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**INDEPENDENT SPENDING EXCEEDS \$1 MILLION
IN 2013 REGULAR PRIMARY ELECTIONS**

Today, independent spending surpassed \$1 million in the City and Los Angeles Unified School District Board of Education (LAUSD) races that are on the ballot in the March 5 regular primary elections.

In the eleven City races on the ballot (Mayor, City Attorney, Controller, and the eight odd-numbered City Council districts), independent spending has exceeded \$320,000. And in the three LAUSD races (Districts 2, 4, and 6), independent spending has exceeded \$700,000. Most of this independent spending has been done by four entities:

- Coalition for School Reform to Support Garcia, Anderson, and Sanchez for Board of Education 2013 has spent \$404,502.
- Los Angeles County Federation of Labor Council on Political Education has spent a total of \$190,224 to support Cedillo for Council District 1, Price for Council District 9, Choi for Council District 13, and Garcia for LAUSD District 2, Zimmer for LAUSD District 4, and Sanchez for LAUSD District 6.
- Service Employees International Union Local 99 Independent Expenditure PAC has spent \$179,594 to support Garcia for LAUSD District 2, Zimmer for LAUSD District 4, and Sanchez for LAUSD District 6.
- Los Angeles County Federation of Labor AFL-CIO has spent \$110,020 to support Cedillo for Council District 1, Blumenfield for Council District 3, Koretz for Council District 5, Fuentes for Council District 7, Price for Council District 9, Bonin for Council District 11, Choi for Council District 13, Garcia for LAUSD District 2, Zimmer for LAUSD District 4, and Sanchez for LAUSD District 6.

Independent expenditures are expenditures made for communications that support or oppose candidates or ballot measures but are not coordinated with or authorized by a candidate. During an election, independent expenditures must be reported to the Ethics Commission within 24 hours of being made. For additional information about independent spending in the March primary elections, please visit ethics.lacity.org or contact the Ethics Commission at (213) 978-1960.

The City Ethics Commission was created by Los Angeles voters in 1990 to impartially administer and enforce the City's governmental ethics, campaign financing, and lobbying laws.