

Report to the ACEP Council

The National Emergency Medicine Political Action Committee (NEMPAC)

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NEMPAC: Turning Emergency Medicine's Voice into Congressional Influence

For 46 years, NEMPAC has helped ensure that **emergency medicine has a seat at the table in Washington**. NEMPAC is the only national political action committee dedicated exclusively to advancing the bipartisan interests of emergency medicine and its patients in Congress.

In 1980, NEMPAC's founders set a goal of raising \$10,000 to help influence the debate over independent contractor status for emergency physicians. **Today, the stakes—and the scale of federal policy affecting emergency medicine—are dramatically larger.**

In 2026, NEMPAC is on track to raise more than \$1 million for the **tenth consecutive year**, while expanding its relationships with candidates, congressional leaders, and physician organizations across the political spectrum.

The NEMPAC story at a glance

46 YEARS representing emergency medicine in Washington
\$1.7M raised in 2026 Election Cycle*
\$1.48M invested in the 2026 cycle
24 physician candidates/incumbents directly supported
180 additional EM-supportive candidates
~600 candidate events attended
53.8% D / 46.2% R bipartisan giving
25+ YEARS of the Council Challenge
\$250K average annual Council contributions.

**NEMPAC carried over \$230,000 from the 2024 cycle*

These numbers represent more than fundraising. They represent relationships, access, and opportunities to educate Congress about emergency medicine.

Council Makes NEMPAC Possible

For more than 25 years, the **NEMPAC Council Challenge** has demonstrated the commitment of ACEP's elected leaders to political engagement.

Councilors collectively contribute approximately **\$250,000 to NEMPAC each year—more than one-quarter of the PAC's annual fundraising.**

That support does more than help fund political contributions. It sends a powerful message to Congress: **emergency medicine is organized, engaged, and prepared to advocate for its patients and physicians.**

This year, NEMPAC is once again challenging the Council to reach 100% participation.

How NEMPAC Is Building Influence for the 2026 Mid-term Elections

NEMPAC's strategy is straightforward: **support the people who can advance emergency medicine, build relationships before we need them, and ensure that emergency medicine has champions on both sides of the aisle.**

In 2026, NEMPAC is:

- **Supporting bipartisan champions** who understand and advance ACEP's legislative priorities.
 - **Investing in key committees**—including Ways and Means, Energy and Commerce, Finance and HELP—where decisions affecting emergency medicine are made.
 - **Connecting ACEP members with Congress** through fundraisers, meet-and-greets, district events and LAC activities.
 - **Building relationships with physician-focused PACs and organizations** to strengthen the physician voice in Congress.
 - **Expanding opportunities for ACEP members to engage directly with candidates and elected officials.**
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Nearly 600 Opportunities to Advocate for Emergency Medicine

As of September 2, ACEP staff and members have participated in **nearly 600 fundraisers and meet-and-greets** with candidates and incumbents during the 2026 election cycle.

Nearly **15% included ACEP members participating in person**, whether in their home districts, at LAC dine-arounds or through other opportunities in Washington.

And approximately **20% were hosted or co-hosted by NEMPAC** with other medical specialty organizations.

Every one of these events creates an opportunity to do something that a contribution alone cannot accomplish: **We put emergency physicians in the room and talk directly with candidates about the issues affecting our specialty and our patients.**

Strengthening the Physician Voice in Congress

NEMPAC has also expanded its partnerships with organizations working to elect physicians to Congress—on both sides of the political aisle.

- **House Call on the Mall:** NEMPAC co-hosted this event with the NRCC and physician specialty organizations, providing access to party and committee leaders and members of the GOP Doctors Caucus.
- **Democratic Doctors Caucus PAC:** NEMPAC was an inaugural donor to the newly established PAC supporting Democratic physicians running for and serving in Congress.
- **Healthcare Freedom SuperPAC:** NEMPAC is a founding/inaugural donor supporting Republican physician candidates.
- **Physician Voices United:** NEMPAC helped lead the creation and implementation of this effort supporting Democratic physician candidates, including ACEP member **Amish Shah, MD**, in Arizona.
- In 2026, joined and financially supported **Center Forward**, an organization that has been bringing policymakers, business and thought leaders, and administration officials from all sides of the political spectrum together to engage in honest and thoughtful dialogue about the most significant challenges facing our nation.

These partnerships extend NEMPAC's reach beyond individual contributions and help strengthen the overall physician presence in Congress.

How NEMPAC Selects Candidates

NEMPAC evaluates candidates and incumbents based on factors including:

- Support for ACEP's legislative and regulatory priorities
- Sponsorship and support of ACEP-backed legislation
- Congressional committee assignments and leadership positions
- Relationships with ACEP chapters, members, and leaders
- Competitiveness of the election
- The candidate's overall integrity, character, and commitment to democratic governance

NEMPAC-supported candidates are expected to demonstrate behavior consistent with **ACEP's mission, vision, and values**, including respect for science, evidence, and fact.

