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Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM S-1

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

SOUND FINANCIAL BANCORP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland 6035 Applied For
(State or other jurisdiction of (Primary Standard Industrial (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
incorporation or organization) Classification Code Number)

2005 Fifth Avenue, Second Floor, Seattle, Washington 98121; (206) 448-0884

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant s principal executive offices)

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: As soon as practicable after this Registration Statement becomes effective.
If any of the securities being registered on this Form are being offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933 check the following box. [X]
If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. []
If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier registration statement for the same offering. []
If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(d) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier registration statement for the same offering. []
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Large accelerated filer []

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Each Class of Securities to be Registered	Amount to be Registered		Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Unit		Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price		Amount of Registration Fee
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	3,126,949		\$10.00		\$31,269,940 (1)		\$3,584
401(k) Plan Participation Interests	361,892 (2)						(3)

⁽¹⁾ Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee.

- (2) In addition, pursuant to Rule 416(c) under the Securities Act, this registration statement also covers an indeterminate amount of interests to be offered or sold pursuant to the employee benefit plan described herein.
- (3) The securities of Sound Financial Bancorp, Inc. to be purchased by the Sound Community Bank 401(k) Plan are included in the amount shown for common stock. Accordingly, no separate fee is required for the participation interests. In accordance with Rule 457(h) of the Securities Act, as amended, the registration fee has been calculated on the basis of the number of shares of common stock that may be purchased with the current assets of such Plan.

The Registrant hereby amends this Registration Statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the Registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this Registration Statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 or until the Registration Statement shall become effective on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

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SUBSCRIPTION AND COMMMUNITY

OFFERING PROSPECTUS

SOUND FINANCIAL BANCORP, INC.

(Proposed Holding Company for Sound Community Bank)

Up to 1,495,000 Shares of Common Stock

(Subject to Increase to up to 1,719,250 Shares)

\$10.00 per Share

Sound Financial Bancorp, Inc., a Maryland corporation referred to throughout this document as Sound Financial Bancorp, is offering up to 1,495,000 shares of common stock for sale at \$10.00 per share in connection with the conversion of Sound Community MHC from the mutual holding company to the stock holding company form of organization. The shares being offered represent the 55.0% ownership interest in Sound Financial, Inc. currently owned by Sound Community MHC. Sound Financial, Inc. s common stock is currently traded on the OTC Bulletin Board under the trading symbol SNFL. We expect that Sound Financial Bancorp s shares of common stock will trade on the Nasdaq Capital Market under the trading symbol SNFL. For additional information regarding our current and proposed organizational structure, see page 2.

We are offering the common stock for sale on a best efforts basis. The shares are first being offered in a subscription offering to current and former depositors of Sound Community Bank as of specified eligibility dates, with aggregate account balances of at least \$50, and tax-qualified employee benefit plans of Sound Community Bank as described in this prospectus. Shares not purchased in the subscription offering may simultaneously be offered to the general public in a community offering, with a preference given to residents of the communities served by Sound Community Bank and existing shareholders of Sound Financial, Inc. Existing shareholders of Sound Financial, Inc. do not have priority rights in the subscription offering, absent any status they may have as depositors. We may also offer shares of common stock not subscribed for in the subscription and community offerings in a syndicated community offering through a syndicate of selected dealers.

We must sell a minimum of 1,105,000 shares of common stock in the offering in order to complete the offering. We may sell up to 1,719,250 shares because of demand for the shares, as a result of regulatory considerations or changes in market conditions, without resoliciting purchasers. Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc. will assist us in selling the shares on a best efforts basis in the subscription and community offerings and will serve as sole book-running manager for any syndicated community offering. Neither Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc. nor any member of the syndicate group is required to purchase any shares of common stock in the offering.

In addition to the shares we are selling in the offering, the remaining 45.0% interest in Sound Financial, Inc. common stock currently held by the public will be exchanged for shares of common stock of Sound Financial Bancorp using an exchange ratio that will result in the existing public shareholders owning approximately the same percentage of Sound Financial Bancorp common stock as they owned of Sound Financial, Inc.

common stock immediately prior to the completion of the conversion. We will issue up to 1,224,086 shares of common stock in the exchange, which may be increased to up to 1,407,699 shares of common stock if we sell 1,719,250 shares of common stock in the offering.

