

Form **990**

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

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

OMB No 1545-0047

2004

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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

Open to Public Inspection

A For the 2004 calendar year, or tax year beginning and ending

B Check if applicable <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions	C Name of organization RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES, INC.		D Employer identification number 52-1184957
		Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite 635 W. LEXINGTON STREET		E Telephone number 4105281010
		City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 BALTIMORE, MD 21201		F Accounting method <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)

Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).

H and **I** are not applicable to section 527 organizations.

H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates? Yes No

H(b) If "Yes," enter number of affiliates

H(c) Are all affiliates included? **N/A** Yes No (If "No," attach a list.)

H(d) Is this a separate return filed by an organization covered by a group ruling? Yes No

I Group Exemption Number

G Website: **WWW.RMHBALTIMORE.COM**

J Organization type (check only one) 501(c) (3) (insert no.) 4947(a)(1) or 527

K Check here if the organization's gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000. The organization need not file a return with the IRS; but if the organization received a Form 990 Package in the mail, it should file a return without financial data. Some states require a complete return.

L Gross receipts: Add lines 6b, 8b, 9b, and 10b to line 12 **1,631,859.**

M Check if the organization is not required to attach Sch. B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances

Revenue	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received:			
	a	Direct public support	1a	730,939.	
	b	Indirect public support	1b	53,730.	
	c	Government contributions (grants)	1c		
	d	Total (add lines 1a through 1c) (cash \$ 784,669. noncash \$)	1d	784,669.	
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts (from Part VII, line 93)	2	81,792.	
	3	Membership dues and assessments	3		
	4	Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	4	5,915.	
	5	Dividends and interest from securities	5	18,788.	
	6a	Gross rents	6a		
	b	Less: rental expenses	6b		
	c	Net rental income or (loss) (subtract line 6b from line 6a)	6c		
7	Other investment income (describe)	7			
Revenue	8a	Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(A) Securities	(B) Other	
	b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	8a		
	c	Gain or (loss) (attach schedule)	8b		
	d	Net gain or (loss) (combine line 8c, columns (A) and (B))	8c		
8d		8d			
9	Special events and activities (attach schedule). If any amount is from gaming, check here <input type="checkbox"/>				
a	Gross revenue (not including \$ 0. of contributions reported on line 1a)	9a	728,034.		
b	Less: direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	9b	187,802.		
c	Net income or (loss) from special events (subtract line 9b from line 9a)	9c	540,232.		
10a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	10a			
b	Less: cost of goods sold	10b			
c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (attach schedule) (subtract line 10b from line 10a)	10c			
11	Other revenue (from Part VII, line 103)	11	12,661.		
12	Total revenue (add lines 1d, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6c, 7, 8d, 9c, 10c, and 11)	12	1,444,057.		
Expenses	13	Program services (from line 44, column (B))	13	746,057.	
	14	Management and general (from line 44, column (C))	14	108,278.	
	15	Fundraising (from line 44, column (D))	15	119,703.	
	16	Payments to affiliates (attach schedule)	16	18,980.	
	17	Total expenses (add lines 13 and 14, column (A))	17	993,018.	
18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (subtract line 17 from line 12)	18	451,039.		
Net Assets	19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 73, column (A))	19	4,122,250.	
	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)	20	99,501.	
	21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year (combine lines 18, 19, and 20)	21	4,672,790.	

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SEE STATEMENT 1

SEE STATEMENT 2

SEE STATEMENT 3

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Form 990 (2004)

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES, INC.

