



# TEXAS' TOP CONTRIBUTORS

## Top Texas Political Contributors in 2015

Texas' top 124 individual and institutional political contributors spent from **\$125,000 to \$4.4 million apiece** during calendar 2015, the first year of the two-year 2016 election cycle. Collectively, \$47 million passed through the hands of these top donors during that year.<sup>1</sup>

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## Top Texas Contributors in Calendar 2015

Rank	Amount	Contributor (Affiliation)	City
1	\$4,447,047	TX Assn. of Realtors	Austin
2	\$3,021,398	<a href="#">National Assn. of Realtors</a> [i]	Chicago
3	\$1,616,325	Associated General Contractors of TX	Austin
4	\$1,585,000	Farris C & Joann Wilks (Wilks Brothers/Frac Tech Service)	Cisco
5	\$935,000	Peter & Julianna Holt (Holt Co's/San Antonio Spurs)	Blanco
6	\$817,988	Energy Future Holdings	Dallas
7	\$817,416	Texans for Lawsuit Reform (TLR)	Austin
8	\$811,369	TX Medical Assn.	Austin
9	\$721,552	Richard W & Meg Weekley (Weekley Properties)	Houston
10	\$678,064	AT&T, Inc.	Austin
11	\$628,700	John L & Barbara Nau III (Silver Eagle Distributors)	Houston
12	\$626,000	James 'Doug' Pitcock Jr. (Williams Brothers Construction)	Houston
13	\$608,000	Thomas Dan & Debra Friedkin (Gulf States Toyota/Friedkin Co's)	Houston
14	\$602,369	Wal-Mart Stores	Bentonville
15	\$595,500	Andrews Kurth	Houston
16	\$562,300	Empower Texans (Texans for Fiscal Responsibility)	Austin
17	\$555,000	Border Health PAC	McAllen
18	\$550,000	Robert L & Mary Albritton (Railroad Controls Limited)	Fort Worth
19	\$547,575	Jeffery D & Mindy Hildebrand (Hilcorp Energy Co.)	Houston
20	\$535,000	Robert C McNair (Houston Texans/Cogen Tech.)	Houston
21	\$531,878	Winstead, PC	Dallas
22	\$505,000	Trevor D & Janice Rees-Jones (Chief Oil & Gas)	Dallas
23	\$494,000	Charles C Butt (HE Butt Grocery)	San Antonio
24	\$479,653	Blackridge Consulting, LLP	Austin
25	\$475,000	Kelcy L & Amy Warren (Energy Transfer Partners)	Dallas
26	\$473,103	American Electric Power Co.	Columbus
27	\$467,305	Norton Rose Fulbright (prev. Fulbright Jaworski)	Houston
28	\$464,608	United Services Automobile Assn. Group (USAA)	San Antonio
29	\$457,500	Richard D & Nancy Kinder (Kinder Morgan Energy)	Houston
30	\$449,500	Robert B & Terry Rowling (TRT Holdings, Inc.)	Dallas
31	\$432,300	Robert Drayton & Elizabeth McLane Jr. (McLane Group)	Temple
32	\$411,957	TX Farm Bureau	Waco
33	\$395,524	Trammell S & Margaret Crow Jr. (Crow Holdings)	Dallas
34	\$393,000	Bracewell & Giuliani	Houston
35	\$381,638	Holloway 'Holly' & Kathaleen Wall Frost (TX Memory Systems)	Houston

