

CAMPAIGN FINANCE AND ETHICS COMMISSION



**First Quarter Report
January - March 2023**

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Responsibility	Status
Ethics (AB 1234) Education Program	Due to the overwhelming positive feedback for the in-house AB1234 training, the program will be continued. Fewer training sessions will be offered during this odd numbered year as the number of people needing training will be significantly less. Our Office also worked with the Clerk of the Board to streamline communications to BCC members. Newly appointed members are now immediately sent directly to our website where they can view training options and in-house session dates.
Newly Elected and Appointed Official and Staff training program	Training for Andrew Hamilton (Auditor-Controller) and his staff has already taken place. Training for Supervisor Sarmiento and his staff is scheduled for the 2nd Quarter. Training will continue as needed for newly hired staff.
Campaign Disclosure Review /Audits	Audits for Form 700s will begin this year for BCC members in an effort to understand the need to emphasize gift ban training. Previous audits of elected official Form 700s showed excellent understanding of rules related to the Gift Ban.
Education Outreach	No education programs other than the AB1234 and elected official training programs were presented in the first quarter. However, an introduction of the Office to the League of Women’s Voters was scheduled for August.

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Project	Status
Lobbyist Registration	As of March 31st, active lobbyist registrations stood at 7. A total of \$4,025 was paid to the General Fund for these registrations and renewals. The Office has been giving warnings to lobbyists who provide late updates, and we will begin tracking those lobbyists.
Finance and Budget	Budget is stable as CEO Budget is supporting the additional funds needed to cover operating increases.
Complaint/Advice Program	No complaints within jurisdiction were logged but the advice program log is showing an average of two to three questions per week. These questions involve interpretations of facts and law and do not include simple items such as the current contribution limit.