

Sears Hometown & Outlet Stores, Inc.  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**SEARS HOLDINGS CORP**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 Sears Hometown & Outlet Stores, Inc. [SHOS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 09/07/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 \_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below)  
 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

3333 BEVERLY ROAD

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

HOFFMAN ESTATES, IL 60179

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |     |       |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----|-------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Code  | V  | Amount                            | (D) | Price |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

| 1. Title of Derivative Security | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|--|--|---|
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| (Instr. 3)                               | Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8)<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable          | Expiration<br>Date | Title           |
|--|------------------------------------|------------------|---|------|---|-----|-----|---------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Option to<br>purchase<br>common<br>stock | \$ 3.27 <sup>(1)</sup>             | 09/07/2012       | D <sup>(2)</sup>                                      |      |   |     |     | 09/11/2012 <sup>(3)</sup> | 10/08/2012         | Common<br>Stock |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| SEARS HOLDINGS CORP<br>3333 BEVERLY ROAD<br>HOFFMAN ESTATES, IL 60179 |               |           | X       |       |

## Signatures

By: /s/ Charles J. Hansen, Vice President, Chief Counsel and Assistant Secretary 09/11/2012

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The price per whole share of Sears Hometown and Outlet Stores, Inc. common stock is \$15.00. Each right will entitle its holder to purchase from Sears Holdings Corporation 0.218091 of a share of Sears Hometown and Outlet Stores, Inc. common stock.
- (2) Sears Holdings Corporation is scheduled to distribute to all of the holders of Sears Holdings Corporation common stock of record as of September 7, 2012 rights to acquire all of the shares of Sears Hometown and Outlet Stores, Inc. common stock owned by Sears Holdings Corporation on September 11, 2012. Sears Holdings Corporation will retain the right to cancel these rights to acquire shares of Sears Hometown and Outlet Stores, Inc. common stock until October 8, 2012.
- (3) Holders of the rights to acquire Sears Hometown and Outlet Stores, Inc. common stock may exercise such rights beginning on the date of distribution, which is scheduled for September 11, 2012. Once exercised, these rights will be irrevocable. However, no shares of Sears Hometown and Outlet Stores, Inc. common stock will be distributed to holders who elect to exercise such rights until after October 8, 2012.

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