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Texas' Top Individual Donors in 2004¹

- During the 2004 election cycle, individuals contributed a total of \$128 million to Texas state political committees and candidates for state offices.
- Sixty-nine of these individual donors contributed more that \$100,000 apiece during the 2004 cycle. Together these 69 donors contributed a total of \$26 million, or 20 percent of all individual political contributions.
- Seven mega-donors contributed more than \$500,000 apiece in the 2004 cycle. These donors collectively contributed \$12.8 million, or 10 percent of all individual contributions.
- Capping individual contributions at a maximum of \$100,000 would have eliminated \$19.1 million in contributions from the 2004 cycle.

Individual Contributors of More Than \$100,000 In Texas' 2004 Election Cycle

Rank	Amount	Donor	City	Company	Industry
1	\$4,640,000 E	Bob & Doylene Perry	Houston	Perry Homes	Construction
2	\$4,544,000	Antonio Sanchez Jr. ²	Laredo	Sanchez-O'Brien Oil & Gas	Energy
3	\$1,311,142	James R. Leininger	San Antonio	Kinetic Concepts, Inc.	Health
4	\$668,792 F	Robert C. McNair Jr.	Houston	Cogen Technologies	Energy
5	\$636,500	Γ. Boone Pickens Jr.	Dallas	BP Capital	Energy
6	\$507,327 H	Harlan R. Crow	Dallas	Crow Holdings	Real Estate
7	\$504,696 F	Richard W. Weekley	Houston	Weekley Properties	Real Estate

¹ Based on preliminary analysis of all campaign contributions filed electronically with the Texas Ethics Commission for the period January 1, 2003 through December 31, 2004.

² Most of Sanchez's money paid back personal loans that he made to his own 2002 gubernatorial campaign.

