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## PRESS ADVISORY

The New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission (ELEC) has approved \$143,749 in public matching funds for the 2017 gubernatorial primary campaigns of two candidates.

ELEC has approved \$86,620 in public funds for the Democratic primary campaign of James Johnson. His cumulative receipts total \$1,280,696.

ELEC also has approved \$57,129 in public funds for the Democratic primary campaign of Assemblyman John Wisniewski. He has received \$751,487 to date.

Through today, \$3.9 million has been distributed to all candidates for the primary election.

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](http://www.elec.state.nj.us/publicinformation/gub_man.htm).

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