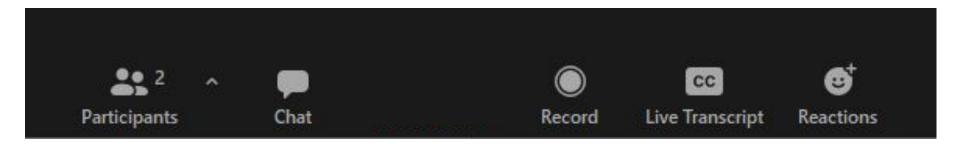


TREASURER'S TRAINING

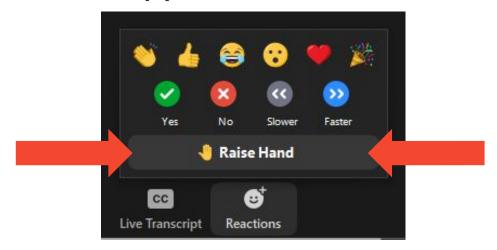
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RAISING YOUR HAND ON COMPUTER

STEP ONE: Click on the "**Reactions**" button at the bottom of your Zoom screen.



STEP TWO: A menu that looks like this will appear. Click **"Raise hand"**



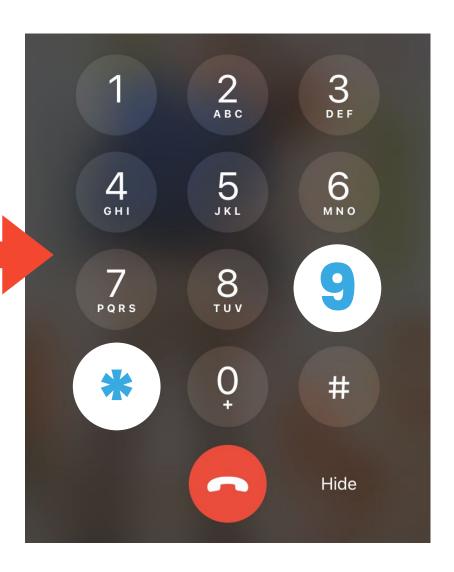


RAISING YOUR HAND ON YOUR PHONE

STEP ONE: Press *9 on your phone's keypad

TOGGLE MUTE/UNMUTE

Press *6 on your phone's keypad







- Be Respectful
- Be Present
- Ask Questions
- Use the Chat

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MEET YOUR DEMOCRATIC FAMILY

What's the most interesting contribution you've ever received?

OUR AGENDA:

- 1. "Voice of Compliance"
- 2. Your Role
- 3. First 10 Days
- 4. Candidate Party Committee
- 5. Submitting Reports
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VOICE OF COMPLIANCE