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8	\$473,295 Lonnie 'Bo' Pilgrim	Pittsburg	Pilgrim's Pride Corp.	Agriculture
9	\$461,750 Harold Simmons	Dallas	Contran Corp; Valhi Corp.	Finance
10	\$429,008 Russell 'Rusty' Kelley	Austin	Rusty Kelley & Assoc.	Lawyers/Lobbyists
11	\$421,300 Joseph D. Jamail	Houston	Jamail & Kolius	Lawyers/Lobbyists
12	\$400,335 Louis Beecherl Jr.	Dallas	Beecherl Investments	Energy
13	\$395,000 Geoffrey Raynor	Fort Worth	Q Funding	Finance
14	\$371,368 George Ryan	Dallas	Ryan & Co.	Finance
15	\$346,000 Charles C. Butt	San Antonio	H.E.B. Grocery	Miscellaneous
16	\$333,376 John Eddie Williams	Houston	Williams Bailey Law Firm	Lawyers/Lobbyists
17	\$319,000 John M. O' Quinn	Houston	O'Quinn Laminack & Pirtle LLP	Lawyers/Lobbyists
18	\$315,150 Mikal C. Watts	Corpus	Mikal C. Watts PC	Lawyers/Lobbyists
19	\$295,378 John L. Nau III	Houston	Silver Eagle Distributors L.P.	Miscellaneous
20	\$276,390 Gilbert T. Adams Jr.	Beaumont	Law Office of Gilbert Adams PC	•
21	\$275,697 James Dannenbaum	Houston	Dannenbaum Engineering	Construction
22	\$265,100 Peter O'Donnell Jr.	Dallas	First National Bank	Finance
23	\$263,050 John V. Lattimore III	McKinney	Lattimore Materials	Construction
24	\$248,350 David Alameel	Dallas	Jefferson Dental Clinic	Health
25	\$247,900 Michael Stevens	Houston	Michael Stevens Interests	Real Estate
26	\$236,500 James D. Pitcock Jr.	Sugarland	Williams Brothers Construction	Construction
27	\$228,500 Albert D. Huddleston	Dallas	Hyperion Resources	Energy
28	\$221,500 Thomas Dan Friedkin	Houston	Gulf States Auto Group	Transportation
29	\$221,250 Charles E. Hurwitz	Houston	MAXXAM, Inc	Finance
30	\$218,750 James A. Elkins Jr.	Houston	First City National Bank	Finance
31	\$217,647 Charles & Judy Tate	Houston	Hicks Muse Tate & Furst	Finance
32	\$196,000 Alice L. Walton	Mineral Wells	Wal-Mart	Miscellaneous
33	\$191,121 Rob't/Gordon Johnson	Austin	Johnson & Johnson	Lawyers/Lobbyists
34	\$189,700 Bobby & Leona Cox	Fort Worth	Bobby Cox Companies Inc.	Miscellaneous
35	\$188,250 Dian Graves Stai	Abilene	Owen Healthcare, Inc.	Health
36	\$187,118 Kent R. Hance	Austin	Hance Scarborough Wright	Lawyers/Lobbyists
37	\$186,500 Kenny & Lisa Troutt	Dallas	Excel Communications	Communications
38	\$186,000 Barkley J. Stuart	Dallas	Glazer's Distributors	Miscellaneous
39	\$181,000 Ralph & Joy Ellis Jr.	Irving	Belmont Oil & Gas	Energy
40	\$176,510 Michael B. Boylan	Houston	Houston Property Mgt Corp.	Real Estate
41	\$173,174 Ned S. Holmes	Houston	Parkway Investments/Texas	Real Estate
42	\$171,683 Donald Henley	Dallas	Eagles rock band	Miscellaneous
43	\$166,891 Charles J. Wyly Jr.	Dallas	Maverick Capital	Finance
44	\$165,262 Robert Rowling	Irving	TRT Holdings, Inc.	Energy
45	\$164,662 H.B. 'Bartel' Zachary	San Antonio	Zachry Construction Corp.	Construction
46	\$162,500 Allan Polunsky	San Antonio	Polunsky & Beitel	Lawyers/Lobbyists
47	\$160,116 B.J. 'Red' McCombs	San Antonio	Red McCombs Enterprises	Transportation
48	\$158,618 James Trester	Plano	Ryan & Co.	Finance
49	\$157,629 Lowry & Peggy Mays	San Antonio	Clear Channel Communications	Communications
50	\$157,000 Kenneth P. Banks	Schulenburg	International Muffler Co.	Transportation
51	\$157,000 Mauricio R. Celis	Corpus	Self-Employed	Lawyers/Lobbyists
52	\$154,530 Cary Patterson	Texarkana	Nix Patterson & Roach	Lawyers/Lobbyists
53	\$153,500 Ray L. Hunt	Dallas	Hunt Oil Co.	Energy
54	\$153,382 Alan W. Dreeben	San Antonio	Block Distributing	Miscellaneous
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55	\$150,850 Erle A. Nye	Dallas	TXU Corp.	Energy
56	\$141,750 Dan L. Duncan	Houston	Enterprise Products	Energy
57	\$141,500 Randall G. Goss	Dallas	US Risk	Insurance
58	\$136,895 Drayton McLane Jr.	Temple	McLane Group	Miscellaneous
59	\$135,652 Sam Wyly	Dallas	Maverick Capital	Finance
60	\$128,820 Don L. Sparks	Midland	Discovery Operating, Inc.	Energy
61	\$123,696 Gerald Ridgely	Dallas	Ryan & Co.	Finance
62	\$118,574 H. Ross Perot Jr./Sr.	Plano	Perot Systems; Hillwood	Computers/Real Estate
63	\$115,601 Benjamin Streusand	Spring	Home Loan Corp.	Finance
64	\$112,060 Pat Maloney Jr./Sr.	San Antonio	Law Offices of Pat Maloney	Lawyers/Lobbyists
65	\$111,200 Robert Girling III	Austin	Girling Healthcare	Health
66	\$111,010 F. Kenneth Bailey Jr.	Houston	Williams Bailey Law Firm	Lawyers/Lobbyists
67	\$106,220 Glen Wayne Morgan	Beaumont	Reaud Morgan & Quinn	Lawyers/Lobbyists
68	\$103,739 Robert J. Schlegel	Dallas	Pavestone Co.	Miscellaneous
69	\$103,401 Charles B. Lawrence	Houston	Kirby Corp.	Transportation
	\$26,073,165 TOTAL			