

Respondent Name
King County Federation of Democratic Women (KCFDW)
Complainant Name
Conner Edwards
Complaint Description
<p>Conner Edwards reported via the portal (Fri, 9 Aug 2024 at 11:50 AM)</p> <p>Description of Complaint</p> <p>Based on the expenditures disclosed on this C4 (https://apollo.pdc.wa.gov/public/registrations/campaign-finance-report/110236842), this committee was obligated to file a C4 at the 7 day pre-election deadline because the candidates supported/opposed by the committee appeared on the August 2024 ballot. It failed to disclose this activity which should have been disclosed before the primary until after the primary.</p> <p>Notice to Respondent</p> <p>I apologize to you for any inconvenience caused by this complaint.</p> <p>This complaint is one of hundreds that I have filed to highlight and ultimately fix the significant shortcomings associated with the agency responsible for administering our state's campaign finance laws.</p> <p>What are these shortcomings?</p> <p>Overcomplicated and outdated requirements that are difficult to understand and comply with. Failure to properly educate filers about the tasks they must perform to remain in compliance with applicable requirements and avoid complaints. Failure of the agency to send regular reminders to filers about pending deadlines. A failure to proactively enforce applicable requirements which enables the complaint system to become weaponized. Non-intuitive, non-user friendly, and buggy reporting software. Failure to meaningfully enforce core requirements. Failure to follow the best operating practices of other neighboring campaign finance agencies. An agency leadership structure that largely disregards stakeholder input and is slow to identify and resolve major agency deficiencies.</p> <p>I believe that the best way to motivate the agency to address these problems is by filing a large number of complaints so that the agency's problems become impossible to ignore.</p> <p>Slowly (too slowly) this strategy is starting to yield concrete and beneficial changes. You can read about these changes here: https://www.seattletimes.com/seattle-news/politics/why-one-man-filed-800-campaign-finance-complaints-against-wa-candidates/</p> <p>If you believe that the agency could have done something different to help you proactively avoid the issues identified in this complaint, I hope that you will consider including it in your response. The agency, and the public, can benefit from your perspective and feedback.</p> <p>"Be the change that you wish to see in the world." — Mahatma Gandhi</p>
What impact does the alleged violation(s) have on the public?
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 candidates themselves.
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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**SUMMARY, FULL REPORT RECEIPTS
AND EXPENDITURES**

C4

King County Federation of Democratic Women (KCFDW)
King County Federation of Democratic Women -
4957 LAKEMONT BLVD SE C4-17
Bellevue, WA

Coverage: 07/01/2024 to 07/31/2024
Final report: No
Report number: 110236842
Reporting year: 2024
Date submitted: 08/08/2024

RECEIPTS

1. Previous total cash and in-kind contributions (last C4 line 8).		\$8,552.78
2. Cash received (Schedule A line 1).	\$7,114.00	
3. In-kind contributions received (Line 1 schedule B).	\$0.00	
4. Total cash and in-kind contributions received this period (Lines 2 + 3).		\$7,114.00
5. Loan principal repayments made (Line 2 schedule L).	\$0.00	
6. Corrections (Lines 1 or 3 schedule C).	(\$200.00)	
7. Net adjustments this period (Lines 5 + 6).		(\$200.00)
8. Total cash and in-kind contributions during campaign (Lines 1 + 4 + 7).		\$15,466.78
9. Total pledge payments due (Line 2 schedule B).	\$0.00	

EXPENDITURES

10. Previous total cash and in-kind expenditures (Last C-4 line 17).		\$4,212.50
11. Cash expenditures (Line 3 schedule A).	\$8,900.72	
12. In-kind expenditures (Line 1 schedule B).	\$0.00	
13. Total cash and in-kind expenditures made this period (Lines 11 + 12).		\$8,900.72
14. Loan principal repayment made (Line 2 schedule L).	\$0.00	
15. Corrections (Lines 2 + 3 schedule C).	(\$200.00)	
16. Net adjustments this period (Lines 14 + 15).		(\$200.00)
17. Total cash and in-kind expenditures during campaign (Lines 10 + 13 + 16).		\$12,913.22

CASH SUMMARY

18. Cash on hand (Lines 8 - 17)		\$2,553.56
Line 18 should equal your bank account balance(s) plus your petty cash balance.		
19. Liabilities: (Sum of loans and debts owed)		\$0.00
20. Balance (Lines 18 - 19)		\$2,553.56

