

Darden Restaurants, Inc.
Annual Darden Political Contribution Disclosure (2025)
Listed Alphabetically by Organization / Political Candidate

Darden is committed to transparency and accountability. In accordance with our "Civic Engagement and Disclosure of Political and Advocacy Expenditures Policy," below are our disclosures of expenditures for calendar year 2025.

Political Contributions

All direct and in-kind political spending to candidates, political parties, political organizations, and independent expenditures at the federal, state and local levels.

Committee Name	Candidate	Party	Amount
CITIZENS FOR BILL FERGUSON		D	\$ 6,000.00
DEMOCRATIC GOVERNORS ASSOCIATION		D	\$ 80,000.00
DEMOCRATIC LEGISLATIVE CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE		D	\$ 50,000.00
DEMOCRATIC MAYORS ASSOCIATION		D	\$ 20,000.00
FLORIDA HOUSE DEMOCRATIC CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE		D	\$ 2,500.00
FLORIDA REPUBLICAN SENATORIAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE, INC.		R	\$ 10,000.00
FRIENDS OF ARRINGTONS	KRISTEN ARRINGTON	D	\$ 1,000.00
FRIENDS OF DON HARMON FOR STATE SENATE		D	\$ 2,500.00
FRIENDS OF TOM LEEK		R	\$ 1,000.00
GOPAC, INC.		R	\$ 50,000.00
HONEST LEADERSHIP	SAM GARRISON	R	\$ 5,000.00
ILLINOIS MERCHANTS POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE TEAM			\$ 10,000.00
JOSIE TOMKOW CAMPAIGN		R	\$ 1,000.00
KAYLEE TUCK CAMPAIGN		R	\$ 1,000.00
NY STATE DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE	KATHY HOCHUL	D	\$ 5,000.00
NYS DEMOCRATIC ASSEMBLY CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE		D	\$ 1,000.00
REPUBLICAN GOVERNORS ASSOCIATION		R	\$ 135,000.00
RESTAURANT ADVOCACY FUND			\$ 30,000.00
ROGER CHAPIN CAMPAIGN			\$ 1,000.00
SUPPORT RED OAK RESTAURANTS (RED OAK, TX)*			\$ 90,000.00
TEAM SHS	SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS	R	\$ 5,000.00
THE PEOPLE FOR EMANUEL "CHRIS" WELCH		D	\$ 2,500.00
TRACI KOSTER CAMPAIGN		R	\$ 1,000.00
TOTAL			\$ 510,500.00

*Contribution made in 2024; final reconciliation completed in 2025.

Trade Associations and Other Organizations

All trade associations and other tax-exempt organizations that received payments during the calendar year and the portion of those payments that are used for lobbying and political expenditures.

Organization	Lobbying Amount	Total Payment
AFRICAN AMERICAN MAYORS ASSOCIATION		\$ 25,000.00
CALIFORNIA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	\$ 4,375.00	\$ 17,500.00
COLORADO RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION		\$ 2,000.00
COUNCIL OF STATE RESTAURANT ASSOCIATIONS		\$ 5,000.00
FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES		\$ 15,000.00
FLORIDA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 50,000.00
FLORIDA RESTAURANT & LODGING ASSOCIATION		\$ 1,000.00
ILLINOIS RETAIL MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION	\$ 2,160.00	\$ 6,000.00
MASSACHUSETTS RETAIL ASSOCIATION	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 2,500.00
NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF STATE LEGISLATURES		\$ 15,000.00
NATIONAL GOVERNORS ASSOCIATION		\$ 30,000.00
NATIONAL RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 300,000.00
NATIONAL RETAIL FEDERATION	\$ 106,274.75	\$ 106,274.75
NEW YORK CITY HOSPITALITY ALLIANCE		\$ 5,000.00
NORTH CAROLINA RETAIL ASSOCIATION	\$ 625.00	\$ 2,500.00
SENATE PRESIDENTS FORUM		\$ 47,000.00
THE LATINO LEGISLATIVE CAUCUS FOUNDATION (CALIFORNIA)		\$ 15,000.00
VISIT ORLANDO	\$ 289.14	\$ 28,914.00
VISIT TAMPA BAY		\$ 10,000.00
WOMEN IN GOVERNMENT		\$ 5,000.00
TOTAL		\$ 688,688.75