

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

OMB No. 1545-0042

1996

Note: The organization may be able to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

For calendar year 1996, or tax year beginning 1996, and ending 19

Use the IRS label. Otherwise, please print or type. See Specific Instructions.

Name of organization: **ANNE T. AND ROBERT M. BASS FOUNDATION**

Number and street (or P.O. box number if mail is not delivered to street address): **201 MAIN STREET**

Room/suite: **2300**

City or town, state, and ZIP code: **FORT WORTH, TX 76102**

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

Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col. (c)): **\$ 24,588,731** (Part I, column (d) must be on cash basis)

Accounting method: Cash Accrual Other (specify)

A Employer identification number: **75-2001892**

B State registration number (see instruction F): **N/A**

C If exemption application is pending, check here

D 1. Foreign organizations (check here)
 2. Organizations meeting the 50% test (check here and attach computation)

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

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

G If address changed, check here

Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses (The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a).)		(a) Revenue and expenses per books	(b) Net investment income	(c) Adjusted net income	(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)
1	Contributions, gifts, grants, etc. received (attach schedule)				
2	Contributions from split-interest trusts				
3	Interest on savings and loan investments	374,423.	374,423.	374,423.	STATEMENT 1
4	Dividends and interest from securities	44,258.	44,259.	44,258.	STATEMENT 2
5a	Gross rents				
b	Net rental income or (loss) (Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on capital gain schedule)	167,641.			
6	Capital gain or (loss) (Net long-term capital gain; include modifications; also see instructions)		167,641.		
7	Other income			1,557.	
8	Gross profit or (loss)				
11	Other income	798,493.	798,493.	798,493.	STATEMENT 3
12	Total (add lines 1 through 11)	1,384,815.	1,384,815.	1,258,731.	
13	Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc.	0.	0.	0.	0.
14	Other employee salaries and wages				
15	Pension plans, employee benefits				
16a	Legal fees STMT 4	616.	616.	616.	0.
b	Accounting fees				
c	Other professional fees				
17	Interest				
18	Taxes STMT 5	46,113.	12,213.	12,213.	0.
19	Depreciation and depletion				
20	Occupancy				
21	Travel, conferences, and meetings				
22	Printing and publications				
23	Other expenses STMT 6	590,093.	590,065.	590,065.	0.
24	Total operating and administrative expenses (add lines 13 through 23)	636,822.	602,894.	602,894.	0.
25	Contributions, gifts, grants paid	535,000.			535,000.
26	Total expenses and disbursements (add lines 24 and 25)	1,171,822.	602,894.	602,894.	535,000.
27a	Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements (line 12 minus line 26)	212,993.			
b	Net investment income (if negative, enter "-")		781,921.		
c	Adjusted net income (if negative, enter "-")			655,837.	

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