

Respondent Name

Douglas Orr

Complainant Name

Conner Edwards

Complaint Description

[Conner Edwards](#) reported via the portal

(Mon, 19 Aug 2024 at 4:15 PM)

Description of Complaint

On this candidate's C4 covering June '23 (<https://apollo.pdc.wa.gov/public/registrations/campaign-finance-report/110191590>) the committee indicated a negative Cash on Hand balance of -\$2,709.54.

This suggests that the committee has failed to properly disclose/report expenditures or contributions.

Additionally, the committee failed to timely file its 21-day C4 and 7-day C4, see link: <https://apollo.pdc.wa.gov/public/registrations/campaign-finance-report/110191600> . These reports were only disclosed after the election was over.

Additionally, for a disclosed in-kind contribution for \$700 worth of T-Shirts, the campaign failed to disclose the quantity of t-shirts and the name of the subvendor who produced the t-shirts. I understand staff believe this information is required. See link: <https://apollo.pdc.wa.gov/public/registrations/campaign-finance-report/110191600>

Notice to Respondent

I apologize to you for any inconvenience caused by this complaint.

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.

What are these shortcomings?

Overcomplicated and outdated requirements that are difficult to understand and comply with.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.

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.

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/>

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.

“Be the change that you wish to see in the world.”

— Mahatma Gandhi

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.

Douglas C Orr

Candidate for MAYOR for CITY OF ABERDEEN in the 2023 election.

Overview

Contributions

Expenditures

Pledges

Debts

Loans

Independent Expenditures

Candidate Overview

Registered May 21, 2023

📍 200 West Market St Aberdeen, 98520

✉ orr4mayor@gmail.com

Candidacy Status

- ↳ Candidate registered (5/21/2023)
- ↳ Candidate declared (5/15/2023)
- ↳ Qualified for general
- ↳ Won in general

Financial Overview

\$0.00	+	\$10,855.68	+	\$0.00	=	\$10,855.68
Starting balance		Contributions		Loans		Total raised

\$11,205.50		\$0.00		\$0.00
Total spent		Pledges		Debt

\$0.00		\$0.00
Independent expenditures for		Independent expenditures against

Candidate Reports and Forms

[Registration Form](#)

[Financial Affairs Report](#)

[Surplus Funds Account](#)

[Contributors and Vendors Map](#)

Made to candidate for 2023

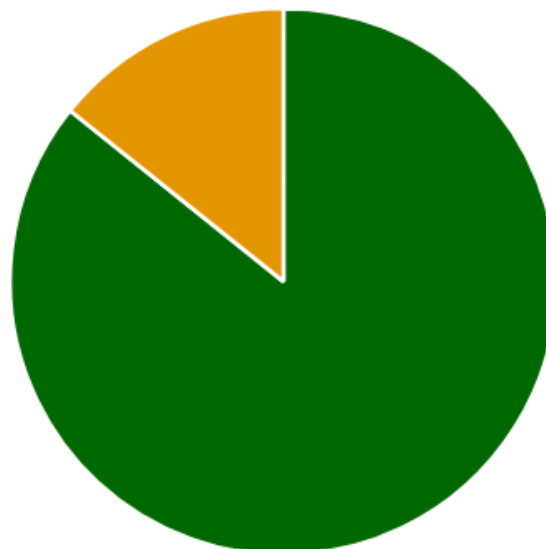
Contributions

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

Contributions made to candidate for 2023

Individual
\$9,308.68

Other
\$1,547.00



Made by candidate for 2023

Expenditures

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

Expenditures made by candidate for 2023

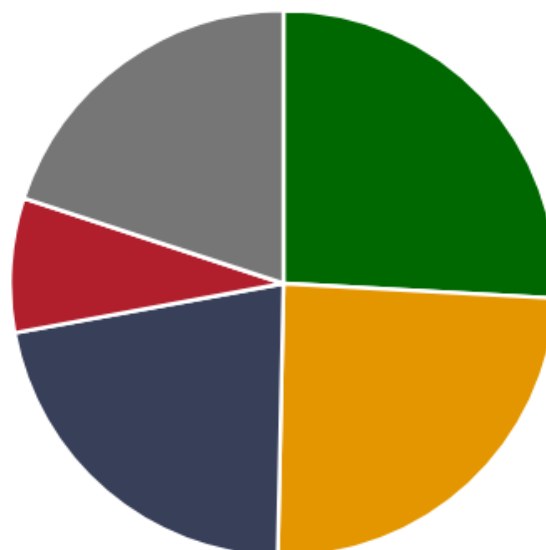
Printing literature, fliers,...
\$2,898.48

Postage costs, mail permits,...
\$2,741.93

Printing campaign signs
\$2,440.13

Office supplies, furniture,...
\$890.86

Miscellaneous
\$2,234.10



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Candidate	↕ Contributions ▼	Expenditures ↕
<u>Douglas C Orr</u> *	\$10,855.68	\$11,205.50
<u>Debi Pieraccini (Debi Ann Pieraccini)</u> *	\$0.00	\$0.00
<u>Dee Anne Shaw</u> *	\$0.00	\$0.00

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Spending for and against this candidate

Independent Expenditures

Independent expenditures are made by third parties that are not part of a candidate’s campaign.

No independent expenditures reported.

Incurred by candidate

Debts

This information shows the debt for the campaign as of the submission date of the related report.

Outstanding debt for campaign is \$0.00

Campaign Finance Reports

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

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10/21/2023 - 10/21/2023	110182848	10/23/2023	View Report	C3	2023
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08/28/2023 - 08/28/2023	110168713 Amended by: 110168719	08/28/2023	View Report	C3	2023
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07/29/2023 - 07/29/2023	110168002	08/23/2023	View Report	C3	2023

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07/01/2023 - 12/31/2023	110191600	12/08/2023	View Report	C4	2023
06/01/2023 - 06/30/2023	110158246 Amended by: 110191588	07/10/2023	View Report	C4	2023
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