

GUIDELINES FOR VOLUNTEER ACTIVITY

We ask that you closely review the following fundraising guidelines that incorporate guidance from the Federal Election Commission (FEC) regarding volunteer fundraising activity. Additional information can be found at www.fec.gov.

VOLUNTEER HOSTS AGREE TO THE FOLLOWING:

- I understand that I am volunteering my time to host an event but am not otherwise affiliated with the campaign and will not represent myself as such.
- By hosting a community gathering, I will adhere to all the legal fundraising requirements including contribution limits and prohibitions.
- I understand that I must follow all legal reporting requirements if I spend money to hold my event.
- If an individual hosts a campaign event in their home, the host may spend up to \$1,000 (\$2,000 per couple) for the event (food, beverages, invitations) without that amount counting towards their contribution amount. If the host's expenses exceed \$1,000 on the event, any amount over that limit will count towards the individual contribution limit and have to be treated as an in-kind contribution.

COLLECTION OF CONTRIBUTIONS:

- Please ask all contributors to provide their name, address, occupation and employer.
- All checks and contribution forms must be sent directly to the campaign:

Obama for America
Attn: Grassroots Finance
233 North Michigan Avenue, 11th floor
Chicago, IL 60601

CONTRIBUTION LIMITS:

- **Individuals:** Each individual may contribute a maximum of \$2,300 per election (the primary and general are separate elections). No individual may contribute more than \$100 in cash. In-kind contributions are not yet accepted for the general election.
- **Married Couples:** Each spouse may contribute up to \$2,300 per election. For checks written from joint accounts, the contribution will be attributed to the person that signs the check. If signed by both spouses, the contribution will be attributed to both equally.
- **Partnerships:** Allowed to contribute up to \$2,300 per election regardless of the number of partners contributing. Any contribution from a partnership counts both against the partnership's \$2,300 limit and also against the limits of the individual partners. However, individual partners may write personal checks for amounts up to their individual contribution limits. Example: if a partnership check is written for \$2,300 and equally attributed to two partners for \$1,150 each, then either may make an additional individual contribution by writing a personal check up to \$1,150. No portion of a contribution made by a partnership can come from profits of a professional corporation.
- If Obama for America accepts public funding for the general election, any contributions raised for the general election will be refunded.

PROHIBITED CONTRIBUTIONS:

- **Foreign Nationals:** Only U.S. citizens and lawful permanent residents ("green card" holders) can make contributions.
- **Corporations:** Contributions from corporate accounts are prohibited. No check should be accepted if it contains the words: "Inc.," "Corp.," "Ltd.," or any similar language that suggests a corporation. A corporate credit card cannot be used to make a contribution.
- **Political Action Committees (PACs):** Obama for America does not accept contributions from PACs.
- **Registered Federal Lobbyists:** Obama for America does not accept contributions from currently registered federal lobbyists.
- **Anonymous Donors**

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