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Dynasty’s Rolodex Delivers \$1.35 Million to George P. Bush

George P. Bush tapped the family dynasty’s rolodexes to raise \$1.35 million in the last two months of 2012. Bush raised 65 percent of his haul in Texas, where his uncle was governor, and another 25 percent in Florida, which his father governed. At least 13 members of the greater Bush-Walker-Pierce family contributed \$113,000 for this Bush’s bid for an unspecified Texas office.

Top George P. Bush States

State	Amount	Percent
TX	\$882,284	65%
FL	\$344,125	25%
NY	\$39,795	3%
DC	\$30,725	2%
VA	\$26,500	2%
NC	\$3,575	<1%

George P. Bush raised more money in Houston, where grandfather George H.W. Bush recently was released from the hospital, than any other city. Nineteen percent of his money came from his hometown of Fort Worth or from neighboring Dallas. Another 10 percent of his funds came from Midland, where his grandfather started out in the oil business.

Top George P. Bush Cities

City	Amount	Percent
Houston	\$158,950	12%
Dallas	\$139,950	10%
Midland	\$137,500	10%
Fort Worth	\$114,850	9%
San Antonio	\$114,610	8%
Coral Gables, FL	\$111,500	8%
The Villages, FL	\$51,100	4%
Naples, FL	\$51,000	4%
Tyler	\$50,000	4%
Abilene	\$34,750	3%

Houston homebuilder Bob Perry and his wife, Doylene, led the pack, giving Bush a combined \$65,000. Eight contributors gave \$50,000 apiece, including George W. Bush and Jeb Bush and Associates run by the candidate’s father.

Other \$50,000 donors include nuclear waste magnate Harold Simmons, oil heiress Anne Marion (whose daughter Windi Grimes tossed in another \$25,000), Tyler banker Brandon Steele, Florida investor Miguel Fernandez, Florida construction moguls Francis and Kathleen Rooney and Dallas education entrepreneur [Randy Best](#).

Top 2012 Contributors to George P. Bush

Amount	Contributor	City	Employer
\$65,000	Bob & Doylene Perry	Houston	Perry Homes
\$50,000	* Randy Best	Dallas	Academic Partnerships
\$50,000	George Bush	Midland	Self
\$50,000	Miguel Fernandez	Coral Gables, FL	MBH Health Advisors (private equity)
\$50,000	Jeb Bush & Associates	Coral Gables, FL	
\$50,000	Anne Marion	Fort Worth	Oil & Gas
\$50,000	* Francis/Kathleen Rooney	Naples, FL	Rooney Holdings (construction)
\$50,000	Harold Simmons	Dallas	Contran Corp.
\$50,000	Brandon Steele	Tyler	Steele Holdings, Inc. (banking)
\$40,000	James Henry	Midland	Henry Resources, LLC
\$26,000	Warren Tichenor	San Antonio	W.W. Tichenor & Co., Inc.
\$25,000	Syed Anwar	Midland	Midland Energy, Inc.
\$25,000	Ed Bosarge	Houston	Capital Technologies, Inc.
\$25,000	* Good Government PAC	Fort Worth	Oil-rich Bass family
\$25,000	Windi Grimes	Houston	Oil & Gas
\$25,000	* John Mack	Rye, NY	Morgan Stanley
\$25,000	* Robert Rowling	Irving	TRT Holdings
\$25,000	Clayton Williams	Mildand	Clayton Williams Energy
\$20,000	William Becker	Vero Beach, FL	Peace River Citrus Products
\$20,000	* Gary/Renee Morse	The Villages, FL	Villages of Lake Sumter, Inc.
\$15,000	Karl Stenstrom	Key Biscayne, FL	Pergo Corp. US
\$15,000	* Lionel Sosa	San Antonio	Lionel Sossa Markerting
\$10,000	Mark Brooker	Houston	Frontline Group (mgmt consulting)
\$10,000	Joseph Caruncho	Miami, FL	Preferred Care Partners
\$10,000	Fred Cunningham	Fort Worth	retired
\$10,000	Edward Easton	Miami, FL	Real estate
\$10,000	Eloy Garcia	San Antonio	Rail Link International, Inc.
\$10,000	Julia Jones Matthews	Abilene	Dodge Jones Foundation (oil)
\$10,000	* Kit Moncrief	Fort Worth	Oil & gas
\$10,000	Robert Muraro	Houston	Targa Resources
\$10,000	Nolan Perez	Harlingen	GI Consultants of So. TX
\$10,000	H. Richard Collins	Dallas	Istation Reading
\$10,000	* William Rosenthal	Fort Worth	Pensore Group, LLC
\$10,000	RL Investments	San Antonio	Rod Lewis, Oil & Gas
\$10,000	Dian Stai	Abilene	Owen Healthcare (retired)
\$10,000	Nancy Wommack	Midland	Saber Oil & Gas Ventures
\$7,500	* Alfred Hoffman	Palm Beach, FL	Watermark Communities
\$6,800	Gene Williams	San Antonio	CBRE real estate
\$6,000	Kevin Wolff Campaign	San Antonio	Bexar Co. Commissioner

