402.	420.
c DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS	43c	15,094.	13,246.	748.	1,100.
d TAXES, LICENSES, PERMITS	43d	2,026.	1,005.	792.	229.
e WEBSITE & INTERNET CONNECTION	43e	77,163.	77,163.	0.	0.
f CONTRACT LABOR	43f	24,359.	22,502.	535.	1,322.
g LOSS ON DISPOSAL OF FIXED ASSETS	43g	8,918.	5,412.	1,777.	1,729.
44 Total functional expenses. Add lines 22 through 43. (Organizations completing columns (B) - (D), carry these totals to lines 13 - 15)	44	3,864,311.	3,417,190.	226,642.	220,479.

Joint Costs. Check if you are following SOP 98-2.

Are any joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation reported in (B) Program services? Yes No
 If 'Yes,' enter (i) the aggregate amount of these joint costs \$ _____, (ii) the amount allocated to Program services \$ _____; (iii) the amount allocated to Management and general \$ _____, and (iv) the amount allocated to Fundraising \$ _____

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Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Form 990 is available for public inspection and, for some people, serves as the primary or sole source of information about a particular organization. How the public perceives an organization in such cases may be determined by the information presented on its return. Therefore, please make sure the return is complete and accurate and fully describes, in Part III, the organization's programs and accomplishments.

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? EDUCATIONAL All organizations must describe their exempt purpose achievements in a clear and concise manner. State the number of clients served, publications issued, etc. Discuss achievements that are not measurable (Section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must also enter the amount of grants and allocations to others.)	Program Service Expenses (Required for 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) trusts; but optional for others)
a GRANTS AND AWARDS - MANY INSTITUTES RECEIVED AWARDS AND GRANTS TO HELP DEVELOP WORLDWIDE INDEPENDENT RESEARCH INSTITUTES SPECIALIZING IN ANALYSIS OF CURRENT PUBLIC POLICY ISSUES. (Grants and allocations \$ 2,017,014.) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	2,870,440.
b WORKSHOPS -ATLAS HOSTS MEETINGS FOCUSED ON ECONOMICS AND OTHER PUBLIC POLICY TOPICS, AS WELL AS MANAGEMENT ISSUES RELEVANT TO DEVELOPMENT OF NON-PROFIT RESEARCH INSTITUTES. (Grants and allocations \$ 84,042.) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	307,547.
c ADVISORY SERVICES - ATLAS ASSISTED PUBLIC POLICY RESEARCH INSTITUTES INTERNATIONALLY TO DEVELOP PROJECTS AND SOLVE MANAGEMENT PROBLEMS. (Grants and allocations \$ 0.) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	239,203.
d (Grants and allocations \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	
e Other program services (Grants and allocations \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	
f Total of Program Service Expenses (should equal line 44, column (B), Program services)	3,417,190.

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Part IV Balance Sheets (See Instructions)