52-1184957

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. Page 2

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 (attach schedule) <i>See Statement C</i> (cash \$ 66,650 • noncash \$ _____)	66,650.	66,650.		
23	Specific assistance to individuals (attach schedule)				
24	Benefits paid to or for members (attach schedule)				
25	Compensation of officers, directors, etc.	102,977.	51,489.	25,744.	25,744.
26	Other salaries and wages	307,934.	234,030.	40,031.	33,873.
27	Pension plan contributions				
28	Other employee benefits	7,158.	5,513.	907.	738.
29	Payroll taxes	32,027.	24,229.	4,301.	3,497.
30	Professional fundraising fees				
31	Accounting fees	22,942.		22,942.	
32	Legal fees	3,186.		3,186.	
33	Supplies	22,493.	22,493.		
34	Telephone	9,566.	7,187.	2,379.	
35	Postage and shipping	5,895.	5,895.		
36	Occupancy				
37	Equipment rental and maintenance				
38	Printing and publications				
39	Travel	27,372.	27,372.		
40	Conferences, conventions, and meetings	5,053.	3,086.	1,967.	
41	Interest				
42	Depreciation, depletion, etc. (attach schedule)	149,046.	149,046.		
43	Other expenses not covered above (itemize):				
a	_____				
b	_____				
c	_____				
d	_____				
e	SEE STATEMENT 4	211,739.	149,067.	6,821.	55,851.
44	Total functional expenses (add lines 22 through 43). Organizations completing columns (B)-(D), carry these totals to lines 13-15.	974,038.	746,057.	108,278.	119,703.

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 \$ _____

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? SEE STATEMENT D	Program Service Expenses (Required for 501(c)(3) and (4) orgs., and 4947(a)(1) trusts, but optional for others.)
a SEE STATEMENT D	
(Grants and allocations \$ _____)	679,407.
b SEE STATEMENT D	
(Grants and allocations \$ 66,650.)	66,650.
c	
(Grants and allocations \$ _____)	
d	
(Grants and allocations \$ _____)	
e Other program services (attach schedule)	(Grants and allocations \$ _____)
f Total of Program Service Expenses (should equal line 44, column (B), Program services)	746,057.

Part IV Balance Sheets

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		45
	46 Savings and temporary cash investments	666,402.	46 1,279,322.
	47 a Accounts receivable	47a	
	b Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	47b	47c
	48 a Pledges receivable	48a 110,376.	
	b Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	48b 18,000.	48c 92,376.
	49 Grants receivable		49
	50 Receivables from officers, directors, trustees, and key employees		50
	51 a Other notes and loans receivable	51a	
	b Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	51b	51c
	52 Inventories for sale or use		52
	53 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	40,968.	53 9,160.
	54 Investments - securities STMT 5 <input type="checkbox"/> Cost <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FMV	805,419.	54 920,273.
	55 a Investments - land, buildings, and equipment: basis	55a	
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	55b	55c
56 Investments - other		56	
57 a Land, buildings, and equipment: basis	57a 4,382,530.		
b Less: accumulated depreciation <i>See Statement A</i>	57b 1,927,989.	57c 2,454,541.	
58 Other assets (describe <input type="checkbox"/>)		58	
59 Total assets (add lines 45 through 58) (must equal line 74)	4,225,656.	59 4,755,672.	
Liabilities	60 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	90,906.	60 57,272.
	61 Grants payable	12,500.	61 25,610.
	62 Deferred revenue		62
	63 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and key employees		63
	64 a Tax-exempt bond liabilities		64a
	b Mortgages and other notes payable		64b
	65 Other liabilities (describe <input type="checkbox"/>)		65
66 Total liabilities (add lines 60 through 65)	103,406.	66 82,882.	
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 <i>See Statement F</i>	3,381,667.	67 4,191,540.
	68 Temporarily restricted	259,333.	68 0.
	69 Permanently restricted	481,250.	69 481,250.
	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)	4,122,250.	73 4,672,790.	
74 Total liabilities and net assets / fund balances (add lines 66 and 73)	4,225,656.	74 4,755,672.	

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.

Part IV-A Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements with Revenue per Return

a Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	a 1,531,134.
b Amounts included on line a but not on line 12, Form 990:	
(1) Net unrealized gains on investments \$ 99,501.	
(2) Donated services and use of facilities \$	
(3) Recoveries of prior year grants \$	
(4) Other (specify):	
Add amounts on lines (1) through (4)	b 99,501.
c Line a minus line b	c 1,431,633.
d Amounts included on line 12, Form 990 but not on line a :	
(1) Investment expenses not included on line 6b, Form 990 \$	
(2) Other (specify):	
STMT 6 \$ 12,424.	
Add amounts on lines (1) and (2)	d 12,424.
e Total revenue per line 12, Form 990 (line c plus line d)	e 1,444,057.

