



Commonwealth of Massachusetts

# Form CPF M101 BQ: STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION BALLOT QUESTION COMMITTEE MUNICIPAL FORM

## Office of Campaign and Political Finance

File with: City / Town Clerk or Election Commission

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 55, of the organization of a ballot question committee as follows:

1. Name (See note 1):	<u>Citizens for the Next Monument</u>		
2. Committee mailing address:	<u>1 Barrington Pl. Gt. Barrington, MA 01230</u>		
City/State/Zip:			
E-mail Address:	<u>vote.yes.monument@gmail.com</u>	Phone #:	<u>917-617-9974</u>
3. Purpose / specific issues and interests (See note 2):	<u>To promote a yes vote on the ballot question scheduled for any fall 2025 asking voters if they will support the building of a new monument Mountain Regional High School.</u>		
4. Topic of question & question no., if known:	<u>Will voters in the Berkshire Hill Regional School District support the building project approved by the Massachusetts School Building Authority?</u>		
5. This committee is formed to (check one):	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> support or <input type="checkbox"/> oppose the question.		

<b>6. OFFICERS:</b>			
<b>Chairman:</b>	<u>Rebecca Gold</u>	<b>Treasurer*:</b>	<u>Aaron Baden</u>
Residential Address:	<u>1 Barrington Pl.</u>	Residential Address:	<u>73 South St.</u>
City / State / Zip:	<u>Great Barrington MA 01230</u>	City / State / Zip:	<u>Great Barrington MA 01230</u>
Phone #:	<u>917-617-9974</u>	Phone #:	<u>413-717-8400</u> E-mail: _____
<small>*A public employee may not serve as treasurer of any political committee (see reverse).</small>			
<b>Other Officer/Title:</b>	<u>Ellen Lahr</u>	<b>Other Officer/Title:</b>	_____
Residential Address:	<u>208 Pine St.</u>	Residential Address:	_____
City / State / Zip:	<u>Housatonic MA 01236</u>	City / State / Zip:	_____
Phone #:	<u>413-329-3256</u>	Phone #:	_____
<small>(Complete and attach a Form CPF MA 101, if necessary, with other officers and finance committee, if any.)</small>			

The chairman and treasurer of a political committee should be aware that provisions of M.G.L. c. 55 specify that each treasurer of a political committee shall keep and preserve detailed accounts, vouchers and receipts for a period of six years from the date of the relevant election. Chapter 55 also specifies that no expenditures shall be made for, or on behalf of, a political committee without the authorization of the chairman or treasurer, or their designated agents; and, that all funds of a political committee shall be kept separate from any personal funds of any officers, members or associates of such committee.

I hereby accept the office of Chairman of the above-named committee.  
SIGNED UNDER THE PENALTIES OF PERJURY:

Chairman's signature

Date: 1/27/25

I hereby accept the office of Treasurer of the above-named committee. I affirm that I am not a public employee as defined by M.G.L. c. 55, s. 13. I understand that: 1) I am subject to certain duties and liabilities under M.G.L. c. 55, including the timely filing of campaign finance reports and keeping detailed accounts and records of all campaign finance activity for a period of six years from the date of the relevant election; and 2) if after my acceptance of this office I become an appointed public employee, I must resign this position and notify OCPF of my resignation.

SIGNED UNDER THE PENALTIES OF PERJURY:

Treasurer's signature

Date: 1/27/25

## NOTES FOR COMPLETING THIS FORM

**NOTE 1.** M.G.L. c. 55, s. 5 and 5B require that the full name of a political committee:

- (i) include the full words represented by any abbreviations, initials or acronyms in the name;
- (ii) clearly identify the economic or other special interest, if identifiable, of a majority of its contributors or organizers;
- (iii) if a majority of its contributors or organizers share a common employer that identifies the employer; and
- (iv) if the committee is organized, financed, controlled or maintained by an individual, the name or phrase identifies said individual.

