

Campaign Contribution Limits 2017-2018 Election Cycle

Effective January 1, 2017¹

	Recipient				
	Statewide Candidate ²	Legislative Candidate ³	Local Candidate ⁴	PAC ⁵	Political Party ⁶
Individual	\$5,100 ⁷	\$5,100 ⁸	\$6,350 ⁹	Unlimited ¹⁰	Unlimited ¹¹
Partnership	\$5,100 ¹²	\$5,100 ¹³	\$6,350 ¹⁴	Unlimited ¹⁵	Unlimited ¹⁶
Candidate Committee	Generally prohibited (except donation of surplus funds) ¹⁷	Generally prohibited (except donation of surplus funds) ¹⁸	Generally prohibited (except donation of surplus funds) ¹⁹	Unlimited ²⁰	Unlimited ²¹
PAC without Mega PAC status (using non-corporate/ non-union funds)²²	\$5,100 ²³	\$5,100 ²⁴	\$6,350 ²⁵	Unlimited ²⁶	Unlimited ²⁷
PAC with Mega PAC status (using non-corporate/ non-union funds)²⁸	\$10,200 ²⁹	\$10,200 ³⁰	\$12,700 ³¹	Unlimited ³²	Unlimited ³³
Political Party (using non-corporate/non-union funds)³⁴	\$80,100 (to a party nominee only) ³⁵	\$8,100 (to a party nominee only) ³⁶	\$10,100 (to a party nominee only) ³⁷	Unlimited ³⁸	Unlimited ³⁹
Corporation	Prohibited ⁴⁰	Prohibited ⁴¹	Prohibited ⁴²	Unlimited ⁴³	Unlimited ⁴⁴
Limited Liability Company	Prohibited ⁴⁵	Prohibited ⁴⁶	Prohibited ⁴⁷	Unlimited ⁴⁸	Unlimited ⁴⁹
Trust, Joint Venture, Cooperative, or Other Unincorporated Organization or Association	Prohibited ⁵⁰	Prohibited ⁵¹	Prohibited ⁵²	Unlimited ⁵³	Unlimited ⁵⁴
Union	Prohibited ⁵⁵	Prohibited ⁵⁶	Prohibited ⁵⁷	Unlimited ⁵⁸	Unlimited ⁵⁹

¹ In January of each odd-numbered year, the Secretary of State is required to increase the contribution limits specified in Title 16, Chapter 6, Article 1.2 by \$100. A.R.S. § 16-931(A)(2). The Arizona Citizens Clean Elections Commission published a regulation in the Arizona Administrative Code, R2-20-111(F), that purports to limit the biennial contribution limit increase to \$80 in lieu of \$100. However, the Commission's regulation is contrary to A.R.S. § 16-941(B) and therefore unenforceable against privately-funded candidates.

² A statewide candidate is a candidate for the office of Governor, Secretary of State, State Treasurer, Attorney General, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Corporation Commissioner or Mine Inspector. A.R.S. § 16-901(49).

³ A legislative candidate is a candidate for the office of Representative in the State House of Representatives or Senator in the State Senate. A.R.S. § 16-901(36).

⁴ A local candidate is a candidate for county, city, town, or district office.

⁵ A "PAC" or "political action committee" is an entity or group that is required to register as a political action committee because it (1) is organized for the primary purpose of influencing the result of an election; and (2) knowingly received contributions or made expenditures (in any combination) of at least \$1,000 in connection with any election during a calendar year. A.R.S. §§ 16-901(41); 16-905(B).

⁶ A "political party" is an officially recognized political party at the state, legislative district, county, city or town level that has qualified as a political party pursuant to Title 16, Chapter 5. A.R.S. § 16-901(42); *see also* A.R.S. §§ 16-801 to 16-828.

⁷ A.R.S. § 16-912(A)(3). Base contribution limits are reduced by 20% pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-941(B), but increased by \$100 pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-931(A)(2).

⁸ A.R.S. § 16-912(A)(2). Base contribution limits are reduced by 20% pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-941(B), but increased by \$100 pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-931(A)(2).

⁹ A.R.S. § 16-912(A)(1). Base contribution limits are increased by \$100 pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-931(A)(2).

¹⁰ A.R.S. § 16-912(B).

¹¹ A.R.S. § 16-912(B).

¹² A.R.S. § 16-917(A)(3). Base contribution limits are reduced by 20% pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-941(B), but increased by \$100 pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-931(A)(2).

