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PRESS ADVISORY

The New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission (ELEC) has approved \$2,132,416 in public matching funds for the two major party candidates in the 2021 gubernatorial general election.

A total of \$11.1 million has been distributed to the two candidates since the general election began. That is just over half of the \$21 million in public funds available for the election.

Disbursements of Public Funds to 2021 Gubernatorial General Election Candidates

Candidate	Disbursements		Percent Of Available Funds	Party
	Today	Cumulative		
Ciattarelli, Jack	\$1,299,446	\$ 4,321,319	41 %	Republican
Murphy, Phil	\$ 832,970	\$ 6,746,626	64 %	Democrat
Totals	\$2,132,416	\$11,067,945	53 %	

Under the Gubernatorial Public Financing program, which began in 1974, candidates who raise \$490,000 or more can qualify for public matching funds. General election candidates are eligible for up to \$10.5 million in public funds. In exchange, other than a few exceptions, they must limit their total general election spending to \$15.6 million.

2021 Gubernatorial Finance Limits/Thresholds

Limit/Threshold	Amount
Contribution Limit	\$ 4,900
Qualification Threshold	\$ 490,000
Amount Not Matched	\$ 156,000
Primary Public Fund Cap	\$ 4,600,000
Primary Expenditure Limit	\$ 7,300,000
General Public Fund Cap	\$10,500,000
General Expenditure Limit	\$15,600,000

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