

Effective November 4, 1998, the Vermont General Assembly created a public finance system for candidates for GOVERNOR and LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR ONLY. Vermont's campaign finance law can be found in Chapter 59 of Title 17 of the Vermont Statutes Annotated. The law was revised during the 2014 legislative session. Public finance statutes begin with Section 2981 of Chapter 59.

**Vermont Public Finance Grants
Summary of Candidates – 2000-2014**

2000 Election Cycle (1999-2000)

Candidate	Qualifying Contributions	# of Qualifying Contributors	Primary	General Election	Total received
Anthony Pollina (P) Candidate for Governor	\$38,762.20	1,621	\$36,198.80	\$225,000	\$229,961
Doug Racine (D) Candidate for LT. Governor (Incumbent)	\$21,977.25	888	\$63,022.75		\$85,000
Howard Dean (D) Candidate for Governor (Incumbent)	\$61,743.00	2,234	NA ¹	NA	NA

2002 Election Cycle (2001-2002)

NO CANDIDATES APPLIED FOR PUBLIC FINANCING DURING THE 2002 CYCLE

2004 Election Cycle (2003-2004)

Candidate	Qualifying contributions	# of Qualifying contributors	Primary	General Election	Total received
Steve Hingtgen (P) Candidate for LT. Governor	\$19,710.50	1,028	\$5,259.50	\$75,000	\$80,259.50

2006, 2008, 2010 & 2012 Election Cycles (2005-2006; 2007-2008; 2009-2010; 2011-2012)

NO CANDIDATES APPLIED FOR PUBLIC FINANCING DURING THE 2006, 2008, 2010 or 2012 ELECTION CYCLES

¹ In 2000, the first year that public financing took effect for races for governor and lieutenant governor, Howard Dean (then incumbent governor) qualified for public financing. After District Judge William Sessions's August 2000 court decision struck spending limits for candidates (except those accepting public financing), then-Governor Dean opted out of public financing due to the financial disadvantage in spending limits as interpreted by the court.

2014 Election Cycle (2013-2014)

Candidate	Qualifying contributions	# of Qualifying contributors	Primary	General Election	Total received
Dean Corren (P/D) Candidate for LT. Governor	\$19,283	862	\$30,717	\$150,000	\$180,717

D=Democrat, P=Progressive