**NOTE 2.** M.G.L. c. 55, s. 5 and 5B require that the statement of purpose for which a political committee is organized include a list of specific issues in which the committee takes an interest, and a list of specific interests, including but not limited to business, charitable, educational, or other interests represented by the committee, or by a significant proportion of its officers, members or donors.

### DEFINITION OF A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE

M.G.L. Chapter 55, Section 13 states that a person who is employed for compensation by the Commonwealth or any county, city or town (other than an elected official) may not directly or indirectly solicit or receive political contributions. Such persons may not serve as treasurers of any political committee. If you are unsure of your status, please contact OCPF for further guidance.

### SELECTED EXTRACTS FROM M.G.L. C. 55

**Section 1** defines a ballot question committee:

*"a political committee which receives or expends money or other things of value for the purpose of favoring or opposing the adoption or rejection of a specific question or questions submitted to the voters, including, without limitation, a charter change, an initiative or referendum question or a constitutional amendment."*

**Section 3** requires the director to:

*"assess a civil penalty for any [late filed] report ... of twenty-five dollars (\$25) per day ... [up to \$5,000 per report] ... the civil penalty shall be assessed against the treasurer of the [ballot question] committee ..."*

**Section 5** outlines statements of organization of political committees:

*Each political committee shall organize by filing with the director or, if organized for the purpose of a city or town election only, with the city or town clerk, a statement of organization.*

*The statement of organization shall include: (1) the full name of the political committee ... which, if not organized on behalf of a candidate, shall include the full words represented by any abbreviations, initials or acronyms in said name; ... (2) the address of the political committee; (3) a statement of the purpose for which the political committee is organized which shall include, ..., a list of specific issues in which the committee takes an interest, and a list of specific interests, including but not limited to business, charitable, educational, or other interests represented by the committee, or by a significant proportion of its officers, members or donors; (4) the name and residential address of the chairman and the treasurer; (5) the name, residential address, and position of other principal officers, including officers and members of the finance committee, if any ...*

*Any change in information previously submitted in a statement of organization shall be reported to the director, or if organized for the purpose of a city or town election only, to the city or town clerk, within ten days following the change.*

*Each political committee shall have a treasurer who shall qualify for his office by filing a written acceptance thereof with the director, or if organized for the purpose of a city or town election only, with the city or town clerk. Said treasurer shall remain subject to all the duties and liabilities imposed by this chapter until his written resignation of the office is received or his successor's written acceptance is filed as aforesaid. No person acting under the authority of, or on behalf of, any political committee shall receive any money or anything of value, or expend or disburse the same, or incur expenses while it has no treasurer qualified as aforesaid ...*

*Each treasurer of a political committee shall keep and preserve detailed accounts, vouchers and receipts as prescribed for a candidate by the provisions of section two. Each treasurer of a political committee shall keep said records for a period of six years following the date of the relevant election ...*

*No expenditure shall be made for, or on behalf of, a political committee without the authorization of the chairman or treasurer, or their designated agents ...*

*All funds of a political committee shall be kept separate from any personal funds of officers, members or associates of such committee.*

**Section 5B.** (a) Every political committee, other than a political party committee or a candidate's committee, shall name and identify itself in its organizational statement pursuant to section five by using a name or phrase that:

- (i) clearly identifies the economic or other special interest, if identifiable, of a majority of its contributors; and
- (ii) if a majority of its contributors share a common employer, that identifies the employer.

(b) If the economic or other special interest or common employer are not identifiable under subsection (a), every such political committee shall name and identify itself in its organizational statement using a name or phrase:

- (i) that clearly identifies the economic or other special interest, if identifiable, of a majority of its organizers; and
- (ii) if a majority of its organizers share a common employer, that identifies the employer; and
- (iii) if the committee is organized, financed, controlled or maintained by an individual, that identifies said individual.

(c) No political committee shall use any name other than the name included in its organizational statement.



