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PRESS ADVISORY

The New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission (ELEC) has approved \$1.1 million in public matching funds for the 2017 gubernatorial primary campaigns of three candidates.

ELEC has certified \$295,110 for the Republican primary campaign of Lieutenant Governor Kimberly Guadagno. So far, she has received \$1,125,928 in public funds through the state's Gubernatorial Public Financing Program.

ELEC also approved \$183,554 in public funds for the Democratic primary campaign of Jim Johnson. His cumulative receipts total \$1,059,028.

ELEC also approved \$663,010 in public funds for the Democratic primary campaign of Assemblyman John Wisniewski. It is the first time he has received public funds.

Under the program, which began in 1974, candidates who raise \$430,000 or more can qualify for public matching funds. Primary candidates are eligible for up to \$4 million in public funds. In exchange, other than a few exceptions, they must limit their total primary spending to \$6.4 million.

2017 Gubernatorial Finance Limits/Thresholds

Limit/Threshold	Amount
Contribution Limit	\$ 4,300
Qualification Threshold	\$ 430,000
Amount Not Matched	\$ 138,000
Primary Public Fund Cap	\$ 4,000,000
Primary Expenditure Limit	\$ 6,400,000
General Public Fund Cap	\$ 9,300,000
General Expenditure Limit	\$13,800,000

For more details about the program, go to: http://www.elec.state.nj.us/publicinformation/gub_man.htm.

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