Note: Where required, attached schedules and amounts within the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
ASSETS	45 Cash – non-interest-bearing	97,555.	45	106,719.
	46 Savings and temporary cash investments	1,442,764.	46	1,671,936.
	47a Accounts receivable	47a 811.		
	b Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	47b 0.	900.	47c 811.
	48a Pledges receivable	48a 1,069,820.		
	b Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	48b 0.	939,992.	48c 1,069,820.
	49 Grants receivable		49	
	50 Receivables from officers, directors, trustees, and key employees (attach schedule)		50	
	51a Other notes & loans receivable (attach sch)	51a		
	b Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	51b		51c
	52 Inventories for sale or use		52	
	53 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	42,533.	53	23,373.
	54 Investments – securities (attach schedule) L-54 Stmt <input type="checkbox"/> Cost <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FMV	375,055.	54	376,320.
	55a Investments – land, buildings, & equipment: basis	55a		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation (attach schedule)	55b		55c
56 Investments – other (attach schedule)		56		
57a Land, buildings, and equipment: basis	57a 129,148.			
b Less: accumulated depreciation (attach schedule)	57b 33,021.	22,193.	57c 96,127.	
58 Other assets (describe <input type="checkbox"/> DEPOSITS)	52,630.	58	38,132.	
59 Total assets (must equal line 74) Add lines 45 through 58	2,973,622.	59	3,383,238.	
LIABILITIES	60 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	42,301.	60	66,805.
	61 Grants payable		61	
	62 Deferred revenue		62	
	63 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and key employees (attach schedule)		63	
	64a Tax-exempt bond liabilities (attach schedule)		64a	
	b Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule)		64b	
	65 Other liabilities (describe <input type="checkbox"/> CAPITAL LEASE)		65	62,912.
66 Total liabilities. Add lines 60 through 65	42,301.	66	129,717.	
NET ASSETS OR FUND BALANCES	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 67 through 69 and lines 73 and 74.			
	67 Unrestricted	745,572.	67	848,056.
	68 Temporarily restricted	2,185,749.	68	2,405,465.
	69 Permanently restricted		69	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 70 through 74			
	70 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds		70	
	71 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, and equipment fund		71	
	72 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		72	
	73 Total net assets or fund balances (add lines 67 through 69 or lines 70 through 72; column (A) must equal line 19; column (B) must equal line 21)	2,931,321.	73	3,253,521.
	74 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances. Add lines 66 and 73	2,973,622.	74	3,383,238.

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Part IV-A Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements with Revenue per Return (See instructions.)

a	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements		a	4,186,314.
b	Amounts included on line a but not on Part I, line 12:			
	1 Net unrealized gains on investments	b1		1,320.
	2 Donated services and use of facilities	b2		
	3 Recoveries of prior year grants	b3		
	4 Other (specify):	b4		
	Add lines b1 through b4		b	1,320.
c	Subtract line b from line a		c	4,184,994.
d	Amounts included on Part I, line 12, but not on line a :			
	1 Investment expenses not included on Part I, line 6b	d1		
	2 Other (specify):	d2		
	Add lines d1 and d2		d	
e	Total revenue (Part I, line 12). Add lines c and d		e	4,184,994.

Part IV-B Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements with Expenses per Return

a	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements		a	3,864,311.
b	Amounts included on line a but not on Part I, line 17:			
	1 Donated services and use of facilities	b1		
	2 Prior year adjustments reported on Part I, line 20	b2		
	3 Losses reported on Part I, line 20	b3		
	4 Other (specify):	b4		
	Add lines b1 through b4		b	
c	Subtract line b from line a		c	3,864,311.
d	Amounts included on Part I, line 17, but not on line a :			
	1 Investment expenses not included on Part I, line 6b	d1		
	2 Other (specify):	d2		
	Add lines d1 and d2		d	
e	Total expenses (Part I, line 17). Add lines c and d		e	3,864,311.

Part V-A Current Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (List each person who was an officer, director, trustee, or key employee at any time during the year even if they were not compensated.) (See the instructions.)

(A) Name and address	(B) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(C) Compensation (if not paid, enter -0-)	(D) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation plans	(E) Expense account and other allowances
ALEJANDRO CHAFUEN 2000 NORTH 14TH ST, STE 550 ARLINGTON, VA 22201	PRESIDENT, CEO 40	120,000.	0.	0.
BRADLEY LIPS 2000 NORTH 14TH ST, STE 550 ARLINGTON, VA 22201	COO/SEC/TREASURER 40	85,000.	0.	0.
JOHN BLUNDELL 2000 NORTH 14TH ST, STE 550 ARLINGTON, VA 22201	DIRECTOR 3	0.	0.	0.
TIMOTHY BROWNE 2000 NORTH 14TH ST, STE 550 ARLINGTON, VA 22201	DIRECTOR 1	0.	0.	0.
ALEJANDRO GARZA LAGUERA 2000 NORTH 14TH ST, STE 550 ARLINGTON, VA 22201	DIRECTOR 1	0.	0.	0.
See List of Officers, Etc. Statement				

Part V-A Current Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (continued)