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

a Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	a 980,594.
b Amounts included on line a but not on line 17, Form 990:	
(1) Donated services and use of facilities \$	
(2) Prior year adjustments reported on line 20, Form 990 \$	
(3) Losses reported on line 20, Form 990 \$	
(4) Other (specify):	
Add amounts on lines (1) through (4)	b 0.
c Line a minus line b	c 980,594.
d Amounts included on line 17, Form 990 but not on line a :	
(1) Investment expenses not included on line 6b, Form 990 \$	
(2) Other (specify):	
STMT 7 \$ 12,424.	
Add amounts on lines (1) and (2)	d 12,424.
e Total expenses per line 17, Form 990 (line c plus line d)	e 993,018.

Part V List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (List each one even if not compensated.)

(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 & deferred compensation	(E) Expense account and other allowances
ANNETTE MERZ ----- BALTIMORE, MD 21030	PRESIDENT 1	0.	0.	0.
KEITH PERSINGER ----- BALTIMORE, MD 21201	VICE PRESIDENT 1	0.	0.	0.
LORETTA LEWIS WALL ----- BALTIMORE, MD 21044	SECRETARY 1	0.	0.	0.
ROBERT E. LEE ----- BALTIMORE, MD 21030	TREASURER 1	0.	0.	0.
MARIANNE ROWAN-BRAUN ----- BALTIMORE, MD 21201	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR 40	102,977.	0.	0.
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75 Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee receive aggregate compensation of more than \$100,000 from your organization and all related organizations, of which more than \$10,000 was provided by the related organizations? If "Yes," attach schedule. Yes No

Part VII Other Information

76 Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity
77 Were any changes made in the organizing or governing documents but not reported to the IRS?
78 a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year covered by this return?
78 b 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?
80 a 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?
80 b If "Yes," enter the name of the organization
81 a Enter direct or indirect political expenditures. See line 81 instructions
81 b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?
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?
82 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.
83 a Did the organization comply with the public inspection requirements for returns and exemption applications?
83 b Did the organization comply with the disclosure requirements relating to quid pro quo contributions?
84 a Did the organization solicit any contributions or gifts that were not tax deductible?
84 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?
85 b Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?
85 c Dues, assessments, and similar amounts from members
85 d Section 162(e) lobbying and political expenditures
85 e Aggregate nondeductible amount of section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices
85 f Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (line 85d less 85e)
85 g Does the organization elect to pay the section 6033(e) tax on the amount on line 85f?
85 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 b Gross receipts, included on line 12, for public use of club facilities
87 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter: a Gross income from members or shareholders
87 b Gross income from other sources. (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)
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?
89 a 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter: Amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911
89 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?
89 c Enter: Amount of tax imposed on the organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958
89 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
90 b Number of employees employed in the pay period that includes March 12, 2004
91 The books are in care of

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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

Part VII Analysis of Income-Producing Activities (See page 33 of 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) Exclu- sion code	(D) Amount	
93 Program service revenue:					
a GUEST FEES					73,355.
b PARKING INCOME					4,538.
c VENDING					3,899.
d					
e					
f Medicare/Medicaid payments					
g Fees and contracts from government agencies					
94 Membership dues and assessments					
95 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments			14	5,915.	
96 Dividends and interest from securities			14	18,788.	
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 personal property					
99 Other investment income					
100 Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory					
101 Net income or (loss) from special events			01	540,232.	
102 Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory					
103 Other revenue:					
a RMH CLOTHING			12	237.	
b REDUCTION OF BAD DEBT					
c ALLOWANCE			01	12,424.	
d					
e					
104 Subtotal (add columns (B), (D), and (E))		0.		577,596.	81,792.
105 Total (add line 104, columns (B), (D), and (E))					659,388.

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 page 34 of 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).
▼	SEE STATEMENT E

Part IX Information Regarding Taxable Subsidiaries and Disregarded Entities (See page 34 of the instructions.)

