

**Fair Political Practices Commission
2017 Filing Schedule for
State General Purpose Recipient Committees
(Excluding Political Party Committees)**

Deadline	Period	Form	Notes
Within 10 Business Days of the Expenditure <i>\$5,000 Ballot Measure Reports</i>	Ongoing	496 497	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ E-Filers only: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 496: Report each independent expenditure totaling \$5,000 or more to support or oppose the qualification or passage of a single state ballot measure. ○ 497: Report each contribution totaling \$5,000 or more to support or oppose the qualification or passage of a single state ballot measure. ○ List all new contributions of \$100 or more received by the committee that have not been previously reported up through the date of the \$5,000 or more payment.
Jan 31, 2017 <i>Semi-Annual</i>	* – 12/31/16	450 or 460	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All committees must file Form 450 or Form 460.
May 1, 2017 <i>Odd Year</i>	1/1/17 – 3/31/17	450 or 460	<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. ▪ The April 30 deadline falls on a Sunday, so the deadline is extended to the next business day.
Jul 31, 2017 <i>Semi-Annual</i>	1/1/17 – 6/30/17	450 or 460	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All committees must file Form 450 or Form 460. ▪ Period covered is 4/1/17 – 6/30/17 if an odd year report was filed.
Oct 31, 2017 <i>Odd Year</i>	7/1/17 – 9/30/17	450 or 460	<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.
Jan 31, 2018 <i>Semi-Annual</i>	7/1/17 – 12/31/17	450 or 460	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All committees must file Form 450 or Form 460. ▪ Period covered is 10/1/17 – 12/31/17 if an odd year report was filed.

Additional Notes:

- ***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.
- **E-Filer:** A state committee that has received contributions or made expenditures totaling \$25,000 or more.
- **Forms 450 and 460:** All state committees, including e-filers, must file an original and one copy in paper format with the Secretary of State by personal delivery or first class mail.
- **Deadline Extensions:** Deadlines are extended when they fall on a Saturday, Sunday, or an official state holiday.

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- **Penalties:** Failure to file a statement on time may subject a committee to a fine of \$10 per day on both the paper and e-filed version, resulting in \$20 per day for a late e-filed statement. Failure to file a statement could result in an enforcement penalty of up to \$5,000 per violation.
- **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 or on the date of the election. Independent expenditures of \$1,000 or more also require the filing of Form 462. Contact local jurisdictions for information on local restrictions (e.g., contribution limits), if any.
- **State Special Elections:** If a state special election is held in 2017, a filing schedule for that election will be posted on the FPPC website. Additional statements may be required.
- **State 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.
- **Public Documents:** All statements are public documents. Campaign manuals and instructional materials are available at www.fppc.ca.gov. Click on Learn, then Campaign Rules.
- **Multi-Purpose Organizations (including non-profits):** A multi-purpose organization that uses its general dues account to make contributions or expenditures may qualify as a major donor or independent expenditure committee and may be required to report payments on Campaign Form 461. Such an organization will qualify as a recipient committee if expenditures exceed \$50,000 in a 12-month period or \$100,000 in four consecutive calendar years. An organization that qualifies as a recipient committee may need to file reports disclosing contributors. See the [Campaign Reporting Rules for Multipurpose Organizations](#) fact sheet for complete instructions.