Yes No

75a Enter the total number of officers, directors, and trustees permitted to vote on organization business as board meetings 11
75b Are any officers, directors, trustees, or key employees listed in Form 990, Part V-A, or highest compensated employees listed in Schedule A, Part I, or highest compensated professional and other independent contractors listed in Schedule A, Part II-A or II-B, related to each other through family or business relationships? If 'Yes,' attach a statement that identifies the individuals and explains the relationship(s) X
75c Do any officers, directors, trustees, or key employees listed in form 990, Part V-A, or highest compensated employees listed in Schedule A, Part I, or highest compensated professional and other independent contractors listed in Schedule A, Part II-A or II-B, receive compensation from any other organizations, whether tax exempt or taxable, that are related to this organization through common supervision or common control? X
Note. Related organizations include section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations.
If 'Yes,' attach a statement that identifies the individuals, explains the relationship between this organization and the other organization(s), and describes the compensation arrangements, including amounts paid to each individual by each related organization
75d Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? X

Part V-B Former Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees That Received Compensation or Other Benefits (If any former officer, director, trustee, or key employee received compensation or other benefits (described below) during the year, list that person below and enter the amount of compensation or other benefits in the appropriate column. See the instructions.)

Table with 5 columns: (A) Name and address, (B) Loans and Advances, (C) Compensation, (D) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation plans, (E) Expense account and other allowances. The table contains several rows of dashed lines indicating no data.

Part VI Other Information (See the instructions.)

Yes No

76 Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If 'Yes,' attach a detailed description of each activity X
77 Were any changes made in the organizing or governing documents but not reported to the IRS? If 'Yes,' attach a conformed copy of the changes. X
78a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year covered by this return? X
78b If 'Yes,' has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?
79 Was there a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or substantial contraction during the year? If 'Yes,' attach a statement X
80a Is the organization related (other than by association with a statewide or nationwide organization) through common membership, governing bodies, trustees, officers, etc, to any other exempt or nonexempt organization? X
80b If 'Yes,' enter the name of the organization and check whether it is exempt or nonexempt.
81a Enter direct and indirect political expenditures. (See line 81 instructions.) 81a
81b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year? X

Part VI Other Information (continued)		Yes	No
82 a Did the organization receive donated services or the use of materials, equipment, or facilities at no charge or at substantially less than fair rental value?			X
b If 'Yes,' you may indicate the value of these items here. Do not include this amount as revenue in Part I or as an expense in Part II. (See instructions in Part III)	82 b		
83 a Did the organization comply with the public inspection requirements for returns and exemption applications?		X	
b Did the organization comply with the disclosure requirements relating to quid pro quo contributions?		X	
84 a Did the organization solicit any contributions or gifts that were not tax deductible?			X
b If 'Yes,' did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?			
85 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations. a Were substantially all dues nondeductible by members?			
b Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?			
If 'Yes' was answered to either 85a or 85b, do not complete 85c through 85h below unless the organization received a waiver for proxy tax owed for the prior year.			
c Dues, assessments, and similar amounts from members	85 c		
d Section 162(e) lobbying and political expenditures	85 d		
e Aggregate nondeductible amount of section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices	85 e		
f Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (line 85d less 85e)	85 f		
g Does the organization elect to pay the section 6033(e) tax on the amount on line 85f?			
h If section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices were sent, does the organization agree to add the amount on line 85f to its reasonable estimate of dues allocable to nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures for the following tax year?			
86 501(c)(7) organizations Enter a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 12	86 a		
b Gross receipts, included on line 12, for public use of club facilities	86 b		
87 501(c)(12) organizations Enter a Gross income from members or shareholders	87 a		
b Gross income from other sources. (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	87 b		
88 At any time during the year, did the organization own a 50% or greater interest in a taxable corporation or partnership, or an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? If 'Yes,' complete Part IX			X
89 a 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter Amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 ▶ 0 ; section 4912 ▶ 0 ; section 4955 ▶ 0			
b 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or did it become aware of an excess benefit transaction from a prior year? If 'Yes,' attach a statement explaining each transaction			X
c Enter: Amount of tax imposed on the organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958			0.
d Enter Amount of tax on line 89c, above, reimbursed by the organization			
90 a List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ▶ NONE			
b Number of employees employed in the pay period that includes March 12, 2005 (See instructions.)	90 b		9
91 a The books are in care of ▶ ALEX CHAFUEN Telephone number ▶ (703) 934-6969 Located at ▶ 2000 NORTH 14TH ST, STE 550, ARLINGTON, VA ZIP + 4 ▶ 22201			
b 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)? If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country ▶		Yes	No
	91 b		X
See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Statements			
c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the United States? If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country ▶			X
92 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ▶	92		<input type="checkbox"/>