Support is continually reassessed throughout the election cycle as the congressional landscape and ACEP's priorities evolve.

The Bottom Line

NEMPAC's impact cannot be measured solely by the dollars contributed to candidates.

Its real value is the **relationships those dollars help create and the doors they open for emergency medicine.**

Over 46 years, NEMPAC has helped ACEP:

- Build bipartisan relationships in Congress
- Identify and develop champions for emergency medicine
- Educate new and returning members of Congress
- Put ACEP members directly in front of candidates and policymakers
- Increase the visibility and credibility of emergency medicine on Capitol Hill

And Council has been at the center of that effort for more than 25 years.

One Last Challenge for Council

NEMPAC has grown from a \$10,000 fundraising goal in 1980 to raising more than \$1 million annually today.

Now let's make 2026 the year Council completes the map.

Our goal: **100% participation in the NEMPAC Council Challenge.**

Because every contribution helps ensure that when Congress makes decisions affecting emergency medicine, **our specialty is in the room.**

Federal Expenditures by Election Year By Party

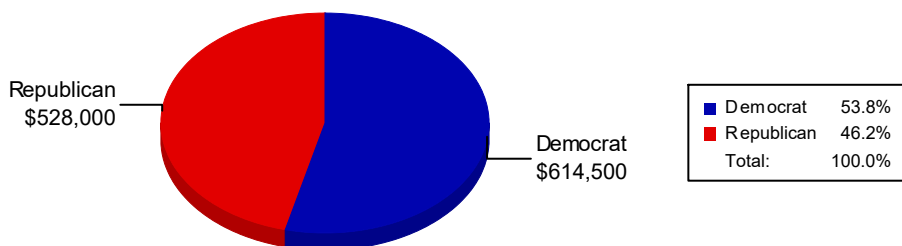
Leadership Committee Expenditures From 1/1/2025 to 9/2/2026

Candidate Committee Expenditures for election year: 2026

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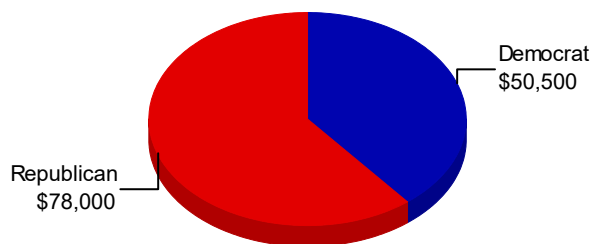
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Total Expenditures by Party

