This is a general overview of City and state laws that govern whether City officials may accept gifts from certain sources. Other restrictions or exceptions may apply, such as for travel or fundraisers. For additional guidance, please call the Ethics Commission at (213) 978-1960 or visit ethics.lacity.org.

### CAN I ACCEPT THIS GIFT?

Start here.

**Is the gift giver a registered lobbyist or lobbying firm that lobbies your agency?**

- **No**
  - **Is the gift giver a restricted source?**
    - **No**
      - You may accept a gift or combination of gifts that are cumulatively valued at up to $100 per calendar year from that gift giver. However, you may never solicit a gift from a restricted source. **Do you have to report the gifts?**
        - **Yes**
          - Yes, if the gift giver is a source of income described in your disclosure category in your agency’s conflict of interests code, you must report the gift on your Form 700. If you are a Form 60 filer, you will have to report the gift on your next filing.
        - **No**
          - You may accept the gift. Special rules may apply in certain situations. Please ask for advice. **Do you have to report the gift?**
            - **Yes**
              - Yes.
            - **No**
              - No.

- **Yes**
  - You may NOT accept a gift of any value from a lobbyist or lobbying firm. **Do you have to report the gifts?**
    - **Yes**
      - Yes, if the gift giver is a source of income described in your disclosure category in your agency’s conflict of interests code, you must report the gift on your Form 700. If you are a Form 60 filer, you will have to report the gift on your next filing.
    - **No**
      - You may accept a gift or combination of gifts that are cumulatively valued at up to $520 per calendar year from that gift giver. **Do you have to report the gifts?**
        - **Yes**
          - Yes.
        - **No**
          - No.

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**1** For elected officials, this applies to a lobbyist or lobbying firm that lobbies any City agency.

**2** For elected officials, this definition applies to any City agency.

**3** Gifts must be reported on your statement of economic interests if the total value of all the gifts you receive from a single disclosable source during the calendar year is at least $50. Exceptions may apply; please ask for advice.