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PRESS ADVISORY

The New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission (ELEC) has approved \$1,787,038 in public matching funds for the two major party candidates in the 2021 gubernatorial general election.

Almost \$17 million has been distributed to the two candidates since the general election began. That is 81% of the \$21 million in public funds available for the election. The election is November 2.

Disbursements of Public Funds to 2021 Gubernatorial General Election Candidates

Candidate	Disbursements		Percent Of Available Funds	Party
	Today	Cumulative		
Ciattarelli, Jack	\$ 1,146,092	\$ 7,430,577	71 %	Republican
Murphy, Phil	\$ 640,946	\$ 9,478,201	90 %	Democrat
Totals	\$1,787,038	\$16,908,778	81 %	

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.

2021 Gubernatorial Finance Limits/Thresholds

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

For more details about the program, go to: http://www.elec.state.nj.us/publicinformation/gub_man.htm.