



Primary Campaign Contribution Guidelines

The following policy is designed as a guideline regarding requests for campaign contributions to candidates running for political office in a primary election. Because primary elections can have multiple candidates from the same party running for office, the selection process can be complicated. Clearly we run the risk of supporting a candidate who does not win the primary and the winner is unhappy with our support of his/her competition. Based on our past experience, the following guidelines will govern requests for contributions. This policy is in no way a reflection on the candidates, but rather a way to control our resources and avoid potential conflicts. The general election gives HUPAC an opportunity to contribute larger amounts to candidates whose views are consistent with NAHU's stated objectives.

Requests for contributions must meet HUPAC campaign contribution request guidelines. The following situations would still require approval of the HUPAC Board of Trustees.

1. a candidate running for political office, in a primary election, who is a current member of NAHU. This situation has presented itself in the past and HUPAC has made it clear that we will support our members efforts to serve as elected officials.
2. a sitting member of Congress running for re-election in a primary election.
3. a candidate who is running unopposed in a primary election*.
4. when there are multiple candidates, from the same party, running for office in a primary election and the request comes from a NAHU member, with support of a local or state president and the Regional HUPAC Chair, the HUPAC BOT will take these special circumstances in to account when voting on a contribution*.

*Requests for contributions under item number 3. and 4. will require the candidate complete the HUPAC Candidate Questionnaire.

As a clear reminder, all requests for campaign contributions in a primary election will require the approval of the HUPAC Board of Trustees.