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## Walker's Unprecedented Out-of-State Contributions Alarming

### *Enormous Concentration of Donations Include 187 Disclosure Violations*

Madison – The just-released campaign finance report for Gov. Scott Walker is not only awash in millions of dollars of out-of-state money, but also 187 new violations of campaign finance disclosure rules for failing to include employer information for more than \$41,000 in contributions.

“Scott Walker intends to win this election with huge donations from a nationwide cabal of corporate, anti-middle class extremists,” said Scot Ross, One Wisconsin Now Executive Director. “No state candidate in the history of Wisconsin has gotten so much money from such a small number of wealthy donors.”

Walker's report shows he amassed \$4.87 million in individual contributions, 49 percent of which, or \$2.39 million, came from out of state contributions. One Wisconsin Now analysis of his report shows:

- Massive concentration of high dollar donations: While Walker has more than 46,900 individual contributions, he raised \$2,247,688 from those giving mega-donations of \$1,000 and above. This top 1.3 percent of individual givers donated 46 percent of Walker's total itemized individual money. In fact, Walker has used the unlimited campaign finance restrictions on individual donations to amass \$1,210,000 from a mere 41 contributors. This means 25 percent of Walker's individual money came from 0.00087 percent of his donors.
- Massive amounts of out of state money: Walker not only took nearly 50 percent of his individual money from out of state, his top four donors totaling \$550,000, came from outside of Wisconsin. Of Walker's largest 655 contributions of \$1,000 and above, 53 percent of the money from these contributions, or \$1,196,600 is from outside of Wisconsin.
- Violations of reporting requirements: Walker failed to report employment information for \$41,644 in 187 contributions above \$100 in violation of campaign finance reporting laws. This does not include the unprecedented \$154,781 in “unitemized contributions,” which include no information. Walker previously was the subject of a Government Accountability Board complaint for failing to disclose the employment information for over \$500,000 in 1,100 contributions in violation of the law.  
<http://www.onewisconsinnow.org/press/walker-goes-over-500000-in-improperly-reported-contributions.html>

“As hundreds of thousands of Wisconsin men, women and children rose up against Walker's extremism, the governor and his right wing, pro-corporate lackeys labeled them ‘outside agitators,’” said Ross. “Walker's unprecedented out-of-Wisconsin cash grab should end that phony claim, once and for all.”

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