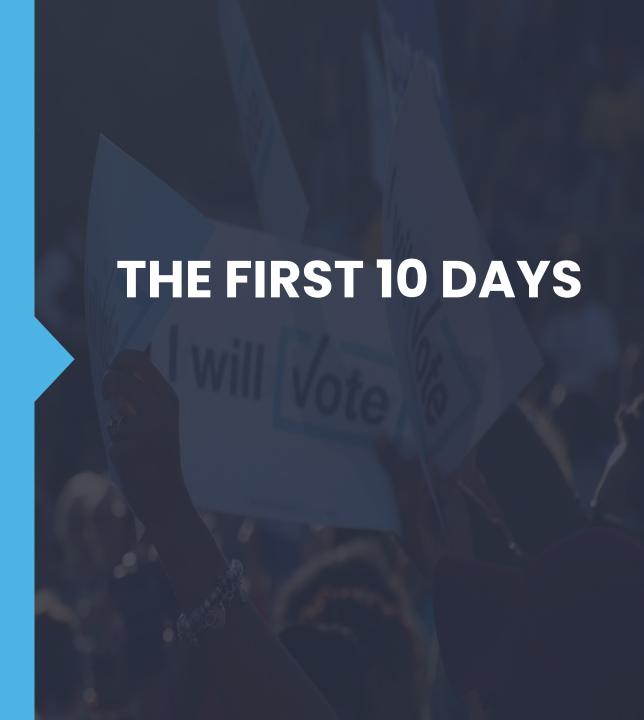
YOUR ROLE AS TREASURER

TREASURER RESPONSIBILITIES

- Maintain all financial records of the committee.
 - Describe every transaction of the committee, and include documentation supporting all contributions and expenditures
- File all required reports accurately and <u>on time</u>
- Committees whose treasurers fail to file reports in a timely manner may incur a financial penalty
- The treasurer listed on the last filed Statement of Organization (<u>CRO-2100A</u>) is the treasurer of record, responsible for the compliance of the committee and subject to penalties and sanctions







THE FIRST 10 DAYS

Statement of Organization-Party Committee

- Complete and submit a new Statement of Organization (CRO-2100C)
- <u>CRO-3500</u> Certification of Financial Account Number Info
- Finding prior reports: <u>www.ncsbe.gov</u>
 - Campaign Finance → Search Campaign Funding & Spending Reports → Campaign Finance Report Search
 - Type in name to find
- Have to complete both forms, otherwise they continue to contact previous treasurer





CAMPAIGN FINANCE TRAINING: CANDIDATE PARTY COMMITTEE

CAMPAIGN FINANCE TRAINING

TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

- Complete within 3 months of appointment
- Once every 4 years thereafter
- Sign treasurer documents prior to the training What happens
- What happens if I do not secure training within 3 months



CAMPAIGN FINANCE TRAINING

TRAINING

- Webinar: proof of attendance & contacts if questions...
- Training is very specific
- How to register for training



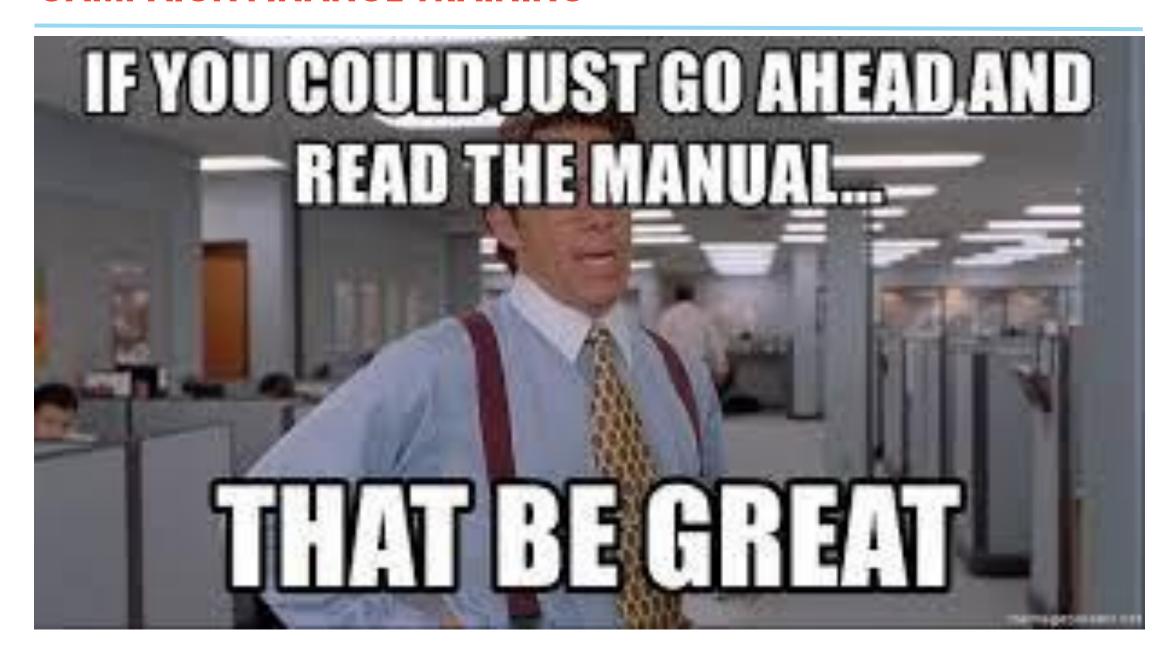
SIGNING UP FOR FINANCE TRAINING

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CAMPAIGN FINANCE TRAINING



CAMPAIGN FINANCE TRAINING

STEPS TO TAKE

- 1. Home Page | NCSB
- 2. Sign up for training
- 3. Download the manual/read
- 4. Take training
- 5. Go back and read manual!!!