Part VII Analysis of Income-Producing Activities (See the instructions)

Note: Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated

	Unrelated business income		Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514		(E) Related or exempt function income
	(A) Business code	(B) Amount	(C) Exclusion code	(D) Amount	
93 Program service revenue:					
a CONFERENCE FEES					47,847.
b					
c					
d					
e					
f Medicare/Medicaid payments					
g Fees & contracts from government agencies					
94 Membership dues and assessments					
95 Interest on savings & temporary cash invmnts			14	28,401.	
96 Dividends & interest from securities					
97 Net rental income or (loss) from real estate:					
a debt-financed property					
b not debt-financed property					
98 Net rental income or (loss) from pers prop					
99 Other investment income					
100 Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory					
101 Net income or (loss) from special events					
102 Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory					
103 Other revenue: a					
b					
c					
d					
e					
104 Subtotal (add columns (B), (D), and (E))				28,401.	47,847.
105 Total (add line 104, columns (B), (D), and (E))					76,248.

Note: Line 105 plus line 1d, Part I, should equal the amount on line 12, Part I.

Part VIII Relationship of Activities to the Accomplishment of Exempt Purposes (See the instructions.)

Line No.	Explain how each activity for which income is reported in column (E) of Part VII contributed importantly to the accomplishment of the organization's exempt purposes (other than by providing funds for such purposes).
93A	FEES FROM PARTICIPANTS AND SPONSORS AT WORKSHOPS AND OTHER PROGRAMS TO EDUCATE PARTICIPANTS IN CURRENT PUBLIC POLICY ISSUES.

Part IX Information Regarding Taxable Subsidiaries and Disregarded Entities (See the instructions.) N/A

(A) Name, address, and EIN of corporation, partnership, or disregarded entity	(B) Percentage of ownership interest	(C) Nature of activities	(D) Total income	(E) End-of-year assets
	%			
	%			
	%			
	%			

Part X Information Regarding Transfers Associated with Personal Benefit Contracts (See the instructions.)

- a Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? Yes No
- b Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? Yes No

Note: If 'Yes' to (b), file Form 8870 and Form 4720 (see instructions).

Please Sign Here

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Signature of officer: Bradley A Lips Date: 8/23/2006

Type or print name and title: Bradley A. Lips, Exec. VP, COO & Treasurer

Paid Preparer's Use Only

Preparer's signature: David E. Renahardt, CPA Date: 8/11/06 Check if self-employed: Preparer's SSN or PTIN (See General Instruction W): 000234622

Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4: Hendershot, Burkhardt & Reed, CPAs
7525 PRESIDENTIAL LANE
MANASSAS VA 20109 EIN: 54-1807239 Phone no: (703) 361-1592

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

**Organization Exempt Under
Section 501(c)(3)**
(Except Private Foundation) and Section 501(e), 501(f), 501(k),
501(n), or 4947(a)(1) Nonexempt Charitable Trust
Supplementary Information — (See separate instructions.)

OMB No 1545-0047

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▶ **MUST be completed by the above organizations and attached to their Form 990 or 990-EZ.**

Name of the organization ATLAS ECONOMIC RESEARCH FOUNDATION	Employer identification number 94-2763845
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Part I Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Employees Other Than Officers, Directors, and Trustees
(See instructions. List each one. If there are none, enter 'None.')

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

Part II – A Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Independent Contractors for Professional Services
(See instructions. List each one (whether individuals or firms). If there are none, enter 'None'.)

