HOW WE CAN WIN IN NEW YORK

New York State politics has been held hostage by big money and corporate interests. They have used their resources to block progressive legislation for years. The Fair Elections for New York campaign is calling for comprehensive campaign finance and voting rights reform as the first order of business in 2019 to ensure Albany is working for all New Yorkers!

**Real Estate Industry: Hiking Rents for Cash**

**What They Gave**

Over the last decade, real estate interests gave over $62 million to support candidates in New York State elections.* In the 2014 election, members of the Real Estate Board of New York and their firms gave $21.5 million—more than one-tenth of the money entering state elections.**

**What They Got**

In New York City, hundreds of thousands of rent-regulated apartments have been lost due to landlord-friendly laws that make it easy for landlords to hike prices, as well as a lack of enforcement of existing rules.

**Health Industry: Blocking Healthcare for All for Cash**

**What They Gave**

Over the last decade, health industry interests including pharmaceutical, health insurance, and medical device companies gave over $11 million to support candidates in New York State elections.*

**What They Got**

Health industry profits continue to soar while many New Yorkers can’t afford the cost of getting covered. By contributing to candidates, the health industry helps block passage of the New York Health Act, which would provide guaranteed publicly funded universal healthcare to all New Yorkers.

**Hedge Fund Billionaires: Blocking Education Equity for Cash**

**What They Gave**

Over the last decade, Wall Street interests gave over $38 million to support candidates in New York State elections.*

**What They Got**

Hedge fund billionaires have successfully campaigned to divert huge amounts of public resources into private schools.

*Analysis of National Institute for Money in State Politics data by LittleSis
**Politico, "REBNY members gave a tenth of all NY campaign money", 2015

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BUT WAIT!
THERE’S MORE
Fossil Fuel Interests Endanger the Environment for Cash

**What They Gave**

Over the last decade, fossil fuel interests gave over $5.5 million to support candidates in New York State elections.*

**What They Got**

For the sake of padding their profits, fossil fuel interests have blocked legislation to address climate change and create renewable energy jobs while also delaying recycling programs and fracking regulation.

Billionaires’ Tax Scam for Cash

**What They Gave**

Just seven billionaires gave over $30 million in New York state and federal campaign contributions this election cycle.**

**What They Got**

These billionaires benefitted when the narrow Republican majority in the New York Senate blocked efforts to make the wealthy pay their fair share, including by closing the carried interest loophole.

*Analysis of National Institute for Money in State Politics data by LittleSis

**Analysis by HedgeClippers

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THE SOLUTION: FAIR ELECTIONS

New Yorkers deserve a responsive, accountable government. To ensure we win on our top priorities, we must fix our political system that favors the wealthy few over everyday New Yorkers. Join the broad coalition that is standing strong to demand voting rights and campaign finance reform are the first order of business in 2019!

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