(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
N/A	%			
	%			
	%			
	%			

Part X Information Regarding Transfers Associated with Personal Benefit Contracts (See page 34 of 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 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.

Date: 8/9/05 Type or print name and title: Keith D. Pensinger; VP

Date: 8/5/05 Check if self-employed: Preparer's SSN or PTIN: 218-52-2858

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Organization Exempt Under Section 501(c)(3)

(Except Private Foundation) and Section 501(e), 501(f), 501(k),
501(n), or Section 4947(a)(1) Nonexempt Charitable Trust

Supplementary Information-(See separate instructions.)
▶ **MUST be completed by the above organizations and attached to their Form 990 or 990-EZ**

OMB No 1545-0047

2004

Name of the organization **RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES, INC.** Employer identification number **52 1184957**

Part I Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Employees Other Than Officers, Directors, and Trustees
(See page 1 of the 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 & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
<u>MARIANNE ROWAN-BRAUN</u>	<u>EXEC DIRECTOR</u>			
	<u>40</u>	<u>102,977.</u>		
Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000	<u>0</u>			

Part II Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Independent Contractors for Professional Services
(See page 2 of the 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
<u>NONE</u>		
Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services	<u>0</u>	

Part III Statements About Activities (See page 2 of the 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.		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?		X
b Lending of money or other extension of credit?		X
c Furnishing of goods, services, or facilities?		X
d Payment of compensation (or payment or reimbursement of expenses if more than \$1,000)?	X	
e Transfer of any part of its income or assets?		X
3 a 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.)		X
b Do you have a section 403(b) annuity plan for your employees?		X
4 a Did you maintain any separate account for participating donors where donors have the right to provide advice on the use or distribution of funds?		X
b Do you provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services?		X

Part IV Reason for Non-Private Foundation Status (See pages 3 through 6 of the 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). (See section 509(a)(3).)

Provide the following information about the supported organizations. (See page 5 of the 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 page 5 of the instructions.)

Part IVA 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) 2003	(b) 2002	(c) 2001	(d) 2000	(e) Total
15 Gifts, grants, and contributions received. (Do not include unusual grants. See line 28.)	866,048.	336,136.	761,730.	555,834.	2,519,748.
16 Membership fees received					
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	88,449.	92,065.	61,202.	102,231.	343,947.
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	15,417.	18,773.	33,450.	62,889.	130,529.
19 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 18					
20 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to it or expended on its behalf					
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					
22 Other income. Attach a schedule. Do not include gain or (loss) from sale of capital assets					
23 Total of lines 15 through 22	969,914.	446,974.	856,382.	720,954.	2,994,224.
24 Line 23 minus line 17	881,465.	354,909.	795,180.	618,723.	2,650,277.
25 Enter 1% of line 23	9,699.	4,470.	8,564.	7,210.	

26 Organizations described on lines 10 or 11: a Enter 2% of amount in column (e), line 24	26a	N/A
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 2000 through 2003 exceeded the amount shown in line 26a. Do not file this list with your return. Enter the total of all these excess amounts	26b	N/A
c Total support for section 509(a)(1) test: Enter line 24, column (e)	26c	N/A
d Add: Amounts from column (e) for lines: 18 _____ 19 _____ 22 _____ 26b _____	26d	N/A
e Public support (line 26c minus line 26d total)	26e	N/A
f Public support percentage (line 26e (numerator) divided by line 26c (denominator))	26f	N/A %

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: (2003) 529,331. (2002) 20,000. (2001) 274,833. (2000) 284,292.		
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 11, 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: (2003) 0. (2002) 0. (2001) 0. (2000) 0.		
c Add: Amounts from column (e) for lines: 15 2,519,748. 16 _____ 17 343,947. 20 _____ 21 _____	27c	2,863,695.
d Add: Line 27a total 1,108,456. and line 27b total 0.	27d	1,108,456.
e Public support (line 27c total minus line 27d total)	27e	1,755,239.
f Total support for section 509(a)(2) test: Enter amount on line 23, column (e)	27f	2,994,224.
g Public support percentage (line 27e (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator))	27g	58.6208%
h Investment income percentage (line 18, column (e) (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator))	27h	4.3594%

28 Unusual Grants: For an organization described in line 10, 11, or 12 that received any unusual grants during 2000 through 2003, 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.

