



## American Express Company Semi-Annual Political Contributions Report July-December 2015

American Express participates in the political process through the American Express Company Political Action Committee (AXP PAC) and through corporate political contributions in those jurisdictions where it is permissible to do so. AXP PAC is supported entirely through voluntary contributions from those who are eligible. We do not spend corporate funds directly on electioneering communications, and our PAC does not contribute to presidential campaigns.

In this report, which is updated semi-annually and posted on our company website, we provide information about all political contributions made through our PAC or with corporate funds to political candidates, parties and committees. We also disclose contributions to other political entities organized and operating under 26 U.S.C. Sec. 527 of the Internal Revenue Code; independent political expenditures; dues used for political purposes by trade associations that respond to our request, entities organized under section 501(c) 4 of the Code, and other tax exempt organizations (that receive in excess of \$50,000 during the calendar year from the Company); and payments made to influence the outcome of ballot measures as defined under Subsection 162(e)(1)(B) of the Code. In addition, we include a list of principal U.S. trade and industry associations to which we have paid annual dues of \$50,000 or more in the most recent fiscal year and the portion of our dues or payments made that are used for lobbying purposes under section 162(e) of the Internal Revenue Code. For more information about our Company and its Political Activity Policy, please visit <http://about.americanexpress.com/news/pap.aspx>.

### American Express Company Political Action Committee Contributions (July-December 2015)

Candidate / Committee Name	Amount	District	Election	Office	State	Party
AXPAC - Sean Duffy (R-WI)	\$2,500.00		N/A 2015	Federal Leadership PAC	WI	REP
Ayotte, Kelly	\$1,000.00		Prim 2016	U.S. Senate	NH	REP
Bass, Karen	\$1,000.00	37	Prim 2016	U.S. House	CA	DEM
Boustany, Charles	\$2,500.00	3	Prim 2016	U.S. House	LA	REP
Chabot, Steve	\$2,500.00	1	Prim 2016	U.S. House	OH	REP
Chaffetz, Jason	\$2,500.00	3	Conv 2016	U.S. House	UT	REP
Collins, Chris	\$1,000.00	27	Prim 2016	U.S. House	NY	REP
Crapo, Michael	\$3,000.00		Prim/Gen 2016	U.S. Senate	ID	REP
Crenshaw, Ander	\$2,000.00	4	Prim 2016	U.S. House	FL	REP
Crowley, Joseph	\$3,500.00	14	Prim 2016	U.S. House	NY	DEM
Deutch, Theodore	\$1,000.00	21	Prim 2016	U.S. House	FL	DEM



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Dold, Robert	\$1,000.00	10	Prim 2016	U.S. House	IL	REP
Emmer, Tom	\$2,500.00	6	Prim 2016	U.S. House	MN	REP
Eye of the Tiger PAC - Steve Scalise (R-LA)	\$2,500.00		N/A 2015	Federal Leadership PAC	LA	REP
Freedom Project - John Boehner (R-OH)	\$5,000.00		N/A 2015	Federal Leadership PAC	OH	REP
GOAL PAC - Sander Levin (D-MI)	\$5,000.00		N/A 2015	Federal Leadership PAC	MI	DEM
Guthrie, Brett	\$1,500.00	2	Prim 2016	U.S. House	KY	REP
Heitkamp, Heidi	\$2,500.00		Prim 2018	U.S. Senate	ND	DEM
Hensarling, Jeb	\$2,500.00	5	Prim 2016	U.S. House	TX	REP
Hill, French	\$2,500.00	2	Prim 2016	U.S. House	AR	REP
Hultgren, Randy	\$1,000.00	14	Prim 2016	U.S. House	IL	REP
IMPACT - Chuck Schumer (D-NY)	\$5,000.00		N/A 2015	Federal Leadership PAC	NY	DEM
Issa, Darrell	\$1,000.00	49	Prim 2016	U.S. House	CA	REP
Jeffries, Hakeem	\$1,000.00	8	Prim 2016	U.S. House	NY	DEM
Jenkins, Lynn	\$1,000.00	2	Prim 2016	U.S. House	KS	REP
Johnson, Ronald	\$1,000.00		Prim 2016	U.S. Senate	WI	REP
Kirk, Mark	\$1,000.00		Prim 2016	U.S. Senate	IL	REP
Lee, Michael	\$1,500.00		Conv 2016	U.S. Senate	UT	REP
Liberty Project-Randy Neugebauer (R-TX)	\$2,500.00		N/A 2015	Federal Leadership PAC	TX	REP
Lucas, Frank	\$1,000.00	3	Prim 2016	U.S. House	OK	REP
Luetkemeyer, Blaine	\$2,500.00	3	Prim 2016	U.S. House	MO	REP
Maloney, Carolyn	\$2,500.00	12	Prim 2016	U.S. House	NY	DEM
Manchin, Joseph	\$1,000.00		Prim 2018	U.S. Senate	WV	DEM
Marino, Thomas	\$1,000.00	10	Prim 2016	U.S. House	PA	REP
McCain, John	\$1,000.00		Prim 2016	U.S. Senate	AZ	REP
McPAC - Patrick McHenry (R-NC)	\$2,500.00		N/A 2015	Federal Leadership PAC	NC	REP
Meehan, Pat	\$1,000.00	7	Prim 2016	U.S. House	PA	REP
Moran, Jerry	\$3,500.00		Prim/Gen 2016	U.S. Senate	KS	REP
Murray, Patty	\$2,500.00		Prim 2016	U.S. Senate	WA	DEM
New Pioneers PAC - Greg Walden (R-OR)	\$5,000.00		N/A 2015	Federal Leadership PAC	OR	REP