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
LEONARD LIGGIO 2000 NORTH 14TH ST., 550 ARLINGTON, VA 22201	EXEC VP-ACADEMICS	68,000.
Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services ▶		None

Part II – B Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Independent Contractors for Other Services
(List each contractor who performed services other than professional services, whether individuals or firms. If there are none, enter 'None'. See instructions.)

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		
Total number of other contractors receiving over \$50,000 for other services ▶		None

Part III Statements About Activities (See instructions.)

	Yes	No
1 During the year, has the organization attempted to influence national, state, or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum? If "Yes," enter the total expenses paid or incurred in connection with the lobbying activities. ▶ \$ _____ (Must equal amounts on line 38, Part VI-A, or line i of Part VI-B.) Organizations that made an election under section 501(h) by filing Form 5768 must complete Part VI-A. Other organizations checking "Yes" must complete Part VI-B AND attach a statement giving a detailed description of the lobbying activities.	1	X
2 During the year, has the organization, either directly or indirectly, engaged in any of the following acts with any substantial contributors, trustees, directors, officers, creators, key employees, or members of their families, or with any taxable organization with which any such person is affiliated as an officer, director, trustee, majority owner, or principal beneficiary? (If the answer to any question is "Yes," attach a detailed statement explaining the transactions.)		
a Sale, exchange, or leasing of property?	2a	X
b Lending of money or other extension of credit?	2b	X
c Furnishing of goods, services, or facilities?	2c	X
See Part V, Form 990		
d Payment of compensation (or payment or reimbursement of expenses if more than \$1,000)?	2d	X
e Transfer of any part of its income or assets?	2e	X
3a Do you make grants for scholarships, fellowships, student loans, etc? (If "Yes," attach an explanation of how you determine that recipients qualify to receive payments)	3a	X
b Do you have a section 403(b) annuity plan for your employees?	3b	X
c During the year, did the organization receive a contribution of qualified real property interest under section 170(h)?	3c	X
4a Did you maintain any separate account for participating donors where donors have the right to provide advice on the use or distribution of funds?	4a	X
b Do you provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services?	4b	X

Part IV Reason for Non-Private Foundation Status (See instructions.)

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (Please check only **ONE** applicable box.)

- 5** A church, convention of churches, or association of churches Section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)
- 6** A school. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii). (Also complete Part V.)
- 7** A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)
- 8** A Federal, state, or local government or governmental unit Section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).
- 9** A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii). Enter the hospital's name, city, and state ▶ _____
- 10** An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)
- 11a** An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)
- 11b** A community trust. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)
- 12** 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 charitable, etc, 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). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)
- 13** An organization that is not controlled by any disqualified persons (other than foundation managers) and supports organizations described in (1) lines 5 through 12 above; or (2) section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6), if they meet the test of section 509(a)(2) Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization: Type 1 Type 2 Type 3

Provide the following information about the supported organizations. (See instructions.)

(a) Name(s) of supported organization(s)	(b) Line number from above

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

Part IV-A Support Schedule (Complete only if you checked a box on line 10, 11, or 12.) *Use cash method of accounting.*

Note: You may use the worksheet in the instructions for converting from the accrual to the cash method of accounting

