

## Ohio ACT Analysis of Contributions and In-Kind Donations to Ohioans for Livestock Care PAC

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**Large Contributors/Donors (\$20,000 or More) Represent Two-Thirds of the Contributions to Ohioans for Livestock Care (Pro-Issue 2):** Fifty donors, all large institutions, that gave \$20,000 or more to the Ohioans for Livestock Care PAC were 2 percent of the contributors but two-thirds (66 percent) of the financing. More than one thousand donors (1,046 contributors) donated less than \$100, but these small donors made up only 1 percent of the PAC's contributions.

Size of Contribution	# Contributions	% All Contributors	\$ Contributions	% Total \$ Contributions
\$20,000 or more	50	2%	\$2,690,570	66%
>\$100K	12	0%	\$1,418,762	35%
\$20,000- \$99,999	38	2%	\$1,271,809	31%
\$1,000-\$19,999	343	14%	\$1,063,698	26%
\$250-\$999	457	18%	\$193,903	5%
\$100-\$249	578	23%	\$68,032	2%
<\$99	1046	42%	\$33,069	1%
TOTAL	2474		\$4,049,272	

**Dozen Largest Contributions/In-Kind Donations Made Up More than One Third of Contributions:** The twelve largest contributors (all agribusiness interests) contributed at least \$100,000 gave a total of \$1.4 million, 35 percent of all funds contributed to Ohioans for Livestock Care. The statewide Ohio Farm Bureau Federation gave \$505,186 (in four separate donations) that constituted 12 percent of the funding for the PAC. Three out-of-state interests contributed a total of \$413,000, or 10 percent of all contributions to the PAC (United Egg Producers (Georgia), National Pork Producers Council (Iowa), and Pioneer Hi-Bred (Iowa-based seed and agrochemical firm).

Dozen Largest Contributions \$100,000 or More			
Contributor	City	\$ Contributions	% All Contributions
United Egg Producers	Alpharetta, Georgia	\$200,000	5%
Ohio Farm Bureau Federation	Columbus	\$150,000	4%
Ohio Farm Bureau Federation	Columbus	\$132,920	3%
Ohio Farm Bureau Federation	Columbus	\$122,265	3%
National Pork Producers Council	Des Moines, Iowa	\$113,000	3%
Fort Recovery Equity	Fort Recovery	\$100,576	2%
Farmland Mutual Insurance	Columbus	\$100,000	2%
Ohio Farm Bureau Federation	Columbus	\$100,000	2%
Ohio Pork Producers Council	Columbus	\$100,000	2%
Ohio Poultry Association	Columbus	\$100,000	2%
Ohio Soybean Association	Worthington	\$100,000	2%
Pioneer Hi-Bred International	Johnston, Iowa	\$100,000	2%
TOTAL		\$1,418,762	35%

**Non-Individual Contributors Provided Nearly All (94 Percent) of the Financing:**

About half the contributors (49 percent) were “non-individual” contributors, but they contributed \$.3.8 million (94 percent) to the PAC. These non-individual donors were primarily agribusiness trade associations, livestock operations, agricultural service companies and farms.

Contributor Type	# Contributors	% Contributors	\$ Contributions	% Contributions
Individual	1,272	51%	\$238,945	6%
Business/Associations	1,202	49%	\$3,810,327	94%
TOTAL	2,474		\$4,049,272	

**Farm Bureau Chapters and Livestock Operations and Associations Among Largest Donors:**

State and local Farm Bureau chapters made 451 contributions totaling \$995,719 to the pro-Issue 2 PAC – 18 percent of the contributors and 25 percent of the financing. This includes 13 non-Ohio-based Farm Bureau chapters that gave \$60,000. Hog trade associations and operations contributed \$624,106 (15 percent); egg trade associations and operations contributed \$477,298 (12 percent); poultry associations and operations contributed \$271,695 (7 percent). Beef, dairy and other livestock interest contributed \$257,944 (6 percent) combined.

Contributor Code	# Contributions	% Contributors	\$ Contributions	% Contributions
Farm Bureau	451	18%	\$995,719	25%
Hog	61	2%	\$624,106	15%
Egg	11	0%	\$477,298	12%
Poultry	33	1%	\$271,695	7%
Other Livestock	21	1%	\$114,520	3%
Dairy	23	1%	\$84,629	2%
Beef	46	2%	\$58,795	1%
Grain/Oilseed/Feed	41	2%	\$486,615	12%
Agricultural Services	48	2%	\$371,171	9%
Agrochemical/Pharmaceutical	4	0%	\$150,100	4%

**Contributors from Outside Ohio Provided More than One Fourth Contributions:**

More than one hundred (106) out of state contributors donated \$1,196,080 to Ohioans for Livestock Care, only 4 percent of the contributors but 30 percent of the financing. Ten Iowa contributors gave \$498,300 (12 percent), 3 Georgia contributors gave \$211,000 (5 percent), 3 Minnesota contributors gave \$115,000 (3 percent), 26 Indiana donors gave \$97,075 (2 percent), 3 Kentucky contributors gave \$58,000 (1 percent), 5 Missouri donors gave \$56,000 (1 percent), and 3 North Carolina contributors gave \$50,000 (1 percent).

**Methodology:** Ohio ACT examined the Coalition for Livestock Care PAC contributions and in kind donation data that was released October 22nd and coded the non-individual contributors that gave \$5,000 or more based on agricultural sector. Trade associations and

companies that provided a livestock-specific service (pork packing, poultry packaging or cage manufacturing, or hog business consulting software, for example) was coded with the appropriate livestock industry. Livestock services that were not livestock type specific (veterinary services, cattle genetics) were coded as agricultural services). Feed and seed elevators that provide a range of agricultural services but appear to be primarily elevators are coded as feed/grain/oilseed.