

SOUTH DAKOTA CAMPAIGN FINANCE CONTRIBUTION LIMITS

NO CANDIDATE OR POLITICAL COMMITTEE MAY:

- Accept any contribution from any state, state agency, political subdivision of the state, foreign government, Indian tribal entity, federal agency, or the federal government. **(12-27-21)**
- Give or accept a contribution unless the name, mailing address, city & state of the contributor is made known to the person, entity, candidate, or political committee receiving the contribution. Any contribution, money, or other thing of value received by a candidate or political committee from an unknown source shall be donated to a nonprofit charitable entity. **(12-27-11)**

CANDIDATE CAMPAIGN COMMITTEES: Contributions received by a candidate campaign committee may only be used for: (1) A purpose related to a candidate's campaign; (2) Expenses incident to being a public official or former public official; or (3) Donations to any other candidate, political committee, or nonprofit charitable organization. **(12-27-50)**

NEW LAW: 12-27-10.4. (Text of section effective July 1, 2019) All political action committees established, financed, maintained, or controlled by the same person or entity, including any parent, subsidiary, branch, division, department, or local unit of the person or entity, are affiliated and share a single contribution limit under SDCL 12-27-9, both with respect to contributions made and contributions received. **(Only applies to PACS)**

Donated goods or services **DO COUNT** towards contribution limits. (SDCL 12-27-1 (6))

* **Individual** – a candidate or candidate’s immediate family may give unlimited contributions

****PAC** – includes federal and statewide *****Party** – includes national, statewide, county and auxiliary

Contribution Limits Statute References: SDCL 12-27-7, 8, 9, 10 and 18.1

*Any contribution from a person who is an unemancipated **minor** shall be deducted from the total contribution permitted under this section by the unemancipated minor’s custodial parent or parents. Does not apply if a minor is immediate family to the candidate.

Contribution limits to a PAC from:	
Individual*	\$10,000
PAC**	Unlimited
Party***	Unlimited
Entity	\$10,000
Federal, Statewide, Legislative & County Candidate Committee	Unlimited
Ballot Question Committee	\$10,000

Contribution limits to a Statewide Candidate from:	
Individual*	\$4,000
PAC**	Unlimited
Party***	Unlimited
Entity	\$4,000
Federal, Statewide, Legislative & County Candidate Committee	Unlimited
Ballot Question Committee	Prohibited

Contribution limits to a Ballot Question from:	
Individual*	Unlimited
PAC**	Unlimited
Party***	Unlimited
Entity	Unlimited
Federal, Statewide, Legislative & County Candidate Committee	Unlimited
Ballot Question Committee	Unlimited

Contribution limits to a Legislative or County Candidate from:	
Individual*	\$1,000
PAC**	Unlimited
Party***	Unlimited
Entity	\$1,000
Federal, Statewide, Legislative & County Candidate Committee	Unlimited
Ballot Question Committee	Prohibited

Contribution limits to a Political Party from:	
Individual*	\$10,000
PAC**	Unlimited
Party***	Unlimited
Entity	\$10,000
Federal, Statewide, Legislative & County Candidate Committee	Unlimited
Ballot Question Committee	Prohibited