NONE

Part V Private School Questionnaire (See page 7 of the instructions.)

N/A

(To be completed ONLY by schools that checked the box on line 6 in Part IV)

		Yes	No
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?		
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?		
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.)		
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32	Does the organization maintain the following:		
a	Records indicating the racial composition of the student body, faculty, and administrative staff?		
b	Records documenting that scholarships and other financial assistance are awarded on a racially nondiscriminatory basis?		
c	Copies of all catalogues, brochures, announcements, and other written communications to the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?		
d	Copies of all material used by the organization or on its behalf to solicit contributions? If you answered "No" to any of the above, please explain. (If you need more space, attach a separate statement.)		
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33	Does the organization discriminate by race in any way with respect to:		
a	Students' rights or privileges?		
b	Admissions policies?		
c	Employment of faculty or administrative staff?		
d	Scholarships or other financial assistance?		
e	Educational policies?		
f	Use of facilities?		
g	Athletic programs?		
h	Other extracurricular activities? If you answered "Yes" to any of the above, please explain. (If you need more space, attach a separate statement.)		
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34 a	Does the organization receive any financial aid or assistance from a governmental agency?		
b	Has the organization's right to such aid ever been revoked or suspended? If you answered "Yes" to either 34a or b, please explain using an attached statement.		
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		

Part VI-A Lobbying Expenditures by Electing Public Charities (See page 9 of the instructions.) **N/A**
 (To be completed ONLY by an eligible organization that filed Form 5768)

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
		N/A	
36 Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grassroots lobbying) ..	36		
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		
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 on page 11 of the instructions.)

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period				N/A
	(a) 2004	(b) 2003	(c) 2002	(d) 2001	(e) Total
45 Lobbying nontaxable amount					0.
46 Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 45(e))					0.
47 Total lobbying expenditures					0.
48 Grassroots nontaxable amount					0.
49 Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 48(e))					0.
50 Grassroots lobbying expenditures					0.

Part VI-B Lobbying Activity by Nonelecting Public Charities
 (For reporting only by organizations that did not complete Part VI-A) (See page 11 of the 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:

- a** Volunteers
- b** Paid staff or management (Include compensation in expenses reported on lines c through h.)
- c** Media advertisements
- d** Mailings to members, legislators, or the public
- e** Publications, or published or broadcast statements
- f** Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes
- g** Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body
- h** Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any other means
- i** Total lobbying expenditures (Add lines c through h.)

Yes	No	Amount
	X	
	X	
	X	
	X	
	X	
	X	
	X	
	X	
		0.

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

RONALD MC DONALD HOUSE CHARITIES, INC.
EIN: 52-1184957
FORM 990
SCHEDULE OF ASSETS
PART IV - LINE 57a & b
YEAR END 12/31/04

	F/A	F/A
	<u>12/31/03</u>	<u>12/31/04</u>
<u>PROPERTY & EQUIPMENT</u>		
BUILDINGS	1,099,097	1,099,097
BUILDING EXPANSION	1,584,974	1,584,974
LEASEHOLD IMPOROVEMENTS	887,168	892,742
FURNITURE AND FIXTURES	393,974	419,421
MEMORIAL WALL	38,472	38,472
COMPUTERS	116,179	116,179
VEHICLE	25,895	25,895
PLAYGROUND RENOVTION	0	205,750
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>4,145,759</u>	<u>4,382,530</u>
	A/D	A/D
	<u>12/31/03</u>	<u>12/31/04</u>
<u>ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION</u>		
TOTAL	<u>1,778,943</u>	<u>1,927,989</u>
NET ASSETS	<u>2,366,816</u>	<u>2,454,541</u>

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Ronald McDonald House Charities of Baltimore, Inc.
Grant Information for 2004 990
Part II, Line 22

Name: Salisbury Zoo Commission, Inc. (Ben's Red Swings) \$ 8,750.00
Salisbury, MD

Relationship to Substantial Contributor: None

Foundation status of Recipient: 501(c)(3)