I certify this report is true and complete to the best of my knowledge

Treasurer's name and date

Janice Bristol - 08/08/2024

Schedule A: Cash Receipts and Expenditure Detail

1. CONTRIBUTIONS AND OTHER CASH RECEIPTS REPORTED ON THE C3:

Deposit date	Amount	Deposit date	Amount	Deposit date	Amount
07/01/2024	\$600.00	07/07/2024	\$225.00	07/15/2024	\$100.00
07/02/2024	\$100.00	07/09/2024	\$1,050.00	07/29/2024	\$154.00
07/03/2024	\$100.00	07/10/2024	\$400.00	07/12/2024	\$50.00
07/04/2024	\$300.00	07/11/2024	\$3,260.00	07/12/2024	\$100.00
07/05/2024	\$200.00	07/14/2024	\$375.00	07/12/2024	\$100.00

2. TOTAL CASH RECEIPTS (LINE 2 OF C4): \$7,114.00

3. EXPENDITURES (CASH AND CREDIT TRANSACTION DETAIL):

Date paid	Vendor or recipient (Name and address)	Purpose of expense and/or description	Cash
N/A	Expenses	Non-itemized expenditures	\$296.94
07/11/2024	Melissa Demyan 22741 NE 91st Way , Redmond, WA 98053	Contribution Refunds: Refunded Contribution	\$100.00
07/11/2024	Mercer Island Community Center 8236 Southeast 24th Street , Mercer Island, WA 98040	Fundraising events and related costs: KCFDW GOTV Fundraiser	\$1,224.00
07/11/2024	Tana Senn 8426 SE 47th Street , Mercer Island, WA 98040	Contribution Refunds: Refunded Contribution	\$100.00
07/12/2024	Tanoor Lebanese Grill 989 112th Avenue Northeast , Bellevue, WA 98004	Fundraising events and related costs: Fundraising event - food	\$1,556.62
07/19/2024	Overnight Printing 2412 1st Ave S , Seattle, WA 98134	Postage costs, mail permits, purchase of stamps: Subvendor: Overnight Printing-Postage 1388 LD5 Primary Election GOTV postcards	\$520.00
07/19/2024	Overnight Printing 2412 1st Ave S , Seattle, WA 98134	Postage costs, mail permits, purchase of stamps: Subvendor: Overnight Printing-Postage 1558 LD41 Primary Election GOTV postcards	\$580.00
07/19/2024	Overnight Printing 2412 1st Ave S , Seattle, WA 98134	Postage costs, mail permits, purchase of stamps: Subvendor: Overnight Printing-Postage 1473 LD12 Primary Election GOTV postcards	\$550.00
07/19/2024	Overnight Printing 2412 1st Ave S , Seattle, WA 98134	Postage costs, mail permits, purchase of stamps: Subvendor: Overnight Printing-Postage 1530 LD45 Primary Election GOTV postcards	\$570.00
07/19/2024	Overnight Printing 2412 1st Ave S , Seattle, WA 98134	Printing literature, fliers, postcards, etc. : Subvendor: Overnight Printing-Printing 1388 - LD5 Primary Election GOTV postcards	\$810.69
			\$8,900.72

Date paid	Vendor or recipient (Name and address)	Purpose of expense and/or description	Cash
07/19/2024	Overnight Printing 2412 1st Ave S , Seattle, WA 98134	Printing literature, fliers, postcards, etc. : Subvendor: Overnight Printing-Printing 1558 - LD41 Primary Election GOTV postcards	\$878.94
07/19/2024	Overnight Printing 2412 1st Ave S , Seattle, WA 98134	Printing literature, fliers, postcards, etc. : Subvendor: Overnight Printing-Printing 1473 - LD12 Primary Election GOTV postcards	\$845.64
07/19/2024	Overnight Printing 2412 1st Ave S , Seattle, WA 98134	Printing literature, fliers, postcards, etc. : Subvendor: Overnight Printing-Printing 1530 - LD45 Primary Election GOTV postcards	\$867.89

\$8,900.72

4. TOTAL EXPENDITURES:

\$8,900.72

Schedule C: Corrections

3. CONTRIBUTIONS AND RECEIPTS

Date Reported	Contributor	Description	Amount Reported	Corrected Amount	Difference
07/11/2024	Melissa Demyan 22741 NE 91st Way , Redmond, WA 98053	Refunded Contribution	\$0.00	\$100.00	(\$100.00)
07/11/2024	Tana Senn 8426 SE 47th Street , Mercer Island, WA 98040	Refunded Contribution	\$0.00	\$100.00	(\$100.00)

2. EXPENDITURES

Date of Report	Vendor	Description	Amount Reported	Corrected Amount	Difference
07/11/2024	Melissa Demyan 22741 NE 91st Way , Redmond, WA 98053	Refunded Contribution	\$100.00	\$0.00	(\$100.00)
07/11/2024	Tana Senn 8426 SE 47th Street , Mercer Island, WA 98040	Refunded Contribution	\$100.00	\$0.00	(\$100.00)

3. REFUNDS FROM VENDORS

No Refunds to vendors reported this period