



TEXAS' TOP CONTRIBUTORS

Texas' Top 185 Contributors Spent \$131 Million on 2016 State Elections

Texas' top 185 individual and institutional political contributors spent from \$250,000 to \$9 million apiece during the two-year 2016 election cycle. These top 185 contributors collectively spent \$131 million, or 67 percent of the \$195 million raised by all candidates for Texas public offices during that period.¹

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Rank	Amount	Contributor	City
1	\$9,132,640	TX Assn. of Realtors	Austin
2	\$4,145,366	National Assn. of Realtors	Chicago
3	\$3,936,560	Texans for Lawsuit Reform	Austin
4	\$3,259,734	Farris C & Jo Ann Wilks (Frac Tech Services)	Cisco
5	\$2,116,675	Associated General Contractors of TX	Austin
6	\$2,030,000	Charles C Butt (HEB Grocery)	San Antonio
7	\$2,007,834	TX Medical Assn.	Austin
8	\$1,950,972	AT&T	Austin
9	\$1,855,479	Empower Texans	Austin
10	\$1,808,624	Energy Future Holdings	Dallas
11	\$1,702,500	Robert C & Janice McNair (Houston Texans/Cogen Tech.)	Houston
12	\$1,644,991	Joe Straus Campaign	San Antonio
13	\$1,621,736	Richard (Dick) & Meg Weekley (Weekley Properties)	Houston
14	\$1,550,000	Border Health PAC	McAllen
15	\$1,456,600	George Soros (Soros Fund Management)	New York
16	\$1,325,055	John L & Barbara Nau (Silver Eagle Distributors)	Houston
17	\$1,300,517	Associated Republicans of TX	Austin
18	\$1,273,304	Blackridge Consulting	Austin
19	\$1,221,500	Mostyn Law Firm	Houston
20	\$1,219,000	James (Doug) Pitcock (Williams Bros. Construction)	Houston
21	\$1,155,524	Texans for Education Reform	Austin
22	\$1,139,931	TX Trial Lawyers Assn.	Austin
23	\$1,137,656	Holloway (Holly) & Kathaleen Frost (Texas Memory Systems)	Houston
24	\$1,136,466	United Services Automobile Assn. Group (USAA)	San Antonio
25	\$1,116,000	Andrews Kurth	Houston
26	\$1,107,127	Wal-Mart Stores	Bentonville
27	\$1,085,638	Ryan LLC (Ryan & Co)	Dallas
28	\$1,084,878	Winstead PC	Dallas
29	\$1,057,603	Thomas Dan & Debra Friedkin (Gulf States Toyota)	Houston
30	\$1,053,124	TX Farm Bureau	Waco
31	\$1,007,100	Alice L Walton (Wal-Mart)	Mineral Wells
32	\$968,500	Peter & Julianna Holt (Holt Co's/SA Spurs)	Blanco
33	\$964,810	TX Land Title Assn.	Austin
34	\$937,161	George Brint & Amanda Ryan (Ryan & Co.)	Dallas
35	\$935,750	H Ross & Sarah Perot (Perot Co & Hillwood)	Plano
36	\$915,750	Susan Combs Campaign	Austin
37	\$873,575	Jeffery D & Mindy Hildebrand (Hilcorp Energy Co.)	Houston
38	\$855,000	Wilbur (Ed) Bosarge (Capital Technologies)	Houston
39	\$853,422	TX American Federation of Teachers	Houston