SUBMITTING REPORTS

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HOW TO SUBMIT REPORTS AND BE TIMELY

- Your are responsible for obtaining evidence of timely submission
- You are responsible for having the proof



SUBMITTING REPORTS

HOW TO SUBMIT

- What method do I use to send?
 - Certified mailing, USPS, overnight delivery by FedEx and UPS, onsite drop box at State Board of Elections
- Online: doesn't mean faxed or emailed
- What address do I use?
 - USPS: PO Box 27255
 Raleigh NC 27611
 - FedEx and UPS: 430 N Salisbury St
 6400 Mail Service Center
 Raleigh NC 27603





WET SIGNATURE

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- NC requires what is called a "wet signature," which means that
 the signature must be an original, not a photocopy or a stamp.
 That is why photocopies, faxes or email scans of Disclosure
 Reports and other documents requiring signature (with few
 exceptions) are not accepted. If a photocopied signature is
 submitted instead of the original, the report is treated as
 "miscellaneous correspondence."
- Use Blue Ink suggestion
- Electronically does not = email or fax
- Paper filing



ELECTRONIC FILING

ELECTRONIC DOESN'T MEAN EMAIL OR FAX

- Electronic filing is an alternative for all committees and a requirement for committees that spend over \$5,000 to affect statewide contests or if the committee raises or spends more than \$10,000 during the election cycle. FREE software is available from our website and includes an audit feature that will identify possible violations and discrepancies before the report is filed. In addition, the software tracks all contributors entered into the system and reports only those contributors required by law to be reported.
- Software training is available at the State Board of Elections office in Raleigh. To register for training contact the Campaign Finance Office at campaign.reporting@ncsbe.gov.

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REPORTING SCHEDULES

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2021

• Mid-year Semiannual: Due 7/30 2021

Report Name	Report Start Date	Report End Date	Report Due Date
Mid-year Semiannual	01/01/2021	06/30/2021	07/30/2021
Year-end Semiannual	07/01/2021	12/31/2021	01/28/2022



REPORTING SCHEDULES

2022

Report Name	Report Start Date	Report End Date	Report Due Date
First Quarter Plus	01/01/2022	02/19/2022	02/28/2022
Second Quarter	02/20/2022	06/30/2022	07/12/2022
Thirds Quarter Plus	07/01/2022	10/22/2022	10/31/2022
Fourth Quarter	10/23/2022	12/31/2022	01/11/2022
Mid-year Semiannual	01/01/2022	06/30/2022	07/29/2022
Year-end Semiannual	07/01/2022	12/31/2022	01/27/2023



REPORTING SCHEDULES

CIVIL PENALTIES

- Political Party Committees may receive penalties for late filed reports. A political Party committee's report that does not affect a statewide election would be penalized at \$50 per day not to exceed \$500.
- A report is considered to affect a statewide election if the committee made any contributions to or in support of a statewide candidate during the reporting period. If the political party committee did file a report that affected a statewide election, the committee will be penalized at a rate of \$250. Not to exceed \$10,000.
- The State Board may waive the penalty of there is good cause for the waiver.
- Waiver requests are considered, and voted on, at State Board meetings.





SHOW ME THE MONEY: REPORTING CONTRIBUTIONS

WHAT IS A CONTRIBUTION?

A contribution is **anything of value whatsoever**, made to, or in coordination with, a candidate to support or oppose the nomination or election of one or more clearly identified candidates, or to a political committee, to a political party, to an affiliated party committee, or to a referendum committee, whether or not made in an election year, and any contract, agreement, or other obligation to make a contribution. N.C.G.S. § 163-278.6(13).





Contributions rcvd. from an individual that has not exceeded \$50 since the day after the last election are not required to be reported with the contributor's name, address or occupational information. The date, amount, payment method, account, and election sum-to-date shall be disclosed for all contributions, regardless of amount.

