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## PRESS ADVISORY

The New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission (ELEC) has approved \$292,916 in public matching funds for the 2017 gubernatorial primary campaigns of four candidates.

Disbursements of Public Funds to 2017 Gubernatorial Primary Candidates

Candidate	Disbursements		Party
	Current	Cumulative	
Ciattarelli, Jack	\$ 69,650	\$ 996,258	Republican
Guadagno, Kimberly	None	\$1,914,663	Republican
Johnson, James	\$128,648	\$1,794,848	Democrat
Wisniewski, John	\$ 94,618	\$1,156,688	Democrat
Totals	\$292,916	\$5,862,457	

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: http://www.elec.state.nj.us/publicinformation/gub\_man.htm.