40	\$846,810	TX House Leadership Fund	Austin
41	\$808,600	James Dannenbaum (Dannenbaum Engineering)	Houston
42	\$789,177	Time Warner Cable	Houston
43	\$781,555	Norton Rose Fulbright (prev. Fulbright Jaworski)	Houston
44	\$779,750	Syed Javaid & Vicky Anwar (Midland Energy)	Midland
45	\$770,050	Robert Drayton & Elizabeth McLane (McLane Group)	Temple
46	\$765,053	First Tuesday	Houston
47	\$758,500	Bracewell & Giuliani	Houston
48	\$748,438	TX Apartment Assn.	San Antonio
49	\$742,886	TX Dental Assn. (DENPAC)	Austin
50	\$736,885	Woody L & Gayle Hunt (Hunt Companies)	El Paso
51	\$733,007	American Electric Power Co. (AEP)	Columbus
52	\$727,499	Alvin Henry Boenker (Al Boenker Insurance Agency)	Weatherford
53	\$724,640	Barry & Lana Andrews (Andrews Distributing Co)	Dallas
54	\$713,288	TX & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Assn.	Fort Worth
55	\$704,115	Tilman Fertitta (Landry's Seafood/Golden Nugget Casinos)	Houston
56	\$697,184	Charles (Dick) & Amelia Saulsbury (Saulsbury Industries)	Odessa
57	\$650,243	TX State Teachers Assn.	Austin
58	\$640,562	Independent Insurance Agents of TX	Austin
59	\$640,000	Kelcy L & Amy Warren (Energy Transfer Partners)	Dallas
60	\$636,645	John R & L Anne Weisman (Hunter Industries)	Uvalde
61	\$636,500	Robert & Terry Rowling (TRT Holdings)	Irving
62	\$634,500	Richard & Nancy Kinder (Kinder Morgan Energy)	Houston
63	\$630,000	Trevor D & Janice Rees-Jones (Chief Oil & Gas)	Dallas
64	\$604,098	TX Cornerstone Credit Union League	Dallas
65	\$602,750	John Steven & Amber Mostyn (Mostyn Law Firm)	Houston
66	\$602,058	Jackson Walker	Dallas
67	\$594,342	Hillco Partners	Austin
68	\$586,618	Mickey L & Rhonda Long (Westex Well Services)	Midland
69	\$581,500	Good Government Fund	Fort Worth
70	\$581,000	Robert L & Mary Albritton (Railroad Controls Ltd.)	Benbrook
71	\$580,524	Trammell S & Margaret Crow (Crow Holdings)	Dallas
72	\$579,948	Constituent Focus PAC	Midland
73	\$579,500	Ray L & Nancy Ann Hunt (Hunt Consolidated)	Dallas
74	\$558,613	Allen Boone Humphries Robinson	Houston
75	\$558,423	Paul L Foster (Western Refining Co)	El Paso
76	\$554,150	Timothy M & Terri Dunn (CrownQuest/EnerQuest Oil & Gas)	Midland
77	\$552,722	Atmos Energy Corp.	Dallas
78	\$551,663	Conservative Republicans of TX	Houston
79	\$551,318	Plumbers Local Union 68	Houston
80	\$549,900	Kyle L Stallings (Desert Royalty Co)	Midland
81	\$548,570	Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson	Austin
82	\$546,256	David Mayes & Macy Middleton (Middleton Oil)	Houston
83	\$545,540	TX Republican Representative Campaign Committee	Austin
84	\$536,763	TX Safety & Justice	Washington
85	\$521,900	Independent Bankers Assn. of TX	Austin
86	\$515,250	TX Automobile Dealers Assn.	Austin
87	\$511,142	TX Assn. of Builders	Lubbock
88	\$510,033	Wholesale Beer Distributors of TX	Austin
89	\$509,500	Exelon Corp.	Chicago
90	\$509,050	Burlington Northern & Santa Fe Railway	Fort Worth
91	\$508,500	Al G Hill (AG Hill Partners)	Dallas
92	\$502,273	CenterPoint Energy Inc	Houston
93	\$498,500	K Alan & Cherie Hassenflu (Fidelis Realty Partners)	Houston
93	\$498,500	Mednax, Inc	Sunrise FL
95	\$493,330	Edward P Bass (Bass Brothers Enterprises)	Fort Worth
96	\$489,278	Assn. of TX Professional Educators	Austin
97	\$479,000	Chickasaw Nation	Ada OK
98	\$477,000	Kickapoo Traditional Tribe of TX	Eagle Pass
99	\$470,250	Lee & Amy L Fikes (Bonanza Oil Co)	Dallas
100	\$464,106	Locke Lord LLP	Houston
101	\$460,655	TX Optometric Assn.	Austin
102	\$458,087	TX Hospital Assn.	Austin