Commonwealth of Massachusetts

## Form CPF M 102: Campaign Finance Report Municipal Form

Office of Campaign and Political Finance

File with: City or Town Clerk or Election Commission

Fill in Reporting Period dates: Beginning Date: 4/1/25 Ending Date: 10/15/25

Type of Report: (Check one)

8th day preceding preliminary     8th day preceding election     30 day after election     year-end report     dissolution

Candidate Full Name (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Office Sought and District: \_\_\_\_\_

Residential Address: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Citizens for the Next Monument  
Committee Name

Aaron Baden  
Name of Committee Treasurer

1 Barrington Pl Great Barrington 01239  
Committee Mailing Address

E-mail: vote yes monument@gmail.com

Phone #: 917 617 9974

SUMMARY BALANCE INFORMATION:	
Line 1: Ending Balance from previous report	-
Line 2: Total receipts this period (page 3, line 12)	18 026.
Line 3: Subtotal (line 1 plus line 2)	18 026.
Line 4: Total expenditures this period (page 5, line 15)	6 737
Line 5: Ending Balance (line 3 minus line 4)	11 288.12
Line 6: Total in-kind contributions this period (page 6, line 18)	-
Line 7: Total (all) outstanding liabilities (page 7, line 19)	-
Line 8: Total out-of-pocket expenses this period (page 8, line 22)	-
Line 9: Name of bank(s) used:	<u>Lee Bank</u>

**Affidavit of Committee Treasurer:**

I certify that I have examined this report including attached schedules and it is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, a true and complete statement of all campaign finance activity, including all contributions, loans, receipts, expenditures, disbursements, in-kind contributions and liabilities for this reporting period and represents the campaign finance activity of all persons acting under the authority or on behalf of this committee in accordance with the requirements of M.G.L. c. 55.

Signed under the penalties of perjury: [Signature] (Treasurer's signature) Date: 10/21/25

**FOR CANDIDATE FILINGS ONLY: Affidavit of Candidate: (check 1 box only)**

**Candidate with Committee**

I certify that I have examined this report including attached schedules and it is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, a true and complete statement of all campaign finance activity, of all persons acting under the authority or on behalf of this committee in accordance with the requirements of M.G.L. c. 55. I have not received any contributions, incurred any liabilities nor made any expenditures on my behalf during this reporting period that are not otherwise disclosed in this report.

**Candidate without Committee**

I certify that I have examined this report including attached schedules and it is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, a true and complete statement of all campaign finance activity, including contributions, loans, receipts, expenditures, disbursements, in-kind contributions and liabilities for this reporting period and represents the campaign finance activity of all persons acting under the authority or on behalf of this candidate in accordance with the requirements of M.G.L. c. 55.

Signed under the penalties of perjury: \_\_\_\_\_ (Candidate's signature) Date: \_\_\_\_\_





**SCHEDULE A: RECEIPTS (continued)**

Date Received	Name and Residential Address (alphabetical listing required)	Amount	Occupation & Employer (for contributions of \$200 or more)
Line 10: Total Receipts over \$50 (or listed above)	18,006. <sup>00</sup>	* If you have itemized receipts of \$50 and under, include them in line 10. Line 11 should include only those receipts not itemized above.	
Line 11: Total Receipts \$50 and under (not listed above)	20		
<b>Line 12: TOTAL RECEIPTS IN THE PERIOD</b>	18,026. <sup>00</sup>	← Enter on page 1, line 2	









## SCHEDULE E: CANDIDATE OUT-OF-POCKET EXPENSES

Out-of-pocket expenses are expenditures on behalf of a candidate or candidate's committee made directly to a vendor using a candidate's personal funds. The information entered on Schedule E is not also entered on Schedule A or Schedule B. Direct monetary contributions from a candidate, which are deposited into the committee bank account, are receipts that should be listed in Schedule A. If a candidate intends an out-of-pocket expense to be a loan, enter the information on this schedule and on Schedule D: Liabilities. *Attach additional pages as needed to report all expenditures. Please include the candidate or committee name and a page number on each additional page.*