Purpose of Grant: Funds to purchase playground equipment and decking to make playground accessible and enjoyable for children with physical challenges

Name: Baseball Factory Foundation, Inc. \$ 2,890.00
Baltimore, MD

Relationship to Substantial Contributor: None

Foundation status of Recipient: 501(c)(3)

Purpose of Grant: Funds to purchase uniforms and equipment to benefit over 150 at-risk middle school students

Name: Leon Day Foundation, Inc. \$ 3,120.00
Baltimore, MD

Relationship to Substantial Contributor: None

Foundation status of Recipient: 501(c)(3)

Purpose of Grant: Funds to purchase uniforms for 213 disadvantaged youth for participation in organized sports

Name: Maryland Conservatory of Music, Inc. \$ 2,500.00
Belair, MD

Relationship to Substantial Contributor: None

Foundation status of Recipient: 501(c)(3)

Purpose of Grant: Funds used to provide tuition scholarships for 150 economically disadvantaged children to study music

Name: Norbel School, Inc. \$ 26,220.00
Elkridge, MD

Relationship to Substantial Contributor: None

Foundation status of Recipient: 501(c)(3)

Purpose of Grant: Funds to purchase music workstations for over 100 children with learning disabilities

Name: Imagination Stage, Inc. \$ 3,333.34
Baltimore, MD

Relationship to Substantial Contributor: None

Foundation status of Recipient: 501(c)(3)

Purpose of Grant: Funds used to implement an arts-based Imagination Quest Program benefiting at-risk children

Name: 100 Black Men of Maryland, Inc. \$ 1,666.67
Baltimore, MD

Relationship to Substantial Contributor: None

Foundation status of Recipient: 501(c)(3)

Purpose of Grant: Funds used for the development and implementation of a basketball academy SAT preparatory program benefiting 600 middle and high school student athletes

Name: Center for Poverty Solutions, Inc. \$ 3,333.34
Baltimore, MD

Relationship to Substantial Contributor: None

Foundation status of Recipient: 501(c)(3)

Purpose of Grant: Funds to purchase tools, equipment, fencing, plants and seeds to create an Edible School Yard benefiting over 500 children

Name: Human Development Corporation (The Summit School) \$ 6,336.00
Edgewater, MD

Relationship to Substantial Contributor: None

Foundation status of Recipient: 501(c)(3)

Purpose of Grant: Funds to purchase two Mobile Multimedia Technology Stations, four laptop computers, and two desktop computers to benefit 100 children with language based disabilities

Name: Family Tree, Inc.
Baltimore, MD

\$ 3,333.34

Relationship to Substantial Contributor: None

Foundation status of Recipient: 501(c)(3)

Purpose of Grant: Funds to purchase activity kits, computers and storage cabinet for supplies to expand existing programs benefiting over 160 children

Name: Baltimore Reads, Inc.
Baltimore, MD

\$ 5,167.31

Relationship to Substantial Contributor: None

Foundation status of Recipient: 501(c)(3)

Purpose of Grant: Funds to purchase a Book Truck, furniture and steel shelving for a new reading area in the Children's Corner benefiting over 2,000 children annually

Ronald McDonald House Charities of Baltimore, Inc.
Primary Exempt Purpose / Program Service Accomplishments

Primary Exempt Purpose (Part III) - Ronald McDonald House Charities of Baltimore, Inc. provides a home away from home for seriously ill children and their families and helps to fund programs in the state of Maryland that directly improve the well being of children.

Part III a Description of Program Service One

Ronald McDonald House Charities of Baltimore, Inc. owns and operates the Ronald McDonald House. The Baltimore Ronald McDonald House is located in the city of Baltimore. The five hospitals primarily served by the Ronald McDonald House are University of Maryland Medical System, Johns Hopkins Hospital, Sinai Hospital, Mt. Washington Pediatric Hospital and Kennedy Krieger Institute. There are no specific geographic parameters regarding service, as the House serves families from every part of the state of Maryland as well as all corners of the world. To be eligible to stay at the House, a family must have a child age 21 or younger receiving treatment at any one of the area hospitals. The families must be referred by a social worker from the hospital to stay at the House. Families are asked to pay a de minimus rate for the room and the parking garage. The room rate is \$10 per night and the parking garage rate is \$1 per night, which only partly defrays operating costs. However, the social workers determine each family's ability to pay and the room and parking charges can be reduced or waived in their entirety, without affecting eligibility.