*Elite bundler for George W. Bush's presidential campaigns or closely tied to one of those "Pioneers."

Note: Top contributors above gave \$936,300, or 69 percent of Bush's total.

Best, whose company recently hired former Senate Education Committee Chair Florence Shapiro, sells virtual classes to universities and colleges. Another education entrepreneur, H. Richard Collins, gave Bush \$10,000. The Texas Education Agency awarded Collins' Istation Reading a contract last year for its online

reading program. George P. Bush recently joined the board of [Uplift Foundation](#), a charter school chain in North Texas.

Bush collected 449 contributions. Yet his top 39 contributors listed above provided \$936,300, or 69 percent of all the money he raised. Ten of

these top contributors volunteered as elite “Pioneer” fundraising bundlers for one or more of George W. Bush’s presidential campaigns—or are very closely tied to a Bush bundler.

In addition to Miguel Fernandez, four other top Bush contributors boast Spanish surnames, led by San Antonio marketer Lionel Sosa. Sosa has been a Hispanic media consultant to six Republican presidential campaigns.

Other Hispanics backing Bush include Harlingen physician Nolan Perez, Miami health insurance executive Joseph Caruncho and Eloy Garcia,

who manages a customs brokerage in San Antonio. George P. Bush’s mother, Columba, was born in Mexico.

Other notables contributing to Bush’s campaign include George H.W. Bush’s White House Counsel C. Boyden Gray (\$5,000) and his Assistant Secretary of Education [Lanny Griffith](#) (\$500). Also contributing were George W. Bush’s Chief of Staff Joshua Bolten (\$2,000) and Education Secretary Margaret Spellings (\$500). Republican Super PAC lawyer Charles Spies gave \$250 and Texas House Speaker Joe Straus’ wife, Jocelyn Straus, gave \$100.

Bush Family Contributors

Amount	Contributor	City	Employer	Relation
\$50,000	Bush, George W.	Midland	Author/Speaker	Uncle
\$5,000	Bush, George H.W.	Houston	Retired	Grandfather
\$1,000	Bush, John	Coral Gables, FL	Jeb Bush & Associates	Brother
\$500	Bush, Jonathan	New Haven, CT	Webster Bank	Brother of GHW Bush
\$2,000	Bush, Jonathan	Cambridge, MA	Athena Health, Inc.	Nephew of GHW Bush
\$1,000	Bush, Marvin	Arlington, VA	Windstron Partners Group	Uncle
\$1,000	Bush, Neil	Houston	TXOil, LTD	Uncle
\$50	Bush, Pierce	Houston	Big Brothers Big Sisters	Grandson of GHW Bush
\$50,000	Jeb Bush & Assoc.	Coral Gables, FL		Father’s company
\$1,000	Pierce, James	Houston	Marsh, Inc.	Cousin of GW Bush
\$1,000	Pierce, Scott	Rye, NY	retired	Brother of Barbara Bush
\$500	Stapleton, Craig	Greenwich, CT	Businessman	Married GHW Bush cousin
\$250	Walker, George	St. Louis, MO	retired	Cousin of GHW Bush