Date Paid	Name and Address of Vendor (alphabetical listing required)	Amount	Purpose of Expenditure
Line 20: Total Itemized Out-Of-Pocket Expenditures Over \$50 (or listed above)			<i>* If you have out-of-pocket expenses of \$50 and under, include them in line 20. Line 21 should include only those expenditures not itemized above.</i>
Line 21: Total Unitemized Out-Of-Pocket Expenditures \$50 and under (not listed above)			
Line 22: TOTAL OUT-OF-POCKET EXPENDITURES IN THE PERIOD		-	

← Enter on page 1, line 8

\*Schedule E is not for ballot question committee use.



*Schedule A 1 & 2*

Last Name	First Name	Donation Ar	Address Line	Address Line 2	City	State	Zip	Count	Occupation	Title
Abrahams	Ed	9/9/2025	\$50.00	15 Pleasant St		Great Barrington	MA	1230		
Ahmed	Tanveer	9/24/2025	\$50.00	121 Hollenbeck Ave		Great Barrington	MA	1230		
Barcela	Alejandra	9/23/2025	\$25.00	4 Kirk St		Housatonic	MA	1236		
Gary	Coley	9/4/2025	\$50.00	69 east road		Sheffield	MA	1257		
Casey Boyd	Ellen	9/22/2025	\$100.00	24 Glendale Road	PO Box 227	W Stockbridge	MA	1266	homemaker	homemaker
Dockery Livak	Natacha	9/9/2025	\$50.00	2 Woodland Hill Rd		Great Barrington	MA	1230		
Dohoney	Richard	9/18/2025	\$250.00	74 Blue Hill Rd		Great Barrington	MA	1230	Commonwealth of Mas Attorney	
E Newell	Karen	9/17/2025	\$50.00	1804 Garnet Avenue 404	#404	San Diego	CA	92109	retired	retired
ERNST	SAMUEL	9/8/2025	\$25.00	74 Division St		Great Barrington	MA	01230-1181		
Frank	Gena	9/16/2025	\$100.00	49 Warren Rd		Framingham	MA	1702		
Hart	Thomas	9/16/2025	\$106.00	598 Main St		New Hartford	CT	6057		
Holland	Lucy	9/17/2025	\$1,000.00	PO Box 512		Stockbridge	MA	1262		
Holmes	Rory	9/12/2025	\$100.00	89 Taconic Avenue		Great Barrington	MA	1230		
Hyson	Marion	9/8/2025	\$100.00	PO Box 592	3 Butler Rd.	Stockbridge	MA	01262-7710		
Jassy	Heather	9/5/2025	\$500.00	3 Westdale Rd		Stockbridge	MA	1262		
Knopf	Jennifer	9/9/2025	\$40.00	2 Larrywaug Crossroad		Stockbridge	MA	1262		
Kogan	Zoe	9/1/2025	\$25.00	109 Mill River	Great Barrington Road	New Marlborough	MA	11215		
Lahr	Ellen	8/26/2025	\$10.00	208 Pine St	PO box 246	Housatonic	MA	1236		
Lamme	Taylor	10/14/2025	\$100.00	250 Guildler Hollow Rd		Sheffield	MA	1257	SeatGeek	HR Exec
Laveto-Emery	Giulia	9/10/2025	\$25.00	55 N Plain Rd		Great Barrington	MA	1230		
Le	Richard	8/26/2025	\$20.00	227 East St	Apt 1	Great Barrington	MA	1230		
Lucey	Jenise	9/13/2025	\$5.00	415 Monterey Rd		Great Barrington	MA	1230		
Maple	Emily	9/5/2025	\$50.00	116 East Street		Great Barrington	MA	1230		
meshon	Aaron	9/19/2025	\$100.00	15 Gilmore Ave		Great Barrington	MA	1230	Aaron meshon illustrati	Illustrator
Miner	Shelby	9/4/2025	\$50.00	26 Tamie Way		Pittsfield	MA	1201		
Most	Peter	9/17/2025	\$250.00	19 E Mountain Rd		Great Barrington	MA	1230	Mancini Shenk	Attorney
Pegorari	Leanna	9/13/2025	\$50.00	324 East New Lenox Road		Pittsfield	MA	1201		
Roberts	Brett	9/19/2025	\$50.00	29 Main Street	PO Box 704	Stockbridge	MA	1262		
Schulze	Charlie	9/17/2025	\$2,500.00	Box 83	Lenox	Stockbridge	MA	1240		
Shankin	Somya	9/22/2025	\$5.00	76 Grove St		Great Barrington	MA	1230	homemaker	homemaker
Shimelonis	Eric	9/10/2025	\$50.00	127 Great Barrington Rd		West Stockbridge	MA	1266		
Singer	Diane	9/16/2025	\$250.00	2 Brainard Ave		Great Barrington	MA	1230	Berkshire Eye	physician
Slonaker	Renee	9/16/2025	\$25.00	12 Gilmore Avenue		Great Barrington	MA	1230		



