

Press Release

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ETHICS COMMISSION LAUNCHES LOBBYING DASHBOARD

Today, the Ethics Commission launched a new data visualization tool to help the public view and research information about lobbying registrations, payments, and fundraising.

The *Lobbying Dashboard* summarizes 20 years of historical trends in lobbying data through interactives graphs and charts. Summary data may be viewed by quarter, by year, and by all years. In addition, specific registrations and quarterly reports may be viewed by clicking on the names of lobbying entities throughout the dashboard.

The dashboard has navigation tabs to help users move through the data.

- The “Overview” tab shows line graphs of lobbyist registrations, client payments, and lobbying fundraising over time.
- The “Registrations” tab provides a snapshot of current registration numbers and a bar chart showing the number of lobbyists and clients for each lobbying firm.
- The “Payments” tab identifies total client payments in the most recently reported quarter. It also provides two bar charts, one for total payments by lobbying firm and one for total payments by client.
- The “Fundraising” tab shows total fundraising by lobbying entities in the most recently reported quarter. It provides bar charts of total fundraising and total campaign contributions by lobbying entity. Users can also toggle to total fundraising and contributions by recipient.

The *Lobbying Dashboard* is online at ethics.lacity.org/lobbying/lobbying-dashboard. It is designed to help educate members of the public who are interested in learning more about lobbying activity in the City but may not know where to begin.

Data gleaned from the dashboard may be used to better inform deeper searches on the Ethics Commission's Public Data Portal (PDP). The PDP provides access to the same information as the dashboard, as well as additional search options, reports, and data. For more information about the *Lobbying Dashboard* or the *PDP*, please [contact us](#).

The Ethics Commission was created by Los Angeles voters in 1990 to impartially administer and enforce the City's governmental ethics, campaign financing, and lobbying laws.