103	\$454,500	Oncor Electric Delivery Co	Dallas
104	\$454,100	Communication Workers of America	Washington
105	\$453,000	Trevor L Ahlberg (Cottonwood Financial/Cash Store)	Irving
106	\$448,737	Republican Party of TX	Austin
107	\$435,497	Lee M & Ramona Bass (Lee M Bass Inc)	Fort Worth
108	\$423,000	John B & Marsha Kleinheinz (Kleinheinz Capital Partners)	Fort Worth
109	\$419,838	TX Home School Coalition	Lubbock
110	\$408,101	Annie's List	Austin
111	\$402,750	Jeff Davis & Laura Sandefer (Sandefer Capital Partners)	Austin
112	\$398,996	Sid Bass (Bass Brothers Enterprises)	Fort Worth
113	\$395,000	Union Pacific Railroad	Washington
114	\$394,550	American Federation of State Co. & Mun'l Employees	Washington
115	\$392,372	MJB Operating LP	Dallas
116	\$387,700	Kenny Troutt (Mt. Vernon Invest./Excel Communications)	Dallas
117	\$380,000	S Reed Morian (DX Holding Co/DX Service Co)	Houston
118	\$379,227	Focused Advocacy	Austin
119	\$373,150	Honeywell International	Washington
120	\$367,500	Geoffrey P Raynor (Q Investments)	Fort Worth
121	\$366,993	Chesapeake Energy Corp.	OK City
122	\$366,154	Anthony (Tony) & Connie Ewing (Advanced Fixtures)	Frisco
123	\$365,000	Darwin A & Katerina Deason (Deason Capital Service)	Dallas
124	\$361,850	International Brotherhood of Teamsters	Washington
125	\$361,000	William E & Louree Greehey (NuStar Energy)	San Antonio
126	\$360,500	Michael J & Susan Plank (Plank Companies)	Houston
127	\$359,875	Stuart West & Eliza Stedman (Stedman West Interests)	Houston
128	\$358,188	TX Assn. for Home Care & Hospice	Austin
129	\$357,555	Stacy A Hock (Texas Public Policy Foundation)	Austin
130	\$356,750	PSEL PAC	Fort Worth
131	\$351,500	Timothy Horner (Premier Manufacturing/Premier Designs)	Plano
132	\$351,395	Donald R McGill (Don McGill Auto Group)	Houston
133	\$350,500	Q Investments/Q PAC	Fort Worth
134	\$349,054	Beer Alliance of TX	Austin
135	\$346,660	Allen Robert & Lisa Marie Hartman (Hartman Management)	Houston
136	\$346,644	K & L Gates	Dallas
137	\$342,965	TX Deer Assn. Inc	San Antonio
138	\$342,250	James C & Cherie H Flores (Sable Minerals)	Houston
139	\$340,000	David M Weekley (David Weekley Homes)	Houston
140	\$334,772	Comcast Corp & NBC Universal	Philadelphia
141	\$333,125	US Anesthesia Partners of TX	Houston
142	\$321,850	Brookshire Grocery Co	Tyler
143	\$319,047	TX Construction Assn.	Austin
144	\$316,000	Brad & Stephanie Tucker (Mustang Tractor & Equipment)	Houston
145	\$315,675	Steven D & Marci Alvis (NewQuest Properties)	Houston
146	\$314,200	Julia Jones (Judy) Matthews (Dodge Jones Foundation)	Abilene
147	\$314,000	Safe Environmentally Responsible Transportation PAC	Fort Worth
148	\$313,500	Monty J Bennett (Ashford Hospitality/MJB Operating)	Dallas
149	\$310,750	Dian Owen Graves Stai (Owen Healthcare)	Abilene
150	\$309,732	Vinson & Elkins TX	Houston
151	\$307,500	Gallagher Law Firm	Houston
152	\$306,750	TX Society of Certified Public Accountants	Dallas
153	\$305,769	Houston Professional Firefighters Assn.	Houston
154	\$303,046	Dallas Police Officers Assn.	Dallas
155	\$300,000	Hushang & Shahla Ansary (Stewart & Stevenson)	Houston
155	\$300,000	Chevron USA	Austin
157	\$295,000	Friends of the University	Austin
158	\$293,935	Ruben S & Sue Martin (Martin Resource Management)	Kilgore
159	\$290,000	AWM Management Trust	Fort Worth
160	\$286,346	TX State Farm Agents	Austin
161	\$286,200	Robert (Bobby) & Sherri Patton	Fort Worth
162	\$285,000	George & Kathy Perry Britton (Union Planters Bank/Perry Homes)	Houston
163	\$285,000	Ralph & Linda Schmidt (Western Refining)	Schulenburg
164	\$277,887	University of Houston	Houston
165	\$277,500	Christopher & Andrea Tirey (Westtex WLP Well Service)	Midland

166	\$273,072	Serena Simmons & Thomas Connelly (Contran Corp)	Farmers Br.
167	\$272,500	Rex & Debra Gore (Professional Janitorial Service/CleanScapes)	Austin
168	\$268,120	Nelson James Roach (Nix Patterson & Roach)	Daingerfield
169	\$267,640	Sam & Lydia Susser (Susser Holdings/Stripes Convenience Stores)	Corpus Christi
170	\$267,500	TX Consumer Finance Assn.	Austin
171	\$264,300	National Cutting Horse Assn. TX Events PAC	Fort Worth
172	\$263,303	TX Bankers Assn.	Austin
173	\$259,253	B J (Red) & Charline H McCombs (McCombs Enterprises)	San Antonio
174	\$259,060	TX Mortgage Bankers Assn.	Austin
175	\$259,000	Meredith J & Cornelia Long (Meredith J Long Galleries)	Houston
176	\$258,250	Raytheon Co. PAC	Garland
177	\$255,279	TX Consumer Lenders	Arlington
178	\$254,572	Russell (Rusty) & Janet Kelley (Blackridge Consulting)	Austin
179	\$254,378	Planned Parenthood	New York
180	\$252,222	Ardon E Moore (Lee M. Bass, Inc.)	Fort Worth
181	\$252,000	Koch Industries	Washington
182	\$251,812	Valero Energy Corp.	San Antonio
183	\$250,635	Farmers Insurance Group	Austin
184	\$250,000	Richard M (Dick) DeVos (Alticor, Inc.)	Grand Rapids
184	\$250,000	TX Urban Transportation Alliance	Houston
	\$131,250,928	TOTAL	

Note:

ⁱ This \$131 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.