The minimum order is 25 shares. The subscription offering will expire at noon, Pacific time, on [DATE 1], 2012. We expect that the community offering will terminate at the same time, although it may be extended without notice to you until [DATE 2], 2012, unless the Federal Reserve Board approves a later date. No single extension may exceed 90 days and the offering must be completed by [DATE 3], 2014. Once submitted, orders are irrevocable unless the offering is terminated or is extended beyond [DATE 2], 2012, or the number of shares of common stock to be sold is increased to more than 1,719,250 shares or decreased to less than 1,105,000 shares. Funds received prior to the completion of the subscription and community offering will be held in a segregated account at Sound Community Bank and will earn interest at Sound Community Bank s regular savings rate, which is currently __%. If the subscription and community offerings are terminated, purchasers will have their funds returned promptly, with interest. If the offering is extended beyond [DATE 2], 2012, we will resolicit purchasers,

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and you will have the opportunity to maintain, change or cancel your order. In such event, if you do not provide us with a written indication of your intent, your order will be canceled and your funds will be returned to you, with interest. If there is a change in the offering range, we will promptly return all funds with interest, and all subscribers will be provided with updated information and given the opportunity to place a new order.

Completion of the conversion and offering is subject to several conditions, including the approval of the plan of conversion and reorganization by a vote of at least a majority of the outstanding shares of Sound Financial, Inc., excluding shares held by Sound Community MHC. See Summary Conditions to Completion of the Conversion.

OFFERING SUMMARY

Price: \$10.00 per share

	Minimum	Midpoint	Maximum	Adjusted Maximum
Number of shares	1,105,000	1,300,000	1,495,000	1,719,250
Gross offering proceeds	\$ 11,050,000	\$ 13,000,000	\$ 14,950,000	\$ 17,192,500
Estimated offering expenses, excluding selling agent fees				
and expenses	\$ 1,006,088	\$ 1,008,680	\$ 1,006,272	\$ 1,005,253
Estimated selling agent fees and expenses(1)	\$ 408,912	\$ 466,320	\$ 523,728	\$ 589,747
Net proceeds	\$ 9,635,000	\$ 11,525,000	\$ 13,420,000	\$ 15,597,500
Net proceeds per share	\$ 8.72	\$ 8.87	\$ 8.98	\$ 9.07

⁽¹⁾ Includes (i) fees payable by us to Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc. in connection with the subscription and community offerings equal to 1.00% and 2.00% of the aggregate amount of common stock sold in the subscription and community offerings, respectively (less shares purchased by our directors, officers and employees and their immediate families and by our tax-qualified compensation plans), assuming that 40% of the shares are sold in the subscription offering and 20% of the shares are sold in the community offering, (ii) fees and selling commissions payable by us to Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc. and any other broker-dealers participating in the syndicated community offering equal to 6.00% of the aggregate amount of common stock sold in the syndicated community offering, assuming that 40% of the shares are sold in the syndicated community offering, and (iii) other expenses of the stock offering payable to Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc. estimated to be \$90,000. If all shares were sold in the syndicated community offering (excluding shares purchased by the employee stock ownership plan, directors and executive officers), the maximum commission payable to participating members would be \$597,960, \$705,600, \$813,240 and \$937,026 at the minimum, midpoint, maximum and adjusted maximum of the offering range. For additional information regarding selling agent fees and commissions, see The Conversion and Stock Offering Plan of Distribution and Marketing Arrangements.

This investment involves a degree of risk, including the possible loss of principal.

Please read Risk Factors beginning on page __.

These securities are not deposits or savings accounts and are not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency. Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, nor any state securities regulator has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is accurate or complete.

Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

KEEFE, BRUYETTE & WOODS

For assistance, please contact the Stock Information Center toll-free at (____) _____.

The date of this prospectus is _____, 2012.

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SUMMARY

The following summary explains the material aspects of the conversion, the offering and the exchange of existing shares of Sound Financial, Inc. common stock for shares of Sound Financial Bancorp, Inc. common stock. It may not contain all of the information that is important to you. Before making an investment decision you should read the remainder of this prospectus carefully, including the consolidated financial statements, the notes to the consolidated financial statements and the section entitled Risk Factors.

The Companies

Sound Financial Bancorp, Inc. Sound Financial Bancorp, Inc., referred to in this prospectus as Sound Financial Bancorp, is a newly formed Maryland corporation that was incorporated in March 2012 to be the successor corporation to Sound Financial, Inc. upon completion of the conversion. While federal regulations contemplate the use of federally chartered entities in the mutual holding company structure, fully converted public stock holding companies must be state-chartered entities. Sound Financial Bancorp will own all of the outstanding shares of common stock of Sound Community Bank upon completion of the conversion. Sound Financial Bancorp s executive offices are located at 2005 5th Avenue, Suite 200, Seattle, Washington 98121. Our telephone number at this address is (206) 448-0884.