- If an individual exceeds \$50 in cumulative contributions for the election, the treasurer is required to disclose the name of that individual on the next required disclosure report **and all contributions made by that** individual since the date of the last election.
- Additionally, contributions received at a fundraiser from the sale of items such as dinner tickets, t- shirts, buttons, or hotdogs would also require disclosure and count toward an individual's \$50 threshold for identity reporting.



PRINCIPAL OCCUPATIONS

• What is required?

BEST EFFORTS

- How do I secure the required information?
- This changed in 2020.
- Reasonable attempt to obtain this info



08 NCAC 21.0101 Best Efforts:

This rule specifies "best efforts" for the purposes of G.S. § 163-278.11(d). When a treasurer can show that best efforts were used to obtain, maintain and submit the required contributor information, the report of the committee shall be considered in compliance. Below are some key points, but all treasurers should review the full content of the rule.

The rule requires that all written fundraising solicitations include a request for:

- o The contributor's name,
- The contributor's mailing address,
- o The contributor's principal occupation, and
- A statement of North Carolina law. Sample statements are in the rule.
 For each contribution in excess of \$50.00, the treasurer must make at least one documented effort to obtain the missing information.

If a contributor fails to provide the required information, the treasurer must report whatever information is in the committee's possession. Reports must be amended if contributor information is received after the contribution has been disclosed.

- •For an employed contributor, the committee must disclose the contributor's job title or profession, and the employer's name or employer's specific field of business activity.
- For a self-employed contributor, the committee must disclose the contributor's job title or profession, and the name of the contributor's business or contributor's specific field of business activity.
- For a contributor who principally earns income as a **consultant or an independent contractor**, the committee must disclose the contributor's **job title or profession**, and either (1) the name of the **principal client of the contributor**, or (2) the specific field of business activity of the principal client or clients of the contributor. •
- For a contributor who is not earning income, but maintains an active professional license in North Carolina or in another jurisdiction contributor's profession must be listed.
- If the contributor does not fall into one of the categories described above at the time the contribution is made, the committee may list the contributor as having "<u>no job title or profession</u>" and "not employed." The committee <u>may not list the contributor as "retired."</u> This term does not adequately convey the current occupation of the contributor.



BANNED CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES

BANNED CONTRIBUTIONS

BEWARE

- No Anonymous Contributions
- Accepting Blank Checks is prohibited
- Name and address required for all contributions
- No pass the hat, collection plate, etc
- Connect all contributions to an individual donor
 - Hot dogs, raffle, tickets, buttons, and t-shirts included



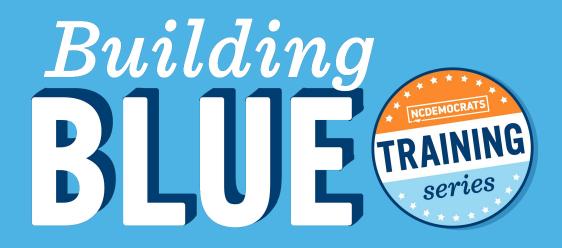


BANNED CONTRIBUTIONS

BEWARE

- Political Party Executive and Affiliated Committee exception
- No cash contributions over \$50, per contributor / per day
- No contributions given in the name of another
 - What if two folks are listed on check
 - Can't accept business checks?





IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS

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- In-kind contributions (contributions of goods or services) must also be reported. The contributor should provide the committee with a statement setting forth the fair market value of the in-kind contribution. The contribution is reported on a receipt form (CRO-1205, -1210, -1220, -1230 as appropriate) and also on the In-Kind Contributions form (CRO-1510).
- Reporting on both forms serves to balance the account by adding the value to the total receipts and total expenditures, with a net impact of \$0 to the committee's cash on hand.



IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS

- Something of value, but <u>not</u> a monetary contribution
- Come in
- Reimbursements
 - In and out
 - It's a wash
- I obtain receipts or a statement of value from the contributor to show fair market value of the contribution





PAYMENT METHODS

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DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS

- Owed by the committee <u>CRO-1610</u>
- Owed to the committee <u>CRO-1620</u>

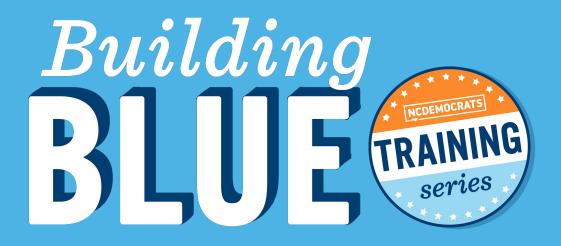


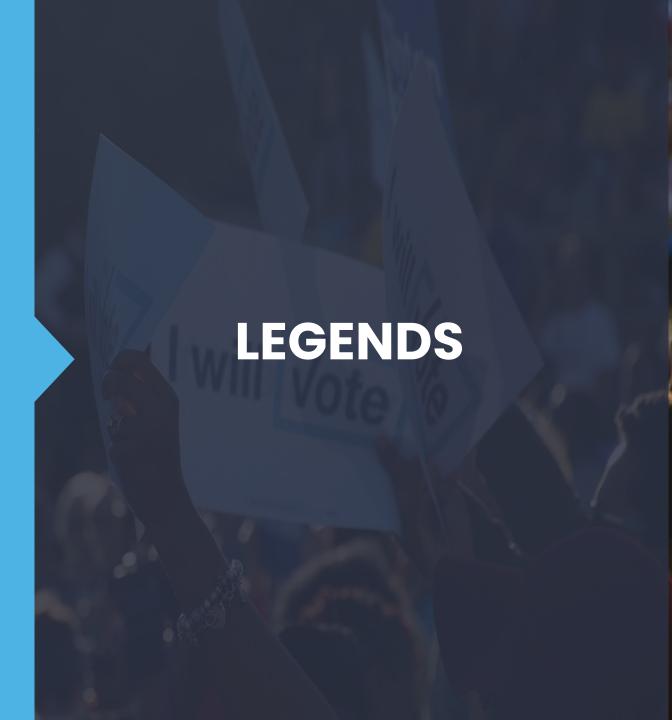
PAYMENT METHODS

EXPENSES

- All media expenses & all other expenses over \$50 must be paid with a verifiable form of payment
- Any amount of postage can be paid with cash
- If a vendor is paid for multiple expenses, each expense must be disclosed







LEGENDS

LEGENDS REQUIRED

- √ Newspaper ads
- √ Periodicals
- √ Magazines
- √ Newspaper Inserts
- √ TV ads
- √ Cards*
- √ Airplane streamers
- √ Radio ads
- √ Fliers*

- √ Pamphlets*
- √ Outdoor
- √ Mass mailings*
- √ Billboards advertising facilities
- √ Sound-truck advertising
- √ Portable signs (lighted or non-lighted; some on wheels to be pulled around, or large magnetic signs that are affixed to car doors)



LEGENDS

LEGENDS NOT REQUIRED

- X Buttons and bumper stickers, including bumper
- X Yard signs and window posters
- X Barn posters
- X Campaign paraphernalia such as balloons, shopping bags, nail files, etc., imprinted with a campaign message







RAFFLES

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- Treasures interested in holding raffles should consult the provisions of N.C.G.S 14-309.15
 - permissible for candidates and political committees to conduct raffles under certain conditions.
 - Also raffles shall not be conducted in conjunction with bingo.
- Campaign Finance law requires that each raffle ticket sale be reported, along with the item being raffled.
- For questions about reporting raffles in committee campaign finance reports, please contact state board staff at (919)814-0700



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RESOURCES, RESOURCES, RESOURCES

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GREAT RESOURCES

- Campaign Finance Manual
- Campaign Finance Staff (919) 814-0700
- Campaign.reporting@ncsbe.gov
- State Board of Elections website
 - www.ncsbe.gov (Board of elections contacts, Short Courses, Form & Instructions, Software, etc.)
- Reporting Schedules
- Best Efforts





QUESTIONS?



THANK YOU!



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