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2025 Filing Schedule for State Major Donor Committees State Independent Expenditure Committees

Deadline	Period	Form	Notes
Within 10 Days Independent Expenditure Verification	Ongoing	<u>462</u>	 Committees making independent expenditures must file this form with the FPPC by e-mail only. No paper copy is required. Committees file only one Form 462 per election for each candidate or measure supported or opposed by an independent expenditure.
Jan 31, 2025 Semi-Annual	* – 12/31/24	<u>461</u>	 If no contributions or independent expenditures were made after June 30, 2024, this statement is not required.
Apr 30, 2025 <i>Odd-Year</i>	1/1/25 – 3/31/25	<u>461</u>	 File if contributions totaling \$10,000 or more are made to committees controlled by an elected state officer or committees primarily formed to support or oppose an elected state officer. Note: If the committee does not make contributions or independent expenditures after March 31, 2025, the committee may list the period covered as 1/1/25 – 6/30/25 on Form 461. No further reports are required as long as no additional contributions or independent expenditures are made. A single contribution or independent expenditure will require additional reports, as indicated below.
Jul 31, 2025 Semi-Annual	1/1/25 – 6/30/25	<u>461</u>	 Period covered is 4/1/25 – 6/30/25 if an odd-year report was filed.
Oct 31, 2025 <i>Odd-Year</i>	7/1/25 — 9/30/25	<u>461</u>	 File if contributions totaling \$10,000 or more are made to committees controlled by an elected state officer or committees primarily formed to support or oppose an elected state officer. Note: If the committee does not make contributions or independent expenditures after June 30, 2025, the committee may list the period covered as 7/1/25 – 12/31/25 on Form 461. No further reports are required as long as no additional contributions or independent expenditures are made. A single contribution or independent expenditure will require additional reports, as indicated below.
Feb 2, 2026** Semi-Annual	7/1/25 — 12/31/25	<u>461</u>	 Period covered is 10/1/25 – 12/31/25 if an odd-year report was filed. This statement is not required if all contributions and independent expenditures have been disclosed on Form 461 covering the period through June 30, 2025.

See the next page for additional reporting information.

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Additional Notes:

- *Period Covered: The period covered by any statement begins on the day after the closing date of the last statement filed, or January 1, if no previous statement has been filed.
- **Deadline Extensions: Deadlines are extended when they fall on a Saturday, Sunday, or an official state holiday. This extension does not apply to a 24-hour/10- day Contribution Report (Form 497) that is due the weekend before the election, and this extension never applies to any 24-hour/10-day Independent Expenditure Report (Form 496). Such reports must be filed within 24 hours, regardless of the day of the week.
- Form 461: All state committees, including E-Filers, must also file paper statements.
- Paper Filings: All paper filings may be filed by first-class mail or by email with a verified digital signature unless otherwise noted. Persons required to file a report or statement by paper with the Secretary of State's Office may instead file by email (<u>digitalfiling@sos.ca.gov</u>) with a verified digital signature or other digital means as prescribed by the Secretary of State's Office. Please visit the Secretary of State's website for more information on how to file with a digital signature.
- E-Filer: A state committee that has received contributions or made expenditures totaling \$25,000 or more.
- Multipurpose Organizations (including non-profits): A multipurpose organization that uses its general dues account to make contributions or expenditures may qualify as a major donor or independent expenditure committee and may be required to report payments on Form 461. Such an organization will qualify as a recipient committee if expenditures exceed \$50,000 in a 12-month period or \$100,000 in four consecutive calendar years. An organization that qualifies as a recipient committee may need to file statements disclosing contributors. For more information, see FPPC's fact sheet, Multipurpose Organizations Reporting Political Spending.
- State Contribution Limits: Refer to the contribution limits chart on the FPPC website.
- Expenditures for Local Elections: 24-hour independent expenditure or contribution reports (Forms 496 or 497) must be filed if independent expenditures or contributions totaling \$1,000 or more are made during the 90 days before an election or on the date of the election. Independent expenditures of \$1,000 or more also require the filing of Form 462. Contact local jurisdictions for information on local restrictions (e.g., contribution limits), if any.
- State Special Elections: If a state special election is held in 2025, a filing schedule will be posted on the FPPC website. Additional statements may be required.
- Activity in Local Elections: Committees making contributions or independent expenditures in connection with a local election should consult the filing schedule for that election, as Forms 497 and 496 may be required. Contact local jurisdictions to determine if there are contribution limits or other restrictions for those elections.
- Penalties: Committees that fail to file on time may be subject to a fine of \$10 per day on both the paper and the e-filed version (i.e., \$20 per day for a late e-filed Form 460). Failure to file a statement could result in an enforcement penalty of \$5,000 per violation.
- Public Documents: All statements are public documents.
- Resources: Campaign manuals and other instructional materials are available on the Campaign Rules page. Or, visit www.fppc.ca.gov > Learn > Campaign Rules.