Sound Community MHC. Sound Community MHC is the federally chartered mutual holding company of Sound Financial, Inc. Sound Community MHC s principal business activity is the ownership of 1,621,435 shares of common stock of Sound Financial, Inc., or 55.0% of the issued and outstanding shares as of the date of this prospectus. After the completion of the conversion, Sound Community MHC will cease to exist.

Sound Financial, Inc. Sound Financial, Inc. is a federally chartered stock holding company that owns all of the outstanding common stock of Sound Community Bank. At December 31, 2011, Sound Financial, Inc. had consolidated assets of \$339.7 million, deposits of \$300.0 million and stockholders equity of \$28.7 million. After the completion of the conversion, Sound Financial, Inc. will cease to exist, and will be succeeded by Sound Financial Bancorp. As of the date of this prospectus, Sound Financial, Inc. had 2,949,045 shares of common stock issued and outstanding, of which 1,621,435 shares were owned by Sound Community MHC. The remaining 1,327,610 shares of Sound Financial, Inc. common stock outstanding as of the date of this prospectus were held by the public.

Sound Community Bank. Sound Community Bank is a federally chartered stock savings bank headquartered in Seattle, Washington and the wholly-owned subsidiary of Sound Financial, Inc. Sound Community Bank was originally founded as a credit union and converted to a federal mutual (meaning no shareholders) savings bank in 2003. In 2008, Sound Community Bank converted to stock form and became the wholly-owned subsidiary of Sound Financial, Inc. as part of a mutual holding company reorganization and stock issuance.

Our Business Strategy

Our principal objective is to remain an independent, community-oriented financial institution serving customers in our primary market area. Our Board of Directors has sought to accomplish this objective through the adoption of a strategy designed to maintain profitability, a strong capital

position ai	nd high asset quality. This strategy primarily involves:
•	Focusing on asset quality;
	Improving earnings by expanding product offerings, including increasing the percentage of our assets consisting of higher-yielding all real estate and commercial business loans, which offer higher risk-adjusted returns, shorter maturities and more sensitivity to te fluctuations than one-to four- family mortgage loans while maintaining our focus on residential lending by offering additional loan
•	Emphasizing lower cost core deposits to manage the funding costs of our loan growth;

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• Improving profitability through continued expense control;
Maintaining our customer service focus; and
• Expanding our presence within our existing and nearby market areas by capturing business opportunities resulting from changes in the competitive environments.
These strategies are intended to guide our investment of the net proceeds of the offering. We intend to continue to pursue our business strategy after the conversion and the offering, subject to changes necessitated by future market conditions and other factors. See Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Business Strategy for a further discussion of our business strategy full description of our products and services begins on page of this prospectus under the heading Business of Sound Financial Inc. and Soun Community Bank.
Our Current Organizational Structure
In 2008, Sound Financial, Inc. became the mid-tier stock holding company of Sound Community Bank, owning 100% of its stock, and conducted an initial public offering by selling a minority of its common stock to the public. The majority of the outstanding shares of common stock of Sound Financial, Inc. are owned by Sound Community MHC, which is a federally chartered mutual holding company with no shareholders.
Pursuant to the terms of the Plan of Conversion and Reorganization of Sound Community MHC, which is referred to throughout this prospecture as the plan of conversion, Sound Community Bank will convert from the mutual holding company to the stock holding company corporate structure. As part of the conversion, we are offering for sale in a subscription offering, a community offering and possibly a syndicated community offering, the majority ownership interest of Sound Financial, Inc. that is currently owned by Sound Community MHC. Upon completion of the conversion, Sound Community MHC will cease to exist, and we will complete the transition from partial to full public stock ownership. In addition, as part of the conversion, existing public shareholders of Sound Financial, Inc. will receive shares of common stock of Sound Financial Bancorp in exchange for their shares of Sound Financial, Inc. common stock pursuant to an exchange ratio that maintains the same percentage ownership in Sound Financial Bancorp (excluding any new shares purchased by them in the offering and their receipt of cash lieu of fractional exchange shares) that existing shareholders had in Sound Financial, Inc. immediately prior to the completion of the conversion and offering.
The following diagram shows our current organizational structure:



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Our Organizational Structure Following the Conversion
After the conversion and offering are completed, we will be organized as a fully public stock holding company, as follows:

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Reasons f	for the	Conversion	and the	Offering
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- to support organic growth by increasing our lending in the communities we serve;
- to improve our capital position during a period of significant economic uncertainty, especially for the financial services industry (although, as of December 31, 2011, Sound Community Bank was considered well capitalized for regulatory purposes and is not subject to any directive or recommendation from the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC) or the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) to raise capital);
- to finance the possible acquisition of branches from other financial institutions or build or lease new branch facilities in, or adjacent to, our market areas, although we do not currently have any agreements or understandings regarding any specific acquisition transaction;
- to enhance existing products and services, and support the development of new products and services, by investing, for example, in technology to support growth and enhanced customer service;
- the stock holding company structure is a more familiar form of organization, which we believe will make our common stock more appealing to investors, and will give us greater flexibility to access the capital markets through possible future equity and debt offerings, although we have no current plans, agreements or understandings regarding any additional capital raising efforts; and
- to seek to improve the liquidity of our shares of common stock and shareholder returns through higher earnings and more flexible capital management strategies.