The House has 37 rooms, primarily with a double and single bed in each room. There are 2 rooms with single beds only and 2 suites containing a living room and kitchen. The occupancy rate averaged 91% during 2004.

More than 1,000 volunteers assisted during the year by providing meals for the families, clerical support, gardening, and hosting special events for the families. Additionally, donations of items such as paper products and house supplies are received during the year which provides a small reduction in expenses.

Funds are solicited through semiannual newsletters. Additionally an annual Golf Tournament is conducted in August of each year and helps to raise money for the Ronald McDonald House.

Part III b Description of Program Service Two

Ronald McDonald House is the cornerstone program of RMHC but can only help 37 families at a time. To meet the broader mission of the organization, RMHC provided grants to other nonprofit organizations in the state of Maryland. Money used for grant making comes from special promotions held by our local McDonald franchises, special designated fundraising activities and the matching grant account funded by the national chapter of RMHC in Oak Brook, Illinois. A list of the 2004 grant recipients is attached (See Statement C)

Ronald McDonald House Charities of Baltimore, Inc.
990 Part VIII

Line 93a (Guest Fees) - The organization operates a home away from home for families of children who come to the medical facilities in Baltimore, Maryland for diagnosis and treatment. The Ronald McDonald House offers safe and inexpensive residential accommodations near the hospitals served with complimentary shuttle service for those who need transportation. These fees represent the de minimis room rate donated by the families. The families are not excluded due to inability to pay. The excess of program expenses over the program revenue is funded by contributions.

Line 93b (Parking Income) - The Ronald McDonald House operated by the organization has access to a nearby parking garage. The organization pays for 20 garage spaces for the convenience of the guests who have vehicles with them. These fees represent the de minimis parking rate donated by the families. The families are not excluded due to inability to pay. The excess of program expenses over the program revenue is funded by contributions.

Line 93c (Vending Income) - The Ronald McDonald House maintains a soda machine entirely for the convenience of our guests. These revenues are incidental to the organization.

RONALD MC DONALD HOUSE CHARITIES, INC.

EIN: 52-1184957

FORM 990

UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS

PART IV - LINE 67

YEAR END 12/31/04

<u>UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS:</u>	<u>12/31/03</u>	<u>12/31/04</u>
UNDESIGNATED	1,014,851	1,736,999
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT	<u>2,366,816</u>	<u>2,454,541</u>
TOTAL UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS	<u><u>3,381,667</u></u>	<u><u>4,191,540</u></u>

FORM 990 SPECIAL EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES STATEMENT 1

DESCRIPTION OF EVENT	GROSS RECEIPTS	CONTRIBUT. INCLUDED	GROSS REVENUE	DIRECT EXPENSES	NET INCOME
PRO AM GOLF, GALA, EVENTS, ETC.	728,034.		728,034.	187,802.	540,232.
TO FM 990, PART I, LINE 9	728,034.		728,034.	187,802.	540,232.

FORM 990 PAYMENTS TO AFFILIATES STATEMENT 2

AFFILIATE'S NAME	AFFILIATE'S ADDRESS	AMOUNT
RMHC NATIONAL	OAK BROOK, IL	
PURPOSE OF PAYMENT		AMOUNT
ROYALTY PAID FOR NATIONAL PROMOTION		18,980.
TOTAL TO FORM 990, PART I, LINE 16		18,980.

FORM 990 OTHER CHANGES IN NET ASSETS OR FUND BALANCES STATEMENT 3

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
GAIN FROM INVESTMENTS	99,501.
TOTAL TO FORM 990, PART I, LINE 20	99,501.