36	\$365,500	Mostyn Law Firm	Houston
37	\$357,322	Woody L & Gayle Hunt (Hunt Co's)	El Paso
38	\$355,000	Alvin Henry Boenker III (Al Boenker Insurance Agency)	Fort Worth
39	\$350,100	James D & Shirley Dannenbaum (Dannenbaum Engineering)	Houston
40	\$350,000	Ray L & Nancy Ann Hunt (Hunt Consolidated, Inc.)	Dallas
41	\$319,312	TX & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Assn.	Fort Worth
42	\$318,431	George Brint & Amanda Ryan (Ryan, LLC)	Dallas
43	\$315,933	Ryan LLC (Ryan & Co)	Dallas
44	\$312,750	H Ross & Perot (Hillwood Development/Dell Perot)	Plano
45	\$310,000	S. Reed Morian (DX Holding Co.)	Houston
46	\$305,574	TX Dental Assn.	Austin
47	\$301,000	Good Government Fund (Bass brothers)	Fort Worth
48	\$300,000	Wilbur 'Ed' Bosarge Jr. (Capital Technologies)	Houston
49	\$293,713	Jackson Walker	Dallas
50	\$281,000	Al G Hill Jr. (A.G. Hill Partners)	Dallas
50	\$281,000	John Steven & Amber Mostyn (Mostyn Law Firm)	Houston
52	\$271,192	Tilman & Paige Feritta (Landry's Seafood/Golden Nugget Casinos)	Houston
53	\$271,000	Kickapoo Traditional Tribe of TX	Eagle Pass
54	\$270,000	Texans for Education Reform	Austin
55	\$267,395	John R & L Anne Weisman (Hunter Industries, Ltd)	New Braunfels
56	\$265,956	Barry G & Lana K Andrews (Andrews Distributing Co.)	Dallas
57	\$262,049	Independent Insurance Agents of TX	Austin
58	\$257,000	Mickey L & Renee Long (Westex Well Services)	Midland
59	\$256,177	TX Assn. of Builders	Austin
60	\$256,000	Lee & Amy L Fikes (Bonanza Oil, Inc.)	Dallas
60	\$256,000	Julia Jones Matthews (Dodge Jones Foundation)	Abilene
62	\$254,500	Exelon Corp.	Chicago
63	\$250,435	Atmos Energy Corp.	Dallas
64	\$250,131	TX Trial Lawyers Assn.	Austin
65	\$250,000	TX Urban Transportation Alliance	Houston
66	\$248,167	Edward P Bass (Bass Brothers Enterprises)	Fort Worth
67	\$245,995	Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson	Austin
68	\$242,240	Time Warner Cable	Austin
69	\$232,563	Independent Bankers Assn. of TX	Austin
70	\$229,050	International Brotherhood of Teamsters	Washington
71	\$227,000	Susan Combs Campaign	Austin
72	\$226,335	Allen Robert & Lisa Marie Hartman (Hartman Management)	Houston
73	\$225,200	Burlington Northern & Santa Fe Railway	Fort Worth
74	\$224,875	CenterPoint Energy, Inc.	Houston
75	\$220,565	Joe Straus Campaign	San Antonio
76	\$218,500	Michael Plank (Plank Co's)	Houston
76	\$218,500	Dian Owen Graves Stai (Owen Healthcare)	Abilene
78	\$217,500	Jeff Davis & Laura Sandefer (Sandefer Capital Partners)	Austin
79	\$216,750	Charles 'Dick' & Amelia Saulsbury Sr. (Saulsbury Industries)	Odessa
80	\$216,297	Plumbers Local Union 68	Houston
81	\$209,917	Allen Boone Humphries Robinson	Houston
82	\$206,675	Locke Lord	Dallas
83	\$205,134	Wholesale Beer Distributors of TX	Austin
84	\$202,000	TX Land Title Assn.	Austin
85	\$191,750	PSEL PAC (Bass brothers)	Fort Worth
86	\$188,000	William E & Louree Greehey (NuStar Energy)	San Antonio
87	\$183,573	Paul L Foster (Western Refining)	El Paso
88	\$183,500	TX Automobile Dealers Assn.	Austin
89	\$182,500	North Cypress Medical Center	Cypress
90	\$180,000	David M Weekley (David Weekley Homes)	Houston
91	\$175,667	Lee M & Ramona Seeligson Bass (Lee M Bass, Inc)	Fort Worth

91	\$175,667	Sid Bass (Bass Brothers Enterprises)	Fort Worth
93	\$175,000	Syed Javaid & Vicky Anwar (Midland Energy, Inc)	Midland
94	\$171,231	Hillco Partners	Austin
95	\$170,199	TX Cornerstone Credit Union League	Dallas
96	\$169,005	Russell 'Rusty' & Janet Kelley (Blackridge Consulting)	Austin
97	\$168,904	Constituent Focus PAC	Midland
98	\$165,500	H Gary & Diane Heavin (Curves International, Inc.)	Gatesville
99	\$164,878	BJ 'Red' & Charline McCombs (McCombs Enterprises)	San Antonio
100	\$162,562	Vinson & Elkins TX	Houston
101	\$162,500	Timothy Horner (Premier Manufacturing/Premier Designs)	Plano
102	\$160,500	Honeywell International	Morristown
103	\$160,000	Hushang & Shahla Ansary (Stewart & Stevenson)	Houston
104	\$159,000	Stuart West & Eliza Stedman (Stedman West Interests, Inc.)	Houston
105	\$157,000	Apartment Assn. of Greater Dallas	Dallas
106	\$153,000	Kyle L Stallings (Desert Royalty Co.)	Midland
107	\$150,000	Union Pacific Railroad	Washington
108	\$148,650	Tim M & Terri Dunn (CrownQuest/Enerquest Oil)	Midland
109	\$148,648	TX Hospital Assn.	Austin
110	\$148,500	Brad & Stephanie Tucker (Mustang Tractor & Equipment Co.)	Houston
111	\$146,500	David Mayes & Macy Middleton (Middleton Oil)	Houston
112	\$141,700	Don Dyer (Professional Janitorial Service)	Austin
113	\$140,500	Monty J & Marissa Bennett (Ashford Hospitality Trust/MJB Operating)	Dallas
114	\$140,000	AWM Management Trust	Fort Worth
115	\$137,695	Houston Police Officers Union	Houston
116	\$137,240	Beer Alliance of TX	Austin
117	\$137,094	TX Assn. for Home Care & Hospice	Austin
118	\$137,000	Ardon E Moore III (Lee M. Bass, Inc.)	Fort Worth
119	\$135,500	John B & Marsha Kleinheinz (Kleinheinz Capital Partners)	Fort Worth
120	\$135,000	Jeffrey & Barbara Feingold (MCNA Dental)	Fort Lauderdale
121	\$131,789	Sam & Lydia Susser (Susser Holdings/Stripes Convenience Stores)	Corpus Christi
122	\$127,750	K & L Gates	Dallas
123	\$127,379	Steven D & Marci Alvis (NewQuest Properties)	Houston
124	\$125,000	Anne W & John L Marion (Burnett Oil Co.)	Fort Worth
<b>\$47,317,183 TOTAL</b>			

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<sup>1</sup> The \$47 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.