

# Gubernatorial Public Funding

## Appendix C

### [Immediate family form](#)

#### Definitions Of “Immediate Family”

1. MCL 169.269(6), 169.203(1) For purposes of determining the \$50,000.00 “immediate family” contribution limitation for the election cycle when the gubernatorial candidate is receiving public funds, “immediate family” includes:
  - a. the gubernatorial candidate;
  - b. the lieutenant governor candidate;
  - c. the spouse, mother, father, brother, sister, son or daughter of the gubernatorial candidate; and
  - d. the spouse, mother, father, brother, sister, son or daughter of the lieutenant governor candidate
  
2. MCL 169.208(2), 169.252(5) When the gubernatorial candidate does **not** apply for public funds, there is no contribution limit for his or her “immediate family” **when contributing to the Gubernatorial Candidate Committee**. “Immediate family” in this scenario includes:
  - a. the gubernatorial candidate
  - b. the spouse of the gubernatorial candidate
  - c. any child residing in the home of the gubernatorial candidate; and
  - d. any individual claimed as a dependent for federal income tax purposes by the gubernatorial candidate or his/her spouse.
  
3. MCL 169.208(2), 169.252(5) When the gubernatorial running mate of a lieutenant governor candidate does **not** apply for public funds, there is no contribution limit for the “immediate family” of the lieutenant governor candidate **when contributing to the lieutenant governor candidate’s committee**. “Immediate family” in this scenario includes:
  - a. the lieutenant governor candidate
  - b. the spouse of the lieutenant governor candidate
  - c. any child residing in the home of the lieutenant governor candidate; and
  - d. any individual claimed as a dependent for federal income tax purposes by the lieutenant governor candidate or his/her spouse.
  
4. MCL 169.269(8), 169.208(2) The expenditure limitation is waived for gubernatorial candidates accepting public funds if the “immediate family” of a gubernatorial candidate who has not applied for public funds contributes more than \$340,000.00 to his or her Candidate Committee. “Immediate family” in this scenario includes:
  - a. the gubernatorial candidate **who has not applied for public funds**
  - b. the spouse of that gubernatorial candidate
  - c. any child residing in the home of that gubernatorial candidate; and
  - d. any individual claimed as a dependent for federal income tax purposes by that gubernatorial candidate or his/her spouse