

CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS

Reference: Government Code Sections 81000, et seq.; 82015; 84200, et seq.; 85201

No person shall make a contribution in excess of \$1,000.00 to a candidate seeking election to the Governing Board of Southwestern Community College District for a single election. No candidate shall solicit or accept a contribution in excess of \$1,000.00 from a person for a single election. All contributions made by a person whose contribution activity is financed, maintained or controlled by another person shall be deemed to be made by that other person. A candidate may contribute in excess of \$1,000.00 to his or her own campaign. This contribution limit shall be reviewed by the Governing Board biannually.

No organization shall make a contribution to any candidate seeking election to the Governing Board of Southwestern Community College District or candidate-controlled campaign committee. All contributions made by a person whose contribution activity is financed, maintained or controlled by an organization shall be deemed to be made by that organization. If the contribution is deemed made by an organization, it is prohibited.

This prohibition shall not apply to contributions made to a committee that is organized solely for the purpose of supporting or opposing any ballot measure.

Definitions

- A. "Candidate" means any individual seeking election to the Governing Board of Southwestern Community College, the candidate's campaign committee, committee(s) controlled by the candidate, and agents of the candidate.
- B. "Contribution" is defined in a manner identical with the definition found in Government Code Section 82015, contained within the Political Reform Act, and any related provisions in the California Code of Regulations.
- C. "Organization" means a proprietorship, labor union, firm, partnership, joint venture, syndicate, business, trust, company, corporation, association, or committee, including a political action committee. "Organization" does not include political party committees, as that term is defined in California Government Code Section 85205.
- D. "Person" means a natural individual.