Smith	Karen	9/22/2025	\$100.00	5 Monument Valley Road	Great Barrington	MA	1230	retired	retired
Sturgis	Sarah	9/5/2025	\$50.00	28 Cottage St	GREAT BARRINGTON	MA	01230-1302		
Swirida	Jill	9/16/2025	\$500.00	50 Mountain View Ter	Lee	MA	1238	Berkshire Family YMCA	coach
Teigen	Susan	9/4/2025	\$50.00	1568 Dublin Rd	Richmond	MA	1254		
Ward	Greg	10/10/2025	\$50.00	29 Castle Hill Ave	Great Barrington	MA	1230	Ward's nursery	Manager
White	Patrick	9/23/2025	\$100.00	81 Hawthorne St.	Lenox	MA	01240	Self	CFO
Whitehead	Peter	9/8/2025	\$500.00	128 Alford Rd.	Great Barrington	MA	1230		
Wise	Terry	9/24/2025	\$20.00	PO Box 226	Stockbridge	MA	1262	retired	retired
Wise	Michael	9/9/2025	\$50.00	173 Castle St	Great Barrington	MA	01230-1540		
Young	Marianne	9/8/2025	\$50.00	2 Anderson St	Great Barrington	MA	1230		

7631.00



Schedule A 2A2

Citizens for the Next Monument Donor Record

Date	First Name	Last Name	Amount	Address	City	Zip	Company	Work Email	Title
09/12/2025	David	Adler	\$100.00	7 Lee Rd	Stockbridge				
10/14/2025	Jane	Angelini	\$100.00	402A Monterey Rd	Great Barrington	1230			
06/26/2025	Stephen and Teresa	Bannon	\$250.00	19 Fairview Terrace	Great Barrington	1230	Fairview Hospital		pharmacist
09/02/2025	Dan	Bourla	\$300.00	10 Samantha Lane	Houaratic	1236	Dome Equities, LLC		Managing Director
04/30/2025	Steven	Boyd	\$500.00	24 Glendale Rd	West Stockbridge	1266	Boyd		CEO
09/19/2025	Carl	Bradford	\$25.00	2 Sawmill Rd	Stockbridge	1262			
04/30/2025	Matt	Chester	\$500.00	5 Church St	Stockbridge	1262	Tableaux Wealth		Managing Director
05/27/2025	Matt	Chester	\$250.00	36 Inerlaken Rd	Stockbridge	1262	Tableaux Wealth		Managing Director
08/20/2025	Matt	Chester	\$250.00	36 Inerlaken Rd	Stockbridge	1262	Tableaux Wealth		Managing Director
05/11/2025	Kathie	Dean	\$250.00	177 Castle Hill Ave	Great Barrington	1230		kathied4@gmail.com	
05/27/2025	Diane and Peter	Dillon	\$500.00	24 Church St	Stockbridge	1262	BHRSO		Superintendent
06/25/2025	William and Linda	Fields	\$250.00	209 Cottage St PO Box 418	Houaratic	1236			
04/08/2025	Rebecca	Gold	\$50.00	1 Barrington Pl	Great Barrington	1201			
08/14/2025	Christopher and Tiffany	Greendale	\$100.00	Cooper Beech Ln	Great Barrington	1230	Em Street Market		Owners
08/14/2025	Chauncy and Elizabeth	Hazen	\$2,500.00	PO Box 146, 9 N Church St	Stockbridge	1262			
