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FEC RELEASES FINAL REPORT
ON 1980 PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ACTIVITY

WASHINGTON - Sixteen Presidential contenders spent \$129 million seeking their parties' 1980 nominations, according to a final Report released today by the Federal Election Commission.

The study, entitled 1979-80 FEC Report on Financial Activity for Presidential Pre-Nomination Campaigns, lists the financial activity of the 16 Presidential primary candidates and details what they raised and spent in their bids for nomination.

The period covered by the Report is generally January 1, 1979, through December 31, 1980. Most of the campaigns began during 1979, and all were continuing to report activity to the end of 1980. Two campaigns had financial activity during 1978, which has been included in the FEC Report. The limited activity which has continued into 1981 has not been included. Only primary campaign activity is outlined; no general election information is provided.

Candidates included in the study were chosen because each had financial activity in excess of \$100,000. There are four Democrats, nine Republicans, two Libertarians, and one Socialist Workers Party candidate. They are:

John B. Anderson - R	Edward E. Clark - L	Edward M. Kennedy - D
Howard H. Baker, Jr. - R	John B. Connally - R	Lyndon H. LaRouche - D
Edmund G. Brown, Jr. - D	Philip M. Crane - R	Andrew Pulley - SWP
George Bush - R	Robert J. Dole - R	Ronald Reagan - R
James E. Carter - D	Benjamin Fernandez - R	Harold E. Stassen - R
	William H. Hunscher - L	

The 16 campaigns reported raising \$131.2 million and spending \$129.1 million.

Ten of the campaigns received federal matching funds. Their total reported receipts were \$115.6 million. Spending for the ten totalled \$113.7 million.

However, the manner in which the Act requires candidates to report their campaign finances causes total figures to be inflated. In real dollars, taking into account loan repayments, contribution refunds, and refunds or rebates, the 16 Presidential candidates raised \$108.6 million and spent \$106.5 million. The 10 matching fund campaigns raised \$94.2 million and spent \$92.3 million.

Using these "adjusted" figures, a synopsis of the financial activity for all 16 campaigns shows that contributions from individuals, totalling \$73.6 million, accounted for 67.7% of all money raised. PAC contributions of \$1.56 million represented only 1.4% of total funds raised by Presidential primary campaigns.

The same type of overview for the 10 campaigns receiving federal matching funds shows that individual contributions represented 64.8% of all money raised; PAC contributions accounted for only 1.4%; and Federal dollars made up 32.8% of their funding.

The following chart shows the comparison between the funding of the 10 matching fund campaigns in 1979-80, and that of the 15 matching fund campaigns in 1975-76.

1976 and 1980 MATCHING FUND PRESIDENTIAL ACTIVITY

1976		1980	
Number of Candidates	15	Number of Candidates	10
"Adjusted" Receipts	\$67.9	"Adjusted" Receipts	\$94.2
Individual Contributions	\$42.5 - 62.7%	Individual Contributions	\$61.0 - 64.8%
PAC Contributions	\$.8 - 1.1%	PAC Contributions	\$ 1.4 - 1.4%
Federal Matching Funds	\$24.3 - 35.8%	Federal Matching Funds	\$30.9 - 32.8%
"Adjusted" Disbursements	\$66.9	"Adjusted" Disbursements	\$92.3

- Figures are in millions of dollars.
- Percentages are in relation to "Adjusted" Receipts.
- The difference in the number of campaigns, plus inflation should be taken into consideration before any comparison is made.

In addition to money spent by the campaigns, \$2.2 million was spent independently to promote candidates; just over \$.5 million was spent independently against candidates. Partisan communications (by corporations, labor unions, etc.) on behalf of candidates totalled \$.6 million; \$.2 million was spent on negative communications. Approximately \$.5 million was spent on draft Presidential activities.

The FEC Report contains numerous tables with financial information presented in a variety of ways. Copies are available for \$1.00 from the FEC Public Records Office, 1325 K Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20463.

The following chart presents a brief overview of the financial activity for each of the 16 Presidential campaigns contained in the FEC Report.

	Net Receipts Per Report	"Adjusted" Receipts	Individual Contributions	PAC Contributions	Matching Funds	Net Disbursements Per Report	"Adjusted" Disbursements
Brown - D	\$ 3.21	\$ 2.65	\$ 1.71	\$.04	\$.89	\$ 3.21	\$ 2.65
Carter - D	19.59	18.55	12.93	.46	5.05	19.56	18.52
Kennedy - D	16.74	12.29	7.75	.23	3.86	16.72	12.27
LaRouche - D	2.23	2.14	1.55	.008	.53	2.23	2.15
Anderson - R	7.25	6.63	3.91	.02	2.68	7.15	6.52
Baker - R	9.08	7.14	4.20	.13	2.64	9.01	7.07
Bush - R	22.21	16.71	10.87	.13	5.72	22.20	16.71
Crane - R	5.42	5.24	3.47	.002	1.75	5.40	5.22
Dole - R	1.56	1.43	.90	.045	.45	1.52	1.39
Reagan - R	28.32	21.39	13.76	.285	7.29	26.75	19.82
SUBTOTAL	\$ 115.60	\$ 94.17	\$ 61.05	\$ 1.35	\$ 30.86	\$ 113.75	\$ 92.32
Connally - R	\$ 13.80	\$ 12.72	\$ 11.64	\$.205	\$ 0	\$ 13.70	\$ 12.62
Fernandez - R	.26	.25	.19	.002	0	.25	.25
Stassen - R	.12	.11	.006	0	0	.14	.12
Clark - L	1.10	1.09	.57	0	0	1.03	1.02
Hunscher - L	.15	.15	.01	0	0	.10	.10
Pulley - SWP	.16	.13	.10	0	0	.15	.12
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 131.19	\$ 108.62	\$ 73.57	\$ 1.56	\$ 30.86	\$ 129.12	\$ 106.55

(FIGURES ARE IN MILLIONS OF DOLLARS)

- Net Receipts or Net Disbursements Per Report means total reported receipts or disbursements minus any transfers received from or disbursed to affiliated committees.
- "Adjusted" Receipts or "Adjusted" Disbursements are total reported receipts or disbursements minus transfers from or to affiliated committees, loan repayments, contribution refunds, and refunds or rebates received.
- Individual Contributions are total reported contributions minus itemized contribution refunds. Unitemized refunds are not included in the net calculation. See Page 3 of the Report.
- Matching Fund figures are taken from the total reported by the campaigns through December 31, 1980. See Page 1 of the Report.
- Total matching fund certifications totalled \$31.3 million...Additional funds were certified to Carter, Crane, and Kennedy in 1981.