Terms of the Offering

We are offering between 1,105,000 and 1,495,000 shares of common stock to eligible depositors of Sound Community Bank, to our tax-qualified employee benefit plans, including our employee stock ownership plan and, to the extent shares remain available, to natural persons and trusts of natural persons residing in the Washington counties of Clallam, King, Pierce and Snohomish, to our existing public shareholders and to the general public. The number of shares of common stock to be sold may be increased to up to 1,719,250 as a result of regulatory considerations, demand for our shares, or changes in the market for financial institution stocks. Unless the number of shares of common stock to be offered is increased to more than 1,719,250 shares or decreased to fewer than 1,105,000 shares, or the offering is extended beyond [DATE 2], 2012, purchasers will not have the opportunity to modify or cancel their stock orders once submitted. If the number of shares of common stock

to be sold is increased to more than 1,719,250 shares or decreased to fewer than 1,105,000 shares, or if the offering is extended beyond [DATE 2], 2012, purchasers will have the opportunity to maintain, cancel or change their orders for shares of common stock during a designated resolicitation period or have their funds returned promptly with interest. If, in that event, you do not provide us with written indication of your intent, your stock order will be canceled, your funds will be returned to you with interest calculated at Sound Community Bank s regular savings rate and any deposit account withdrawal authorizations will be canceled.

The purchase price of each share of common stock to be offered for sale in the offering is \$10.00. All investors will pay the same purchase price per share. Investors will not be charged a commission to purchase shares of common stock in the offering. Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc., our marketing agent in the offering, will use its best efforts to assist us in selling shares of our common stock. Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc. is not obligated to purchase any shares of common stock in the offering.

We may also offer for sale to the general public in a syndicated offering through a syndicate of selected dealers shares of our common stock not purchased in the subscription offering or the community offering. We may begin the syndicated community offering at any time following the commencement of the subscription offering. Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc. will manage the syndicated community offering, if any, which will also be

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conducted on a best efforts basis. Neither Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc., nor any other member of the syndicate, is required to purchase any shares in the syndicated community offering.

How We Determined the Offering Range, the Exchange Ratio and the \$10.00 Per Share Stock Price

The offering range and exchange ratio are based on an independent appraisal of the estimated market value of Sound Financial Bancorp assuming the conversion, the exchange and the offering are completed. RP Financial, LC., an appraisal firm experienced in appraisals of financial institutions, has estimated that, as of March 9, 2012, this estimated pro forma market value ranged from \$20.1 million to a maximum of \$27.2 million, with a midpoint of \$23.6 million. Based on this valuation, the 55.0% ownership interest of Sound Community MHC being sold in the offering and the \$10.00 per share price, the number of shares of common stock being offered for sale by Sound Financial Bancorp will range from 1,105,000 shares to 1,495,000 shares. The \$10.00 per share price was selected primarily because it is the price most commonly used in mutual-to-stock conversions of financial institutions. The exchange ratio will range from 0.68150 shares at the minimum of the offering range to 0.92202 shares at the maximum of the offering range in order to approximately preserve the existing percentage ownership of public shareholders of Sound Financial Bancorp (excluding any new shares purchased by them in the offering and their receipt of cash in lieu of fractional exchange shares). If the demand for shares or market conditions warrant, the appraisal can be increased by 15%. At this adjusted maximum of the offering range, the estimated pro forma market value is \$31.3 million, the number of shares of common stock offered for sale will be 1,719,250 and the exchange ratio will be 1.06033 shares.

The independent appraisal is based primarily on Sound Financial, Inc. s financial condition and results of operations, the pro forma impact of the additional capital raised by the sale of shares of common stock in the offering, and an analysis of a peer group of 10 publicly traded savings bank and thrift holding companies that RP Financial considered comparable to Sound Financial Bancorp.

The appraisal peer group consists of the following companies. Total assets are as of December 31, 2011, unless otherwise indicated.

Total Assets
Company Name and Ticker Symbol
Athens Bancshares Corporation (AFCB)

NASDAQ
Athens, TN

Total Assets
(in millions)
Athens, TN