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Nunes, Devin	\$2,500.00	22	Prim 2016	U.S. House	CA	REP
Olson, Pete	\$1,000.00	22	Prim 2016	U.S. House	TX	REP
Pittenger, Robert	\$3,500.00	9	Prim 2016	U.S. House	NC	REP
Poliquin, Bruce	\$1,000.00	2	Prim 2016	U.S. House	ME	REP
Pompeo, Michael	\$1,000.00	4	Prim 2016	U.S. House	KS	REP
Portman, Rob	\$3,500.00		Prim/Gen 2016	U.S. Senate	OH	REP
Price, Tom	\$1,000.00	6	Prim 2016	U.S. House	GA	REP
Ratcliffe, John	\$2,000.00	4	Prim 2016	U.S. House	TX	REP
Rock City PAC - Bob Corker (R-TN)	\$1,000.00		N/A 2015	Federal Leadership PAC	TN	REP
SASSE PAC - Ben Sasse (R-NE)	\$1,000.00		N/A 2015	Federal Leadership PAC	NE	REP
Scott, Tim	\$3,500.00		Prim 2016	U.S. Senate	SC	REP
Shimkus, John	\$2,000.00	15	Prim 2016	U.S. House	IL	REP
Smith, Adrian	\$1,000.00	3	Prim 2016	U.S. House	NE	REP
Smith, Jason	\$2,500.00	8	Prim 2016	U.S. House	MO	REP
Smith, Lamar	\$2,500.00	21	Prim 2016	U.S. House	TX	REP
Stewart, Chris	\$1,000.00	2	Conv 2016	U.S. House	UT	REP
Tester, Jon	\$2,000.00		Prim 2018	U.S. Senate	MT	DEM
Tillis, Thom	\$1,000.00		Debt Ret Gen 2014	U.S. Senate	NC	REP
Upton, Frederick	\$2,500.00	6	Prim 2016	U.S. House	MI	REP
Yoder, Kevin	\$1,000.00	3	Prim 2016	U.S. House	KS	REP



### American Express Company Corporate Contributions (July-December 2015)

Candidate / Committee Name	Amount	District	Election	Office	State	Party
Democratic Governors Association	\$10,000.00		General 2015	Governors	US	DEM
Florida Democratic Party	\$2,500.00		General 2015	State Candidates	FL	DEM
Florida Republican Senatorial Campaign	\$5,000.00		General 2015	Senate	FL	REP
Heastie, Carl	\$1,000.00	83	General 2015	Speaker	NY	DEM
Herbert, Gary	\$5,000.00		General 2015	Governor	UT	REP
Morelle, Joseph	\$500.00	136	General 2015	Assembly	NY	DEM
NYS Senate Republican Campaign Housekeeping	\$5,000.00		General 2015	Senate	NY	REP
Republican Attorneys General Association	\$10,000.00		General 2015	Attorneys General	US	REP
Republican Governors Association	\$5,000.00		General 2015	Governors	US	REP
Republican Party of Florida	\$5,000.00		General 2015	State Candidates	FL	REP
Utah Democratic Party	\$4,000.00		General 2015	State Candidates	UT	DEM

**Independent Political Expenditures = \$0**

**Payments made to influence the outcome of ballot measures = \$0**



## American Express Company Trade Associations and Memberships

Trade and industry associations offer a variety of benefits including monitoring industry policies and trends, providing industry and market expertise, and advancing the Company's public policy interests. Some of these associations engage in lobbying on behalf of their members. American Express provides to the trade and industry associations our view on public policy issues. However, we recognize that Company participation in trade and industry associations does not mean that the Company agrees with every position a trade or industry association takes on an issue. The Company evaluates its memberships in trade associations to ensure that they serve the long-term interests of the Company.

We request information regarding political contributions from those trade associations, entities organized under section 501(c) 4 of the Code, and other tax exempt organizations of which we are a member that engage in non-deductible lobbying and political expenditures under Code section 162(e). We request that any organization that has received more than \$50,000 from us in any calendar year identify the portion of our payments used, if any, in connection with participation or intervention in a political campaign on behalf of (or in opposition to) any ballot initiative or candidate for public office, as defined under Subsection 162(e)(1)(B) of the Code. We include any amounts reported to us as used for such purposes in this political contributions report.

In 2015, of the five trade associations that replied to the request, no dues payments were used in connection with participation or intervention in a political campaign on behalf of (or in opposition to) any ballot initiative or candidate for public office, as defined under Subsection 162(e)(1)(B) of the Code.

We will reach out to trade associations in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2016.

Each trade and industry association is required to identify the portion of dues or payments made that are used for lobbying purposes (and thus non-deductible lobbying expenditures under section 162(e) of the Internal Revenue Code). A list of the principal U.S. trade and industry associations to which we paid annual dues of \$50,000 or more in the year ended December 31, 2015, and that portion of our dues that they have reported to us is provided below.

Trade or Industry Association	Lobbying Amount <sup>(1)</sup>
American Bankers Association	\$203,000.00
California Bankers Association	\$14,069.11
Consumer Bankers Association	\$71,250.00
Direct Marketing Association	\$12,000.00



Partnership for New York City, Inc.	\$500.00
The Business Roundtable	\$129,558.00
U.S. Chamber of Commerce	\$35,000.00
Center for Capital Markets Competitiveness (2014-2015)	\$60,000.00
Center for Capital Markets Competitiveness (2015-2016)	\$52,500.00
U.S. Chamber Institute for Legal Reform	\$68,750.00
U.S. Chamber Litigation Center	\$0.00

(1) Does not include payment for marketing, sponsorships, subscriptions or other events.