**Respondent Names** 

Citizens for Yelm Schools/Citizens in Support of Yelm Community Schools - 2024

**Complainant Name** 

Conner Edwards

#### **Complaint Description**

Conner Edwards

Sun, 12 May 2024 at 11:43 PM

Description of Complaint

See attachments. It appears that this committee made expenditures and raised funds in anticipation of the April 2024 levy but did not file any of the required reports or even an updated registration.

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By any objective measure, it is unacceptable that the PDC would take no action to help bring this filer into compliance now that the statute of limitations is rapidly approaching. The PDC has an obligation to provide transparency to the voters by enforcing filing requirements. The agency's failure to actively monitor the filings of committees and enforce filing requirements damages both the public and the committees themselves.

I have tried many different times to get the PDC to take action on this type of issue with no tangible results whatsoever. At one point, I believe the agency discussed the possibility of internally flagging non-filers in the PDC's system and proactively reaching out to them to bring them into compliance, but it appears this is not happening.

Having exhausted all of my other options to pursue reform, the only remaining option available to me to compel the agency to take action here is to file PDC complaints against these noncompliant filers in an effort to force the agency to take action.

By highlighting the agency's failure to meaningfully enforce current reporting deadlines, my hope is that the agency will look to improve its own enforcement procedures and help committees and treasurers comply with the law.

Notice to Respondents:

I apologize to you for any inconvenience caused by this complaint; it is not my intention.

No campaign treasurer or campaign/committee is perfect. Trying to comply with the myriad of requirements and deadlines the PDC enforces can be extremely difficult, even for those who have been doing this for years. The agency could adopt any number of strategies to help filers "get it right" when it comes to deadlines and other requirements. Some of these strategies might include: a) automated electronic filing reminders to a filer when they have missed a deadline, b) mandatory attendance in a PDC training course before a person is allowed to serve as treasurer, c) giving filers 48 hours to file 21- & 7-day pre-election reports as opposed to the 24 hours candidates currently get, and d) improvements to the ORCA online campaign finance filing system to improve useability.

In my opinion, the agency has failed to provide many filers with the knowledge and tools that they need to file reports on time and be compliant.

If you are confused by the filing requirements that the agency enforces or are experiencing technical difficulties and/or usability issues with the ORCA system, please be sure to indicate this in your response to the PDC: your comments will provide valuable feedback for the agency.

What impact does the alleged violation(s) have on the public?

Because this committee has not timely filed one or more required reports, members of the public are unable to view up to date financial information, significantly reducing transparency available to voters.

The PDC has an obligation to provide transparency to the voters by enforcing filing requirements. The agency's failure to actively monitor the filings of committees and enforce filing requirements damages both the public and the committees themselves.

It is imperative that PDC staff reach out to this committee immediately to bring them into compliance.

List of attached evidence or contact information where evidence may be found

PDC Website.

List of potential witnesses with contact information to reach them

See respondent contact info on PDC website.

**Certification (Complainant)** 

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that information provided with this complaint is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.



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#### **Committee Name**

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<u>CITIZENS</u> FOR FIRE PROTECTION RAINIER AND YELM	2018	Other	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
<u>CITIZENS</u> <u>FOR</u> <u>SUPPORT OF</u> <u>YELM</u> <u>SCHOOLS</u>	2018	Education	\$35,874.67	\$30,630.60	\$0.00		YELM COMMUNI SCHOOLS
<u>CITIZENS</u> FOR FIRE PROTECTION RAINIER AND YELM	2017	Other	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
<u>CITIZENS</u> <u>FOR FIRE</u> <u>PROTECTION</u> <u>RAINIER</u> <u>AND YELM</u>	2016	Other	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		

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# **CITIZENS FOR SUPPORT OF YELM SCHOOLS - 2019**

## **Committee Information**

Registration December 22, 2018

**Treasurer** PAUL MANWILLER 15014 CHAMPION ESTATES DR SE YELM, WA, 98597

**Political Committee Type** Local Ballot Measure

**Jurisdiction** None reported.

**Committee Address** PO BOX 1537 YELM, WA 98597

**Phone** 253-677-0411

Email CITIZENS4YELMSCHOOLS@GMAIL.COM

# **Financial Information**

## Campaign Starting Balance

\$22,281.95

#### **Contributions Amount**

\$24,742.00

#### Loans Amount

\$0.00

#### **Total Receipts**

\$47,023.95

#### **Expenditures**

\$32,906.06

#### <u>Pledges</u>

\$0.00

#### <u>Debts</u>

\$0.00

## Made to committee for 2019 Contributions

See who has contributed cash and in-kind (non-monetary) contributions to the committee.

