

**Fair Political Practices Commission
2015 Filing Schedule for
State Major Donor Committees
State Independent Expenditure Committees**

Deadline	Period	Form	Notes
Within 10 Days <i>Independent Expenditure Verification Report</i>	Ongoing	462	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Committees making independent expenditures (“IEs”) must file this form with the FPPC. ▪ Committees only file one Form 462 for each candidate or measure supported or opposed by an independent expenditure. ▪ Email only - no paper copy.
Feb 2, 2015 <i>Semi-Annual</i>	thru – 12/31/14	461	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ If no contributions or independent expenditures were made after June 30, 2014, this statement is not required. ▪ The January 31 deadline falls on a Saturday, so the deadline is extended to the next business day.
Apr 30, 2015 <i>Odd Year</i>	1/1/15 – 3/31/15	461	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ File if contributions totaling \$10,000 or more are made to committees controlled by an elected state officer or committees primarily formed for an elected state officer. ▪ Note: If the committee will not make contributions or independent expenditures after March 31, 2015, the committee may list the period covered as 1/1/15– 6/30/15 on the Form 461. As long as no additional contributions or independent expenditures are made, no further reports are required. A single contribution or independent expenditure will require additional reports as indicated below.
Jul 31, 2015 <i>Semi-Annual</i>	1/1/15 – 6/30/15	461	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Period covered is 4/1/15 – 6/30/15 if an odd year report was filed. ▪ If a contribution or independent expenditure is not made after June 30, additional statements are not required.
Nov 2, 2015 <i>Odd Year</i>	7/1/15 – 9/30/15	461	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ File if contributions totaling \$10,000 or more are made to committees controlled by an elected state officer or committees primarily formed for an elected state officer. ▪ Note: If the committee will not make contributions or independent expenditures after September 30, 2015, the committee may list the period covered as 7/1/15– 12/31/15 on the Form 461. As long as no additional contributions or independent expenditures are made, no further reports are required. A single contribution or independent expenditure will require the report below. ▪ The October 31 deadline falls on a Saturday, so the deadline is extended to the next business day.
Feb 1, 2016 <i>Semi-Annual</i>	7/1/15 – 12/31/15	461	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Period covered is 10/1/15 – 12/31/15 if an odd year report was filed. ▪ This statement is not required if all contributions and independent expenditures have been disclosed on a Form 461 covering the period through June 30. ▪ The January 31 deadline falls on a Sunday, so the deadline is extended to the next business day.

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State Special Elections

- See filing schedule for each special state election.
 - Committees may need to file reports even if the committee is not active in the special election. For example, a contribution to a political party may trigger Form 497 within 24 hours.
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- **E-File:** A state committee that has received contributions or made expenditures totaling \$25,000.
 - **Form 461:** All state committees, including e-filers, must file an original and one copy in paper format by personal delivery or first class mail. **Period Covered:** The period covered by any statement begins on the day after the closing date of the last statement filed, or January 1 if no previous statement has been filed.
 - **Filing Deadlines:** Deadlines are extended when they fall on a Saturday, Sunday, or an official state holiday. A \$10 per day late fine may be assessed on both paper and electronic reports resulting in a \$20 per day fine.
 - **Expenditures for Local Elections:** 24-hour independent expenditure or contribution reports (Forms 496 or 497) must be filed if independent expenditures or contributions totaling \$1,000 or more are made during the 90-day period prior to an election. Independent expenditures of \$1,000 or more also require the filing of Form 462 or Form 465. Consult the filing schedule for the election.
 - **Contribution Limits:** Contributions to state candidates and to committees that make contributions to state candidates are subject to contribution limits. Refer to the [contribution limits chart](#) on the FPPC website. Committees making “issue ads” featuring state candidates are also subject to contribution limits. Campaign finance ordinances for cities and counties are posted on the FPPC’s website on the [Local Campaign Ordinances](#) page. Contact local jurisdictions for information on local restrictions, if any.
 - **Public Documents:** All statements are public documents. Campaign manuals and instructional materials are available at www.fppc.ca.gov, click on the [Campaign](#) link.
 - **Multi-Purpose Organizations (including non-profits):** Effective July 1, 2014, multi-purpose organizations making political contributions or expenditures are subject to new campaign disclosure rules. In general, an organization that uses its general dues account to make contributions or expenditures may qualify as a major donor or independent expenditure committee and report payments on Campaign Form 461. Such organizations qualify as a recipient committee if expenditures exceed \$50,000 in a calendar year or \$100,000 in four years. Organizations qualifying as a recipient committee may need to file reports disclosing contributors. Some organizations will not need to file the year-end semi-annual report. See the [Campaign Reporting Rules for Multipurpose Organizations](#) fact sheet for complete instructions.