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PRESS ADVISORY

The New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission (ELEC) has approved \$365,012 in public matching funds for the 2017 gubernatorial primary campaigns of four candidates.

Gubernatorial Frinary Candidates			
Candidate	Disbursements		Party
	Current	Cumulative	
Ciattarelli, Jack	\$ 47,458	\$ 740,046	Republican
Guadagno, Kimberly	\$121,116	\$1,347,304	Republican
Johnson, James	\$130,482	\$1,411,178	Democrat
Wisniewski, John	\$ 65,956	\$ 817,443	Democrat
Totals	\$365,012	\$4,315,971	

Disbursements of Public Funds to 2017 Gubernatorial Primary Candidates

Under the Gubernatorial Public Financing 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: <u>http://www.elec.state.nj.us/publicinformation/gub_man.htm</u>.