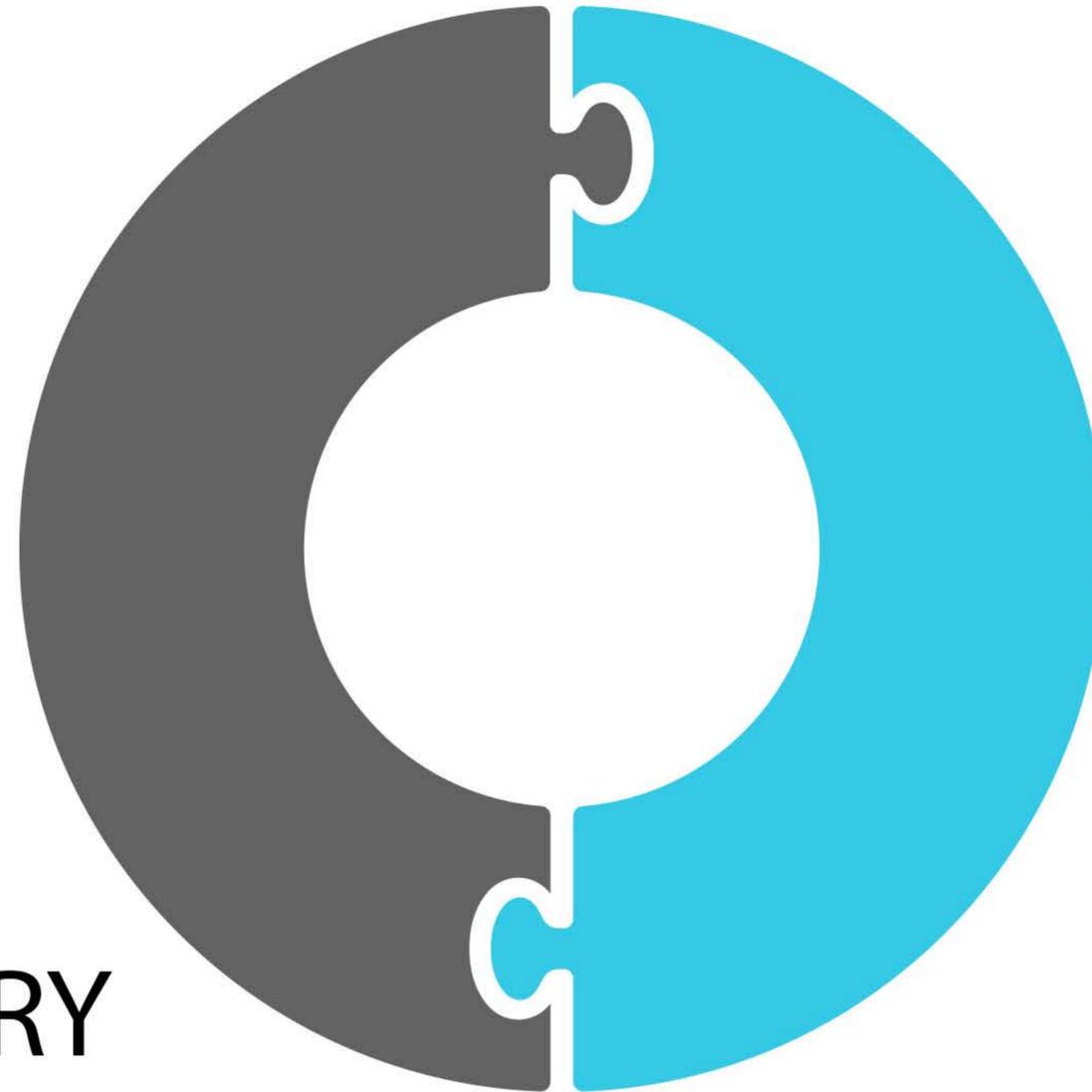


# Contribution limits apply to each election

*Contribution limits apply per election, which means that fundraising for the primary election and for the general election must be completely separate, and a candidate must therefore establish separate bank accounts for each election.*

## CONTESTED PRIMARY

*MCA 13-37-216(5), "... election means the general election or primary election that involves two or more candidates for the same nomination. **If there is not a contested primary, there is only one election to which the contribution limits apply.** If there is a contested primary, then there are two elections to which the contribution limits apply."*



## GENERAL

*Because these are separate elections, a candidate must properly report each contribution received as either a primary or general contribution, and the money raised for each election must be kept in separate campaign accounts*



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