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## PRESS ADVISORY

The New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission (ELEC) has approved \$1.1 million in public matching funds for the two major party candidates in the 2021 gubernatorial general election.

Over \$19.6 million has been distributed to the two candidates since the general election began. That is 93 percent of the \$21 million in public funds available for the election. The election is November 2.

With his latest disbursement, Democratic Governor and candidate Phil Murphy has received \$10.5 million, the maximum available to each qualifying candidate for the general election.

Candidate	Disbursements		Percent Of Available Funds	Party
	Today	Cumulative		
Ciattarelli, Jack	\$ 804,689	\$ 9,101,453	87%	Republican
Murphy, Phil	\$ 260,723	\$10,500,000	100%	Democrat
Totals	\$1,065,412	\$19,601,453	93%	

## Disbursements of Public Funds to 2021 Gubernatorial General Election Candidates

Under the Gubernatorial Public Financing program, which began in 1974, candidates who raise \$490,000 or more can qualify for public matching funds. General election candidates are eligible for up to \$10.5 million in public funds. In exchange, other than a few exceptions, they must limit their total general election spending to \$15.6 million.

Limit/Threshold	Amount	
Contribution Limit	\$ 4,900	
Qualification Threshold	\$ 490,000	
Amount Not Matched	\$ 156,000	
Primary Public Fund Cap	\$ 4,600,000	
Primary Expenditure Limit	\$ 7,300,000	
General Public Fund Cap	\$10,500,000	
General Expenditure Limit	\$15,600,000	

## 2021 Gubernatorial Finance Limits/Thresholds

For more details about the program, go to: <u>http://www.elec.state.nj.us/publicinformation/gub\_man.htm</u>.

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