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2004	(b) 2003	(c) 2002	(d) 2001	(e) Total
15 Gifts, grants, and contributions received. (Do not include unusual grants. See line 28.)	2,834,681.	3,978,292.	2,109,194.	2,792,874.	11,715,041.
16 Membership fees received	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
17 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or furnishing of facilities in any activity that is related to the organization's charitable, etc, purpose	42,577.	10,593.	19,289.	44,865.	117,324.
18 Gross income from interest, dividends, amounts received from payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), rents, royalties, and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975	21,077.	23,425.	16,832.	62,044.	123,378.
19 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 18	0.	0.		0.	0.
20 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to it or expended on its behalf	0.	0.		0.	0.
21 The value of services or facilities furnished to the organization by a governmental unit without charge. Do not include the value of services or facilities generally furnished to the public without charge	0.	0.		0.	0.
22 Other income. Attach a schedule. Do not include gain or (loss) from sale of capital assets					
23 Total of lines 15 through 22	2,898,335.	4,012,310.	2,145,315.	2,899,783.	11,955,743.
24 Line 23 minus line 17	2,855,758.	4,001,717.	2,126,026.	2,854,918.	11,838,419.
25 Enter 1% of line 23	28,983.	40,123.	21,453.	28,998.	
26 Organizations described on lines 10 or 11:					
a Enter 2% of amount in column (e), line 24					26a 236,768.
b Prepare a list for your records to show the name of and amount contributed by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) whose total gifts for 2001 through 2004 exceeded the amount shown in line 26a. Do not file this list with your return. Enter the total of all these excess amounts					26b 4,259,581.
c Total support for section 509(a)(1) test: Enter line 24, column (e)					26c 11,838,419.
d Add: Amounts from column (e) for lines:	18 123,378.	19 0.			
	22	26b 4,259,581.			26d 4,382,959.
e Public support (line 26c minus line 26d total)					26e 7,455,460.
f Public support percentage (line 26e (numerator) divided by line 26c (denominator))					26f 62.98 %
27 Organizations described on line 12:					
a For amounts included in lines 15, 16, and 17 that were received from a 'disqualified person,' prepare a list for your records to show the name of, and total amounts received in each year from, each 'disqualified person.' Do not file this list with your return. Enter the sum of such amounts for each year:	(2004) _____	(2003) _____	(2002) _____	(2001) _____	
b For any amount included in line 17 that was received from each person (other than 'disqualified persons'), prepare a list for your records to show the name of, and amount received for each year, that was more than the larger of (1) the amount on line 25 for the year or (2) \$5,000 (Include in the list organizations described in lines 5 through 11b, as well as individuals.) Do not file this list with your return. After computing the difference between the amount received and the larger amount described in (1) or (2), enter the sum of these differences (the excess amounts) for each year:	(2004) _____	(2003) _____	(2002) _____	(2001) _____	
c Add: Amounts from column (e) for lines:	15 _____	16 _____			
	17 _____	20 _____	21 _____		
d Add: Line 27a total _____ and line 27b total _____					27c _____
e Public support (line 27c total minus line 27d total)					27d _____
f Total support for section 509(a)(2) test: Enter amount from line 23, column (e)					27e _____
g Public support percentage (line 27e (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator))					27f _____
h Investment income percentage (line 18, column (e) (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator))					27g %
					27h %
28 Unusual Grants: For an organization described in line 10, 11, or 12 that received any unusual grants during 2001 through 2004, prepare a list for your records to show, for each year, the name of the contributor, the date and amount of the grant, and a brief description of the nature of the grant. Do not file this list with your return. Do not include these grants in line 15.					

Part V Private School Questionnaire (See instructions)
 (To be completed ONLY by schools that checked the box on line 6 in Part IV)

