

2025-2026 CAMPAIGN FINANCE AND DISCLOSURES

GUIDANCE FOR POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS

Officeholders and candidates for county, city, or school offices are required to file campaign finance and statement of interests disclosure reports, as mandated by NDCC 16.1-08.1 and NDCC 16.1-09. A list of required reports that must be filed are included in this guide.

Campaign finance statements and statements of interests must be filed with the appropriate filing officer.

County Auditor - County Offices including Garrison Diversion Conservancy, Soil Conservation, SW Water Authority
City Auditor - City Offices
School Business Manager - School Board

FORMS

Campaign Disclosure Statement

County, City, or School Board Candidates (SFN 53970)

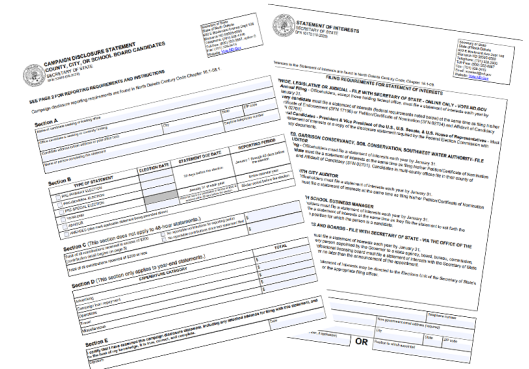
<http://www.nd.gov/eforms/Doc/sfn53970.pdf>



Statement of Interests

(SFN 10172)

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Information about campaign finance and statement of interests reporting can be found on the North Dakota Secretary of State website (<https://www.sos.nd.gov/elections/campaign-finance-and-disclosures>)



REQUIRED REPORTS AND DEADLINES

If you fail to file a campaign finance report or statement of interests report by the deadline, a late fee may be owed (NDCC 16.1-08.1 and 16.1-09).

<i>Report</i>	<i>Applies To</i>	<i>Period Covered</i>	<i>Who Must File</i>	<i>Filing Dates</i>
2025 Campaign Finance Year End	County, City (population greater than 5,000), School (district enrollment of greater than 1,000)	January 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025	Officeholders & anyone who receives contributions, makes expenditures for political purposes, or has a balance in campaign finance account	January 1, 2026 – January 31, 2026
2025 Statement of Interests Year End	County, City, School	January 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025	Officeholders	January 1, 2026 – January 31, 2026
2026 Statement of Interests Candidate Filing	County, City, School	Interests as of filing date	Every candidate must file a Statement of Interests at the same time they file other required filings declaring candidacy	By 4:00 p.m., April 6, 2026
2026 Campaign Finance Pre-Primary	County, City (population greater than 5,000), School (district enrollment of greater than 1,000)	January 1, 2026 – May 2, 2026	Candidates running for office	May 1, 2026 – May 8, 2026
2026 Campaign Finance Pre-General	County	January 1, 2026 – September 26, 2026	Candidates running for office	September 25, 2026 – October 2, 2026
Campaign Finance 48-Hour (if applicable)	County, City (population greater than 5,000), School (district enrollment of greater than 1,000)	Only filed if a contribution is received in excess of \$500 between 39 days and the day before the election	Candidates running for office	Must be filed within 48 hours of receiving contribution
2026 Campaign Finance Year End	County, City (population greater than 5,000), School (district enrollment of greater than 1,000)	January 1, 2026 – December 31, 2026	Officeholders & anyone who receives contributions, makes expenditures for political purposes, or has a balance in campaign finance account	January 1, 2027 – January 31, 2027
2026 Statement of Interests Year End	County, City, School	January 1, 2026 – December 31, 2026	Officeholders	January 1, 2027 – January 31, 2027

For questions or assistance, contact the North Dakota Secretary of State Elections team by email at soselect@nd.gov or call 701-328-4146.