08/22/2025	Rebecca & Molly	Holder	\$1,500.00	3 Conashie Rd	Barnet	2478	Reproductive Equity Now		President
09/02/2025	Rebecca	Holder	\$150.00	20 Montgomery Way	Clifton Park, NY	12065			
09/16/2025	Nancy	Kalcher	\$100.00	PO Box 544	Lake Worth, FL	33464			
08/21/2025	Brian and Erin	Kaplan	\$1,000.00	148 Main Rd PO Box 305	Monterey	1245	Canon Design		Architect
04/30/2025	Ellen	Lahr	\$10.00						
09/04/2025	Aimee	Molloy	\$40.00	170 Christian Hill Rd	Great Barrington	1230			
06/19/2025	Marc	Satzburg	\$40.00	82 Baldwin Hill Rd	Egmont	1230			
09/19/2025	Roberta	Sewell Shearn	\$300.00	6 North Church St	Stockbridge	1262	retired from BHRSO		teacher
05/13/2025	Leslie and Steven	Stutz	\$500.00	5 North Church St	Stockbridge	1262	retired		
06/16/2025	Peter	Sholby	\$50.00	16 Quier Knoll Rd Box 767	Stockbridge	1262			
05/27/2025	Jason	St. Peter	\$100.00	50 Mountain View Terrace	Lee	1238			
04/30/2025	Jill	Svirida	\$100.00	7 Inerlaken Rd	Stockbridge				
08/26/2025	Bill and Diane	Vogt	\$100.00		Stockbridge				
09/04/2025	Eva	Ward	\$150.00	12 Merrituck Heights, PO Box 1067	Stockbridge	1262			
			\$10,375.00						



Schedule B

Citizens for the  
Next Monument

1 Barrington Pl  
Great Barrington, MA 01230

# Expense Report

04-08-2025 -

Date	Category	Description	Notes	Amount
5/5	Website	Squarespace		\$14.00
5/7	Marketing	Etsy	Buttons	\$59.49
5/8	Website	Squarespace		\$9.00
5/8	Website	Squarespace		\$279.25
5/16	Marketing	Kwik Print	Flyers	\$95.63
5/28	Marketing	Almprint	Buttons	\$515.09
6/2	Marketing	Kwik Print		\$71.72
6/4	Marketing	Almprint		\$515.09
6/25	Marketing	Staples, return		-\$2.80
6/25	Marketing	Common or Garden Event		\$385.20

6/25	Marketing	Staples	Flyers	\$30.94
6/25	Marketing	Staples	Flyers	\$2.80
6/25	Marketing	Staples	Flyers	\$161.50
9/4	Marketing	Yard Signs		\$1,670.00
9/8	Website	Squarespace		\$21.25
9/17	Marketing	KwikPrint	Postcard	\$233.75
9/17	Donation	Refund for disallowed Venmo donation	Matthew Chester	\$500.00
9/17	Donation	Refund for disallowed Venmo donation	Stephen Boyd	\$500.00
9/24	Marketing	Yard Signs		\$768.60
9/30	Marketing	Staples	labels	\$36.10
10/1	Marketing	Staples	labels	\$18.05
10/4	Marketing	Marshalls	lights and pens	\$81.77
10/6	Marketing	Post office	stamps	\$305.00
10/8	Website	Squarespace		\$21.25
10/14	Marketing	Post office	stamps	\$195.20
10/14	Website	Trennon Burcher	Videographer	\$250.00

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