

BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP INC  
Form 8-K  
February 01, 2012

UNITED STATES

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

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): January 31, 2012

BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware	0-51584	04-3510455
(State or Other Jurisdiction	(Commission File No.)	(I.R.S. Employer
of Incorporation)		Identification No.)

24 North Street, Pittsfield, Massachusetts	01201
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)	(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (413) 443-5601

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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):

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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 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On January 31, 2012, Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. (“BHLB”), the holding company for Berkshire Bank, announced its financial results for the period ended December 31, 2011. The news release containing the financial result is included as Exhibit 99.1 and shall not be deemed “filed” for any purpose.

**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

On January 31, 2012, BHLB announced a cash dividend of \$0.17 per share to stockholders of record as of the close of business on February 16, 2012, payable on March 1, 2012.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 News Release dated January 31, 2012

**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.

**Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc.**

DATE: February 1, 2012 By: /s/ Kevin P. Riley  
Kevin P. Riley  
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer