



# TEXAS' TOP CONTRIBUTORS

## Texas' Top 124 Contributors Spent \$151 Million on 2014 State Elections

Texas' top 124 individual and institutional political contributors spent from **\$500,000 to \$7.6 million apiece** during the two-year 2014 election cycle. These top 124 contributors collectively spent \$150 million, or 52 percent of the \$290 million raised by all candidates for Texas public offices during that period.<sup>1</sup>

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### Top Texas Contributors in 2014 Cycle (Calendar years 2013 and 2014)

Rank	Amount	Contributor (Affiliation)	City
1	\$7,634,599	TX Assn. of Realtors (TREPAC)	Austin
2	\$6,170,067	Texans for Lawsuit Reform (TLR)	Austin
3	\$5,182,958	Mostyn Law Firm	Houston
4	\$4,602,393	John Steven & Amber Mostyn (Mostyn Law Firm)	Houston
5	\$4,457,022	Battleground TX	San Antonio
6	\$4,356,998	Timothy M & Terri Dunn (Crownquest/Enerquest Oil)	Midland
7	\$3,874,973	Wendy Davis Campaign	Fort Worth
8	\$2,415,257	Energy Future Holdings	Dallas
9	\$2,349,001	Planned Parenthood	Austin
10	\$2,308,832	Empower Texans (Texans for Fiscal Responsibility)	Austin
11	\$2,200,000	Carolyn J Oliver (UT Medical Branch)	Houston
12	\$2,178,971	Associated General Contractors (AGC) of TX	Austin
13	\$2,088,513	Richard W & Meg Weekley (Weekley Properties)	Houston
14	\$2,053,043	Joe Straus Campaign	San Antonio
15	\$2,010,344	TX Medical Assn.	Austin
16	\$1,972,500	Harold C Simmons (Contran Corp./Waste Control Specialists)	Dallas
17	\$1,860,200	Garrett & Cecilia G Boone (Container Store)	Dallas
18	\$1,833,681	TX Organizing Project (TOP PAC)	San Antonio
19	\$1,766,364	Lillie Robertson	Houston
20	\$1,688,000	Robert C McNair (Houston Texans/Cogen Tech.)	Houston
21	\$1,667,024	AT&T, Inc.	Austin
22	\$1,565,500	James 'Doug' Pitcock Jr. (Williams Brothers Construction)	Houston
23	\$1,530,000	Peter & Julianna Holt (Holt Co's/San Antonio Spurs)	Blanco
24	\$1,494,057	Ryan LLC (Ryan & Co)	Dallas
25	\$1,478,100	Border Health PAC	McAllen
26	\$1,449,500	Charles C Butt (HE Butt Grocery Co)	San Antonio
27	\$1,446,510	George Brint & Amanda Ryan (Ryan & Co)	Dallas
28	\$1,420,817	Service Employees International Union (SEIU)	Washington
29	\$1,393,594	Andrews Kurth	Houston
30	\$1,378,031	John L & Barbara Nau (Silver Eagle Distributors)	Houston
31	\$1,340,000	William Austin Ligon (CarMax)	Austin

32	\$1,323,700	Lee & Amy L Fikes (Bonanza Oil)	Dallas
33	\$1,319,607	Trevor D & Janice Rees-Jones (Chief Oil & Gas)	Dallas
34	\$1,280,000	H Ross Perot (Hillwood Development/Dell Perot)	Plano
35	\$1,276,809	Kenny A & Lisa C Troutt (Excel Communications)	Dallas
36	\$1,192,835	Curtis W & Joanne Mewbourne (Mewbourne Oil Co)	Tyler
37	\$1,175,053	Trammell S & Margaret Crow (Crow Holdings)	Dallas
38	\$1,159,205	Thomas Dan & Debra Friedkin (Gulf States Toyota/Friedkin Co's)	Houston
39	\$1,150,257	Holloway 'Holly' & Kathaleen Wall Frost (Texas Memory Systems)	Houston
40	\$1,100,000	Republican Governors Assn.	Washington
41	\$1,089,141	Ray L & Nancy Ann Hunt (Hunt Consolidated)	Dallas
42	\$1,048,815	United Services Automobile Assn. Group (USAA)	San Antonio
43	\$982,450	Blackridge Consulting LLP	Austin
44	\$979,305	Brandon T Steele (American State Bank; Steele Financial Corp.)	Flint
45	\$975,452	Republican Party of TX	Austin
46	\$973,080	Time Warner Cable	Austin
47	\$967,125	Jay Richard 'Richie' & Carissa Ray (Richie's Specialty Pharmacy)	Spring
48	\$954,587	TX Farm Bureau Ag Fund	Waco
49	\$954,016	Annie's List	Austin
50	\$954,000	Texans for Education Reform	Austin
51	\$952,615	Kelcy L & Amy Warren (Energy Transfer Partners)	Dallas
52	\$935,843	Hillco Partners	Austin
53	\$934,898	Syed Javaid & Vicky Anwar (Midland Energy, Inc.)	Midland
54	\$931,500	Provost Umphrey Law Firm LLP	Beaumont
55	\$920,850	Robert Drayton & Elizabeth McLane (McLane Group)	Temple
56	\$908,555	American Electric Power Co. (AEP)	Columbus
57	\$906,988	National Assn. of REALTORS	Chicago
58	\$901,650	Winstead, PC	Dallas
59	\$895,888	TX Trial Lawyers Assn. (TTLA)	Austin
60	\$886,000	Back to Basics PAC	Austin
61	\$878,571	Naomi Diana Aberly (HBK Investments)	Boston
62	\$870,790	Aimee Boone Cunningham (Center for Reproductive Rights)	Dallas
63	\$829,190	Norton Rose Fulbright (prev. Fulbright Jaworski)	Houston
64	\$822,600	William V & Sara Morgan (Kinder Morgan)	Houston
65	\$814,847	Barry G & Lana Andrews (Andrews Distributing Co.)	Dallas
66	\$800,039	Bracewell & Giuliani	Houston
67	\$788,721	TX American Federation of Teachers	Austin
68	\$756,302	Independent Insurance Agents of TX	Austin
69	\$746,625	David M Weekley (David Weekley Homes)	Houston
70	\$734,600	Marcus & Nancy Hiles (Western Rim Investments)	Coppell
71	\$720,579	TX Dental Assn.	Austin
72	\$717,261	Jeffery D & Mindy Hildebrand (Hilcorp Energy Co.)	Houston
73	\$715,073	Jeff Davis & Laura Sandefer (Sandefer Capital Partners)	Austin
74	\$711,238	Leticia Van de Putte Campaign	San Antonio
75	\$709,490	Eric Christopher Opiela (Eric Opiela PLLC/Rancho Grande Mgmt)	Karnes City
76	\$706,750	TX Apartment Assn.	Austin
77	\$706,073	Lisa A Blue Baron	Dallas
78	\$692,700	American Federation of State County & Mun'l Employees (AFSCME)	Washington
79	\$688,214	Jackson Walker	Dallas
80	\$687,356	Marguerite Steed Hoffman (Coca Cola Bottling Group)	Dallas
81	\$676,500	Good Government Fund (Bass family)	Fort Worth
82	\$676,222	Robert & Terry Rowling (TRT Holdings, Inc.)	Dallas
83	\$675,166	TX Cornerstone Credit Union League	Dallas
84	\$673,950	Woody L & Gayle Hunt (Hunt Companies)	El Paso
85	\$668,500	Al G Hill Jr. (A.G. Hill Partners)	Dallas
86	\$668,420	Mickey L & Renee Long (Westex Well Services)	Midland
87	\$665,978	Farris C & Joann Wilks (Wilks Brothers/Frac Tech Service)	Cisco

88	\$663,125	Wilbur 'Ed' Bosarge Jr. (Capital Technologies)	Houston
89	\$657,500	Chickasaw Nation	Ada
90	\$647,558	Tilman J & Paige Fertitta (Landrys Seafood/Gold Nugget Casinos)	Houston
91	\$640,500	Richard D & Nancy Kinder (Kinder Morgan Energy)	Houston
92	\$638,508	Emily's List	Washington
93	\$636,837	Carl & Jimmy Westcott (Westcott LLC)	Dallas
94	\$634,039	TX House Leadership Fund	Austin
95	\$623,217	Texans for Insurance Reform	Austin
96	\$609,707	TX Oil & Gas Assn.	Austin
97	\$609,589	T Boone Pickens (BP Capital Management/Mesa Water)	Dallas
98	\$608,627	TX & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Assn.	Fort Worth
99	\$597,595	Communication Workers of America (CWA)	Washington
100	\$597,120	Alice L Walton (Wal-Mart/Rocking W Ranch)	Bentonville
101	\$596,948	Trevor L Ahlberg (Cottonwood Financial/Cash Store)	Irving
102	\$586,195	Associated Republicans of TX	Austin
103	\$585,415	Harlan R & Katherine Crow (Crow Holdings)	Dallas
104	\$583,326	Farmers Insurance Group of Companies	Austin
105	\$572,500	Dian Owen Graves Stai (Owen Healthcare)	Abilene
106	\$568,408	North Cypress Medical Center	Cypress
107	\$566,858	Locke Lord	Dallas
108	\$561,723	TX Optometric PAC	Austin
109	\$559,839	TX Assn. of Builders HOMEPAC	Austin
110	\$559,267	Paul L Foster (Western Refining)	El Paso
111	\$537,793	Accountability First PAC	Austin
112	\$526,594	NRG Energy Inc	Princeton
113	\$526,308	Atmos Energy Corp.	Dallas
114	\$520,579	Conservative Republicans of TX	Houston
115	\$515,000	Robert L & Mary Albritton (Railroad Controls Limited)	Fort Worth
116	\$512,172	Allen Boone Humphries Robinson	Houston
117	\$512,000	Douglas L & Sarah Foshee (El Paso Corp.)	Houston
118	\$511,282	Edward P Bass (Bass Brothers Enterprises)	Fort Worth
119	\$510,500	Geoffrey Raynor (Q Funding, LP)	Fort Worth
120	\$507,000	Kyle L Stallings (Desert Royalty Co.)	Midland
121	\$506,500	Chesapeake Energy Corp.	Oklahoma City
122	\$502,939	S Reed Morian (DX Holding Co.)	Houston
123	\$500,368	John R & L Anne Weisman (Hunter Industries, Ltd.)	New Braunfels
124	\$500,000	Willie Nelson (Red Headed Stranger)	Austin
	<b>\$150,092,264</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	

<sup>1</sup> The \$150 million did not all go directly to candidates. Some of the money first passed through the accounts of one or more PACs. Contribution data is based on reports filed with the Texas Ethics Commission.