N/A
 Yes No

<p>29 Does the organization have a racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students by statement in its charter, bylaws, other governing instrument, or in a resolution of its governing body?</p>	<p>29</p>		
<p>30 Does the organization include a statement of its racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students in all its brochures, catalogues, and other written communications with the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?</p>	<p>30</p>		
<p>31 Has the organization publicized its racially nondiscriminatory policy through newspaper or broadcast media during the period of solicitation for students, or during the registration period if it has no solicitation program, in a way that makes the policy known to all parts of the general community it serves? If 'Yes,' please describe, if 'No,' please explain. (If you need more space, attach a separate statement.)</p> <p>-----</p> <p>-----</p> <p>-----</p>	<p>31</p>		
<p>32 Does the organization maintain the following:</p>			
<p>a Records indicating the racial composition of the student body, faculty, and administrative staff?</p>	<p>32a</p>		
<p>b Records documenting that scholarships and other financial assistance are awarded on a racially nondiscriminatory basis?</p>	<p>32b</p>		
<p>c Copies of all catalogues, brochures, announcements, and other written communications to the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?</p>	<p>32c</p>		
<p>d Copies of all material used by the organization or on its behalf to solicit contributions?</p>	<p>32d</p>		
<p>If you answered 'No' to any of the above, please explain. (If you need more space, attach a separate statement)</p> <p>-----</p> <p>-----</p>			
<p>33 Does the organization discriminate by race in any way with respect to:</p>			
<p>a Students' rights or privileges?</p>	<p>33a</p>		
<p>b Admissions policies?</p>	<p>33b</p>		
<p>c Employment of faculty or administrative staff?</p>	<p>33c</p>		
<p>d Scholarships or other financial assistance?</p>	<p>33d</p>		
<p>e Educational policies?</p>	<p>33e</p>		
<p>f Use of facilities?</p>	<p>33f</p>		
<p>g Athletic programs?</p>	<p>33g</p>		
<p>h Other extracurricular activities?</p>	<p>33h</p>		
<p>If you answered 'Yes' to any of the above, please explain. (If you need more space, attach a separate statement.)</p> <p>-----</p> <p>-----</p>			
<p>34a Does the organization receive any financial aid or assistance from a governmental agency?</p>	<p>34a</p>		
<p>b Has the organization's right to such aid ever been revoked or suspended?</p>	<p>34b</p>		
<p>If you answered 'Yes' to either 34a or b, please explain using an attached statement.</p>			
<p>35 Does the organization certify that it has complied with the applicable requirements of sections 4.01 through 4.05 of Rev Proc 75-50, 1975-2 C.B. 587, covering racial nondiscrimination? If 'No,' attach an explanation.</p>	<p>35</p>		

Part VI-A Lobbying Expenditures by Electing Public Charities (See instructions.)
 (To be completed ONLY by an eligible organization that filed Form 5768)

N/A

Check **a** if the organization belongs to an affiliated group Check **b** if you checked 'a' and 'limited control' provisions apply

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures

(The term 'expenditures' means amounts paid or incurred.)

		(a) Affiliated group totals	(b) To be completed for ALL electing organizations
36 Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grassroots lobbying)	36		0.
37 Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)	37		
38 Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 36 and 37)	38		
39 Other exempt purpose expenditures	39		
40 Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 38 and 39)	40		
41 Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table —			
If the amount on line 40 is —	The lobbying nontaxable amount is —		
Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 40		
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	41	
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		
42 Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 41)	42		
43 Subtract line 42 from line 36. Enter -0- if line 42 is more than line 36	43		
44 Subtract line 41 from line 38. Enter -0- if line 41 is more than line 38	44		
Caution: If there is an amount on either line 43 or line 44, you must file Form 4720.			

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 45 through 50.)

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period				
	(a) 2005	(b) 2004	(c) 2003	(d) 2002	(e) Total
45 Lobbying nontaxable amount					
46 Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 45(e))					
47 Total lobbying expenditures					
48 Grassroots non-taxable amount					
49 Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 48(e))					
50 Grassroots lobbying expenditures					

Part VI-B Lobbying Activity by Nonelecting Public Charities

(For reporting only by organizations that did not complete Part VI-A) (See instructions.)

During the year, did the organization attempt to influence national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of

	Yes	No	Amount
a Volunteers		X	
b Paid staff or management (Include compensation in expenses reported on lines c through h.)		X	
c Media advertisements		X	
d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public		X	
e Publications, or published or broadcast statements		X	
f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes		X	
g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body		X	
h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any other means		X	
i Total lobbying expenditures (add lines c through h.)			

If 'Yes' to any of the above, also attach a statement giving a detailed description of the lobbying activities.

Part VII Information Regarding Transfers To and Transactions and Relationships With Noncharitable Exempt Organizations (See instructions)

51 Did the reporting organization directly or indirectly engage in any of the following with any other organization described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3) organizations) or in section 527, relating to political organizations?

a Transfers from the reporting organization to a noncharitable exempt organization of:

	Yes	No
51 a (i)		X
a (ii)		X
b (i)		X
b (ii)		X
b (iii)		X
b (iv)		X
b (v)		X
b (vi)		X
c		X

- (i) Cash
 - (ii) Other assets
- b Other transactions:
- (i) Sales or exchanges of assets with a noncharitable exempt organization
 - (ii) Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization
 - (iii) Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets
 - (iv) Reimbursement arrangements
 - (v) Loans or loan guarantees
 - (vi) Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations

c Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees

d If the answer to any of the above is 'Yes,' complete the following schedule. Column (b) should always show the fair market value of the goods, other assets, or services given by the reporting organization. If the organization received less than fair market value in any transaction or sharing arrangement, show in column (d) the value of the goods, other assets, or services received.