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- ¹⁴ A.R.S. § 16-917(A)(1). Base contribution limits are increased by \$100 pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-931(A)(2).
- ¹⁵ A.R.S. § 16-917(B).
- ¹⁶ A.R.S. § 16-917(B).
- ¹⁷ A.R.S. § 16-913(A); *see also* A.R.S. § 16-933(A)(3).
- ¹⁸ A.R.S. § 16-913(A); *see also* A.R.S. § 16-933(A)(3).
- ¹⁹ A.R.S. § 16-913(A); *see also* A.R.S. § 16-933(A)(3).
- ²⁰ A.R.S. § 16-913(E).
- ²¹ A.R.S. § 16-913(E).
- ²² A “PAC” or “political action committee” is an entity or group that is required to register as a political action committee because it (1) is organized for the primary purpose of influencing the result of an election; and (2) knowingly received contributions or made expenditures (in any combination) of at least \$1,000 in connection with any election during a calendar year. A.R.S. §§ 16-901(41); 16-905(B). A PAC without “Mega PAC” status is permitted to contribute at the same levels as an individual. A.R.S. § 16-914(A); *see also* A.R.S. §§ 16-901(37) and 16-908 (defining conditions to achieve Mega PAC status).
- ²³ A.R.S. § 16-914(A)(3). Base contribution limits are reduced by 20% pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-941(B), but increased by \$100 pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-931(A)(2).
- ²⁴ A.R.S. § 16-914(A)(2). Base contribution limits are reduced by 20% pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-941(B), but increased by \$100 pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-931(A)(2).
- ²⁵ A.R.S. § 16-914(A)(1). Base contribution limits are increased by \$100 pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-931(A)(2).
- ²⁶ A.R.S. § 16-914(D).
- ²⁷ A.R.S. § 16-914(D).
- ²⁸ A “PAC” or “political action committee” is an entity or group that is required to register as a political action committee because it (1) is organized for the primary purpose of influencing the result of an election; and (2) knowingly received contributions or made expenditures (in any combination) of at least \$1,000 in connection with any election during a calendar year. A.R.S. §§ 16-901(41); 16-905(B). A PAC with “Mega PAC” status is permitted to contribute at twice levels as an individual or regular PAC. A.R.S. § 16-914(B). “Mega PAC” status means official recognition that a PAC has received contributions from five hundred or more individuals in amounts of ten dollars or more in the four-year period immediately before application to the Secretary of State. A.R.S. §§ 16-901(37) and 16-908.
- ²⁹ A.R.S. § 16-914(B).
- ³⁰ A.R.S. § 16-914(B).
- ³¹ A.R.S. § 16-914(B).
- ³² A.R.S. § 16-914(D).
- ³³ A.R.S. § 16-914(D).
- ³⁴ A “political party” is an officially recognized political party at the state, legislative district, county, city or town level that has qualified as a political party pursuant to Title 16, Chapter 5. A.R.S. § 16-901(42); *see also* A.R.S. §§ 16-801 to 16-828.
- ³⁵ A.R.S. § 16-915(A)(3). Base contribution limits are reduced by 20% pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-941(B), but increased by \$100 pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-931(A)(2).
- ³⁶ A.R.S. § 16-915(A)(2). Base contribution limits are reduced by 20% pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-941(B), but increased by \$100 pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-931(A)(2).
- ³⁷ A.R.S. § 16-915(A)(1). Base contribution limits are increased by \$100 pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-931(A)(2).
- ³⁸ A.R.S. § 16-915(D).
- ³⁹ A.R.S. § 16-915(D).
- ⁴⁰ A.R.S. § 16-916(A).
- ⁴¹ A.R.S. § 16-916(A).
- ⁴² A.R.S. § 16-916(A).
- ⁴³ A.R.S. § 16-916(B).
- ⁴⁴ A.R.S. § 16-916(B).
- ⁴⁵ A.R.S. § 16-916(A).
- ⁴⁶ A.R.S. § 16-916(A).
- ⁴⁷ A.R.S. § 16-916(A).
- ⁴⁸ A.R.S. § 16-916(B).
- ⁴⁹ A.R.S. § 16-916(B).
- ⁵⁰ A.R.S. § 16-913(D).
- ⁵¹ A.R.S. § 16-913(D).
- ⁵² A.R.S. § 16-913(D).
- ⁵³ A.R.S. § 16-911(A).
- ⁵⁴ A.R.S. § 16-911(A).
- ⁵⁵ A.R.S. § 16-916(A).
- ⁵⁶ A.R.S. § 16-916(A).
- ⁵⁷ A.R.S. § 16-916(A).
- ⁵⁸ A.R.S. § 16-916(B).
- ⁵⁹ A.R.S. § 16-916(B).