

Why Regulate Money in Politics?

Our political leaders are too beholden to special interests and their wealthy donors to truly serve the needs of the American people. The U.S. Supreme Court in disastrous cases like Buckley v. Valeo (1976) and Citizens United v. FEC (2010) unleashed torrents of unregulated money by wealthy individuals, giant corporations and special interests into our elections. SpeechNOW.org v. FEC (2010) has allowed them to hide their identities in Dark Money PACs.

The dominance of money in politics not only corrupts government itself, but also blocks effective action on virtually every major issue Americans care about, from deadly gun violence to affordable healthcare to the existential threat of climate change.

We believe the only force capable of challenging the corrupting influences of moneyed special interests is a diverse, nonpartisan, grassroots movement. RepresentUs New Mexico f/k/a New Mexicans for Money Out of Politics (RUNM) is helping to build a democracy movement to meet this urgent need.

Help Make Government Work for ALL the People

If we really want a government of, by, and for the people, it is up to us to make it happen. Let's join together to make government work for ALL of us.

RUNM is the state chapter of RepresentUs, a national organization dedicated to ending political and governmental corruption in America. (see represent.us) We call attention to the public about and lobby our elected officials to adopt a campaign finance amendment to the Constitution, increase campaign finance and lobbying disclosure, end the gerrymandering of legislative districts, protect voters' rights and election security and enact other democratic reforms.

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Fighting corruption in government so that government represents all the people



RepresentUs New Mexico is a nonpartisan, nonprofit, grassroots organization.

Our **vision** is a well-informed, engaged citizenry and a government that truly represents and serves the best interests of all the people.

Our **mission** is to promote ethical government that adheres to the Constitution, respects the rule of law and serves the public good.

Goals of RepresentUs New Mexico

1. **Establish more public financing** for all federal, state and local elections.
2. **Enact a 28th Amendment** to the U.S. Constitution to restore the authority and create the responsibility of government to impose reasonable limits upon political campaign contributions and expenditures and providing greater disclosure and transparency.
3. **Enact Lobbying Reform** at the federal, state and local levels so we, not the wealthy, are fairly represented, and to eliminate the “revolving door” between government and business.
4. **Eliminate gerrymandering** (i.e. rigging) of congressional districts so that every citizen’s vote counts and we are all fairly and equally represented in Congress.
5. **Protect and enhance the right and ability to vote** by eliminating tactics aimed at restricting voting, establishing laws that would make it easier to vote to register to vote, restoring the Voters Rights Act of 1965 and more.
6. **Enact anti-corruption, ethics and conflict of interest laws** applying to federal, state and local executive officials, legislators and judges.