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

52a Is the organization directly or indirectly affiliated with, or related to, one or more tax-exempt organizations described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3)) or in section 527? Yes No

b If 'Yes,' complete the following schedule:

(a) Name of organization	(b) Type of organization	(c) Description of relationship

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

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Schedule of Contributors
Supplementary Information for
line 1 of Form 990, 990-EZ and 990-PF (see instructions)

OMB No 1545-0047

2005

Name of organization

ATLAS ECONOMIC RESEARCH FOUNDATION

Employer identification number

94-2763845

Organization type (check one):

Filers of:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

Section:

- 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 organizations 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 Form 990-EZ, that met the 33-1/3% support test under Regulations sections 1.509(a)-3/1.170A-9(e) and received from any one contributor, during the year, a contribution of the greater of \$5,000 or 2% of the amount on line 1 of these forms. (Complete Parts I and II.)
- For a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990, or Form 990-EZ, that received from any one contributor, during the year, aggregate contributions or bequests 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 Form 990-EZ, that received from any one contributor, during the year, some contributions for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc, purposes, but these contributions did not aggregate to more than \$1,000. (If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc, purpose. Do not complete any of the Parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received nonexclusively religious, charitable, etc, contributions of \$5,000 or more during the year.) ▶ \$ _____

Caution: Organizations that are not covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules do not file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) but they *must* check the box in the heading of their Form 990, Form 990-EZ, or on line 2 of their Form 990-PF, to certify that they do not meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

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

Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) (2005)

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List of Officers, Etc. Statement

(A) Name and address	(B) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(C) Compensation (if not paid, enter -0-)	(D) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(E) Expense account and other allowances
LINDA WHETSTONE 2000 NORTH 14TH ST, STE 550 ARLINGTON, VA 22201	DIRECTOR 1	0.	0.	0.
GEORGE PEARSON 2000 NORTH 14TH ST, STE 550 ARLINGTON, VA 22201	DIRECTOR 2	0.	0.	0.
JAMES A. POPE 2000 NORTH 14TH ST, STE 550 ARLINGTON, VA 22201	VICE CHAIR OF BOD 1	0.	0.	0.
RENE SCULL 2000 NORTH 14TH ST, STE 550 ARLINGTON, VA 22201	DIRECTOR 1	0.	0.	0.
WILLIAM SUMNER 2000 NORTH 14TH ST, STE 550 ARLINGTON, VA 22201	CHAIRMAN OF BOD 3	0.	0.	0.
HON. CURTIN WINSOR 2000 NORTH 14TH ST, STE 550 ARLINGTON, VA 22201	DIRECTOR 3	0.	0.	0.
DAN GROSSMAN 2000 NORTH 14TH ST, STE 550 ARLINGTON, VA 22201	DIRECTOR 3	0.	0.	0.
LEONARD P. LIGGIO 2000 NORTH 14TH ST, STE 550 ARLINGTON, VA 22201	EXEC VP-ACADEMICS 40	0.	0.	0.
ANDREA RICH 2000 NORTH 14TH ST, STE 550 ARLINGTON, VA 22201	DIRECTOR 0	0.	0.	0.

Form 990, Page 4, Part IV, Line 54

Investments - Securities Statement

Line 54 – Investments - Securities:	Beginning of Year	End of Year
Mutual Funds & T-Bills	375,055.	376,320.
Total	375,055.	376,320.

Supporting Statement of:

Form 990 p 1/Line 20

Description	Amount
UNREALIZED LOSS ON INVESTMENTS	1,320.
PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT	197.
Total	<u>1,517.</u>