#### **Contributions made to committee for 2019**

Individual \$13,354.00

Business \$5,893.00

**Other** \$5,495.00



## Made by committee for 2019 Expenditures

See how the committee has spent money, and what kind of goods and services it received as in-kind contributions.

#### Expenditures made by committee for 2019



Inkind contribution \$7,939.00

Independent Expenditure \$629.79



#### Made to committee

#### <u>Loans</u>

See loans received, forgiven or paid by the campaign.

## \$0.00

# Held by committee <u>Debts</u>

See the campaign's debt reporting history.

# **Campaign Finance Reports**

See the reports filed by the committee. Reports with a strikethrough were amended by another report.

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10. Eligibility to Give to Political Committees and State Office Candidates: A committee must receive \$10 or more each from ten Washington State registered voters before contributing to a Washington State political committee. Additionally, during the six months							
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#### Attachment to C1PC – Political Committee Registration

Name CITIZENS FOR SUPPORT OF YELM SCHOOLS

2. Related or affiliated committees

5. Deputy Treasurers Name and Address.

6. Persons who perform only ministerial functions, Name, Title and Address.

7. Committee Officers, List Name, Title and Address.

PAUL MANWILLER JOHN CORAK LANORA SIGGELKOW TREASURER CO-CHAIR BOARD MEMBER

15014 CHAMPION ESTATES DR SE, YELM WA 9802 346TH STREET S, ROY WA 98580 35018 50TH AVE S, ROY WA 98580

# **Thurston County Elections**

Thurston County Auditor | Elections | April 23, 2024 Special Election

#### April 23, 2024 Special Election

Last updated on 05/02/2024 4:31 PM

Number of Precincts	29
Number of Registered Voters	19,048
Total Ballots Counted	6,176
Estimated Ballots Left to Count	
Next Ballot Count On	FINAL
Last Tabulated	05/02/2024 4:31 PM
Voter Turnout	32.42%
Certification Date	05/03/2024
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#### School

Yelm Community Schools Proposition No. 1 - Replacement Educational Programs and Operations Levy \*Multi-county race. Results include only Thurston County.

Measure	Vote	Vote %
Yes	3,054	49.51%
No	3,115	50.49%
Total Votes	6,169	
Multi-county Results » Precinct Results »		



#### **Key Facts:**

- 1. We are the primary organization working to pass the levy. Passing the levy will maintain the current level of support and staff that students currently enjoy. The levy will provide over 57 million dollars over the next four years.
- 2. We need donations to cover the expenses of producing campaign materials, including door hangers, signs, and postcards, as well as the costs of mailing. We haven't fundraised for over four years, and our funds are limited.
- 3. As a nonprofit organization, our board and volunteers are all unpaid. Every donation will directly contribute to the levy campaign.

Yelm is a large district with 18,981 registered voters. During the first levy campaign we only sent out 3,755 mailers – we need to do better. In addition to our mailers, we plan to door-knock and place door hangers on each door and place more signs around town.

We appreciate your generocity and your support of all of our students.

#### **Donate Now**

If you prefer to pay by check, you can send it to: Citizens in Support of Yelm Community Schools PO BOX 1537 Yelm, WA 98597

If you are an organization that would like to partner with us, please <u>contact us here</u> to reach our board.

### About Us

Citizens for Yelm Schools is dedicated to advocating for funding and community support for the Yelm Community Schools. Through campaigns, stakeholder engagement, and awareness efforts, we tirelessly work to secure a quality school system in Yelm.

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