



Memorandum

TO: Delegates to the 2017 NEA Representative Assembly
FROM: Lily Eskelsen Garcia, President
DATE: June 19, 2017
RE: NEA Ballot Measure/Legislative Crisis Fund Report

BACKGROUND

The 2000 NEA Representative Assembly created the NEA Ballot Measure/Legislative Crisis Fund. The current special dues assessment for the Fund is \$20. The Board's guidelines for the Fund set out a process for review and evaluation of affiliate funding requests by an Oversight Committee consisting of the NEA Vice President and Secretary-Treasurer, the President of the National Council of State Education Associations, the NEA Director of Communications, and the NEA Director of Campaigns and Elections.

All recommendations of the Oversight Committee to allocate \$500,000 or less to a state affiliate during a membership year are forwarded to the NEA President and Executive Director for action.

FUND STATUS

The NEA Ballot Measure/Legislative Crisis Fund began the 2016-17 membership year with a carry-over of \$62,765,242. Dues collections for 2016-17 are projected to be \$23,659,261. Therefore, the total amount available in the 2016-17 membership year for ballot measures and legislative crisis is projected to be \$86,424,503.

As of March 31, 2017, NEA had approved \$8,650,000 in assistance to nine state affiliates for ballot measure campaigns and \$1,281,333 in legislative crisis fund assistance to nine state affiliates. The NEA Board of Directors' allocations total is \$27,414,293.

The current estimated fund balance available for 2016-2017 as of March 31, 2017 is \$49,078,877.