

American Realty Capital Trust, Inc.  
Form 8-K  
July 18, 2011

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

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FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT  
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported):  
July 18, 2011

American Realty Capital Trust, Inc.  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Maryland  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

333-145949  
(Commission File Number)

71-1036989  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

106 Old York Road  
Jenkintown, PA  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

19046  
(Zip Code)

(215) 887-2189 (Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On July 18, 2011, American Realty Capital Trust, Inc. (the “Company”) issued a press release announcing the closure of the fund following successful achievement of its target equity raise of \$1.5 billion.

A copy of the press release, which is hereby incorporated into this filing in its entirety, is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 American Realty Capital Trust, Inc. Press Release, dated July 18, 2011.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

AMERICAN REALTY CAPITAL TRUST, INC.

Date: July 18, 2011

By: /s/ Nicholas S. Schorsch  
Name: Nicholas S. Schorsch  
Title: Chief Executive Officer and  
Chairman of the Board of  
Directors