ARBOR REALTY TRUST INC Form 8-K December 20, 2011

## **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):

December 20, 2011 (December 20, 2011)

# Arbor Realty Trust, Inc.

(EXACT NAME OF REGISTRANT AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CHARTER)

### MARYLAND

(STATE OF INCORPORATION)

001-32136 (COMMISSION FILE NUMBER) 20-0057959 (IRS EMPLOYER ID. NUMBER)

333 Earle Ovington Boulevard, Suite 900 Uniondale, New York (ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES)

11553 (ZIP CODE)

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(REGISTRANT S TELEPHONE NUMBER, INCLUDING AREA CODE)

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#### Item 8.01 Other Events

On December 20, 2011, Arbor Realty Trust, Inc. issued a press release announcing a share repurchase plan, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

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#### SIGNATURE

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.

#### ARBOR REALTY TRUST, INC.

By: Name: Title: /S/ Paul Elenio Paul Elenio Chief Financial Officer

Date: December 20, 2011

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