

WAC 390-16-037 Purpose of campaign expenditures—How to report.

(1) Any person required to report the "purpose" of an expenditure under RCW 42.17A.240(6), or 42.17A.255 (5)(b), must identify any candidate(s) or ballot proposition(s) that are supported or opposed by the expenditure as required to be filed under RCW 42.17A.205 (2)(f) and (g);

(2) Whenever an expenditure is made to a candidate or a political committee pursuant to an agreement or understanding of any kind regarding how the recipient will use the expenditure, the report must describe in detail that agreement or understanding and the goods and/or services to be provided.

Example A: If an expenditure is made directly to a vendor for get-out-the-vote (GOTV) phone calls or robocalls, the purpose must include the following details:

Vendor Name	Purpose	Amount
ABC Robocall	GOTV—phone bank 28th and 29th Legislative districts	\$1,000

Example B: If an expenditure is made directly to a vendor for printing, the purpose must include the following details:

Vendor Name	Purpose	Amount
ABC Printing	5,000 brochures	\$3,000

(3) Any expenditure using "synthetic media," as defined under RCW 42.62.020, in the creation or distribution of any political advertising or other expenditure, must identify:

(a) The name of the vendor that provided the software or other digital technology used to create the synthetic media;

(b) The commercial advertiser that sold the advertising, if any; and

(c) The description of any audience targeting information provided as a service for any digital communication by a digital communication platform, or other vendor.

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