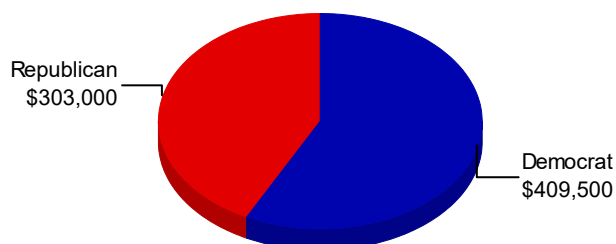


Expenditures by Chamber and Party

Federal Senate

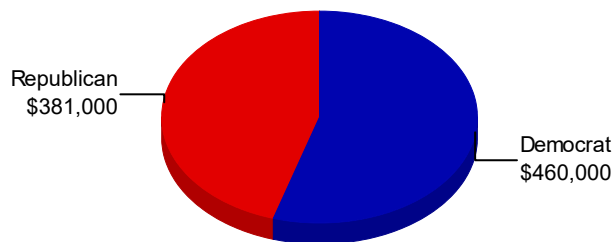


Federal House

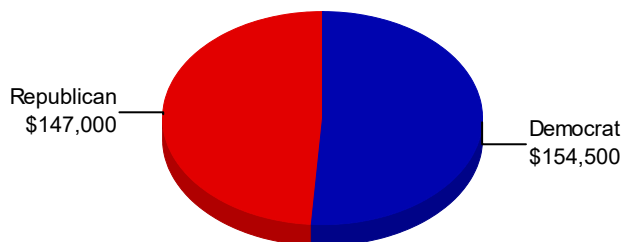


Expenditures by Committee Type and Party

Candidate Committees



Leadership Committees

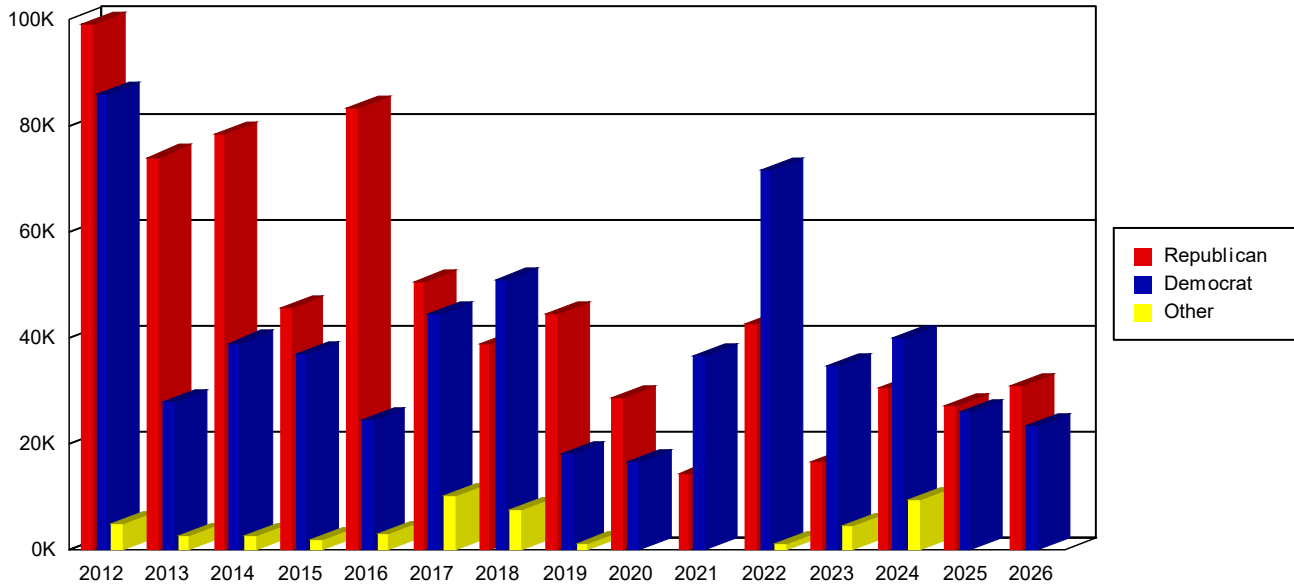


Expenditures by Chamber and Party -Trend

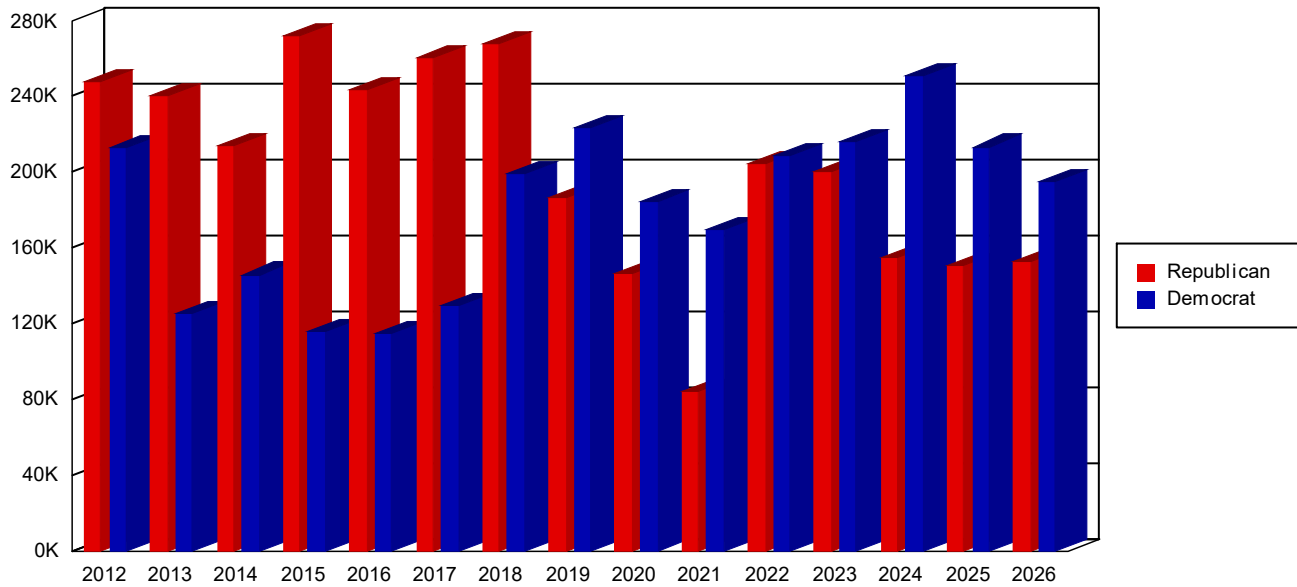
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