FORM 990 OTHER EXPENSES STATEMENT 4

DESCRIPTION	(A) TOTAL	(B) PROGRAM SERVICES	(C) MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL	(D) FUNDRAISING
BANK CHARGES	2,658.		2,658.	
COMMUNITY COMMUNICATION	20,875.	1,064.		19,811.
DESIGNATED NEEDS	5,850.	5,850.		
DUES AND SUBSCRIPTIONS	1,015.	1,015.		
FAMILY EXPENSES	2,334.	2,334.		
INSURANCE	30,450.	27,434.	3,016.	
SPECIAL EVENTS	36,040.			36,040.
OPERATING EXPENSE	1,575.	428.	1,147.	
MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS	54,753.	54,753.		
UTILITIES	53,379.	53,379.		
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	2,810.	2,810.		
TOTAL TO FM 990, LN 43	211,739.	149,067.	6,821.	55,851.

FORM 990 OTHER SECURITIES STATEMENT 5

SECURITY DESCRIPTION	COST/FMV	OTHER SECURITIES
COMMON STOCK	FMV	199,579.
MUTUAL FUNDS	FMV	720,694.
TO FORM 990, LINE 54, COL B		920,273.

FORM 990 OTHER REVENUE INCLUDED ON FORM 990 STATEMENT 6

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
REDUCTION OF BAD DEBT ALLOWANCE	12,424.
TOTAL TO FORM 990, PART IV-A	12,424.

FORM 990 OTHER EXPENSES INCLUDED ON FORM 990 STATEMENT 7

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
REDUCTION OF BAD DEBT ALLOWANCE	12,424.
TOTAL TO FORM 990, PART IV-B	12,424.

Application for Extension of Time To File an Exempt Organization Return

OMB No. 1545-1709

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

▶ File a separate application for each return.

- If you are filing for an Automatic 3-Month Extension, complete only Part I and check this box
- If you are filing for an Additional (not automatic) 3-Month Extension, complete only Part II (on page 2 of this form).

Do not complete Part II unless you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.

Part I Automatic 3-Month Extension of Time - Only submit original (no copies needed)

Form 990-T corporations requesting an automatic 6-month extension - check this box and complete Part I only.

All other corporations (including Form 990-C filers) must use Form 7004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns. Partnerships, REMICs, and trusts must use Form 8736 to request an extension of time to file Form 1065, 1066, or 1041.

Electronic Filing (e-file). Form 8868 can be filed electronically if you want a 3-month automatic extension of time to file one of the returns noted below (6 months for corporate Form 990-T filers). However, you cannot file it electronically if you want the additional (not automatic) 3-month extension, instead you must submit the fully completed signed page 2 (Part II) of Form 8868. For more details on the electronic filing of this form, visit www.irs.gov/efile.

Type or print	Name of Exempt Organization RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES, INC.	Employer identification number 52-1184957
File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions.	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions. 635 W. LEXINGTON STREET	
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions. BALTIMORE, MD 21201	

Check type of return to be filed (file a separate application for each return):

- | | | |
|--|--|------------------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990 | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T (corporation) | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 4720 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-BL | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T(sec. 401(a) or 408(a) trust) | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 5227 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-EZ | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T (trust other than above) | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 6069 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-PF | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 1041-A | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 8870 |

• The books are in the care of ▶ **RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES, INC.**

Telephone No. ▶ **410-727-6177** FAX No. ▶ _____

- If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box
- If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) _____ . If this is for the whole group, check this box . If it is for part of the group, check this box and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension will cover.

1 I request an automatic 3-month (6-months for a Form 990-T corporation) extension of time until **AUGUST 15**, **2005**, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for:
 ▶ calendar year **2004** or
 ▶ tax year beginning _____, _____, and ending _____, _____.

2 If this tax year is for less than 12 months, check reason: Initial return Final return Change in accounting period

3a If this application is for Form 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions \$ _____

b If this application is for Form 990-PF or 990-T, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit \$ _____

c Balance Due. Subtract line 3b from line 3a. Include your payment with this form, or, if required, deposit with FTD coupon or, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions \$ None

Caution. If you are going to make an electronic fund withdrawal with this Form 8868, see Form 8453-EO and Form 8879-EO for payment instructions.

For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see Instructions.