

Worcester Campaign Finance Project, Clark University

Table 1: Vote Share and Receipts, City-Wide Candidates, 2023

Candidate	Status	Council Votes	Council Percentage	Mayoral Votes	Mayoral Percentage	Result	Receipts
Joseph Petty*	Incumbent	11,171	13.2	10,706	49.79	Won Council, Won Mayor	\$229,346
Kate Toomey	Incumbent	10,274	12.14			Won Council	31,139
Khrystian King	Incumbent	10,108	11.95	5,906	27.47	Won Council, Lost Mayor	59,903
Donna Colorio	Incumbent	8,767	10.36	2,919	13.57	Won Council, Lost Mayor	33,180
Morris Bergman	Incumbent	8,668	10.24			Won Council	51,806
Thu Nguyen	Incumbent	7,793	9.21			Won Council	25,304
Guillermo Creamer	Challenger	6,189	7.31	954	4.44	Lost Council, Lost Mayor	22,128
Domenica Perrone	Challenger	6,155	7.27			Lost Council	38,240
Maydee Morales	Challenger	6,041	7.14			Lost Council	21,245
Bill Coleman	Challenger	5,036	5.95	1,018	4.73	Lost Council, Lost Mayor	0
Johanna Hampton-Dance	Challenger	4,414	5.22			Lost Council	5,486
Mean, Incumbents							71,780
Mean, Challengers							17,420
Mean, Winners							71,780
Mean, Losers							17,420
Total							517,785

* Totals for Petty include an unsuccessful 2022 state senate campaign.

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Table 2: Receipts, City-Wide Candidates, 2023

Candidate	Status	Result	Total Money Raised	Itemized Individual Contributions	PAC Contributions	Contributions /Loans from Candidate	Mean Itemized Contribution	Number of \$500+ Donors*	Contributions from outside of Worcester**
Joseph Petty***	Incumbent	Won Council, Won Mayor	\$229,346	\$213,746	\$14,600	166	\$324	147	123,829
Kate Toomey	Incumbent	Won Council	31,139	23,039	8,100		129	8	9,465
Khrystian King	Incumbent	Won Council, Lost Mayor	59,903	52,402	6,550	951	159	26	21,230
Donna Colorio	Incumbent	Won Council, Lost Mayor	33,180	31,230	1,950		232	17	10.925
Morris Bergman	Incumbent	Won Council	51,806	47,806	3,900		188	28	14,593
Thu Nguyen	Incumbent	Won Council	25,304	20,779	4,525		106	7	6,987
Guillermo Creamer	Challenger	Lost Council, Lost Mayor	22,128	20,730	200	810	126	13	15,243
Domenica Perrone	Challenger	Lost Council	38,240	33,710	4,530	250	323	11	15,512
Maydee Morales	Challenger	Lost Council	21,245	20,545	700	300	121	10	6,120
Bill Coleman	Challenger	Lost Council, Lost Mayor	0						
Johanna Hampton-Dance	Challenger	Lost Council	5,4945	5,495			94	2	671
Total			517,785	469,481	45,055	2,477	190	269	224,575

* Aggregates 2022 and 2023 contributions.

** Individual contributions only.

*** Includes 2022 state senate campaign.

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Table 3: Changes for Repeat Citywide Candidates, 2017-2023

Candidate	First Elected	2023 Receipts	2021 Receipts	2019 Receipts	2017 Receipts	Pct. Change 2021-2023	Pct. Change 2019-2021	Notes
Petty, Joseph	1997	\$229,346	\$65,598	\$68,309	\$80,172	250	-4	Ran successfully for mayor in 2011-2023.
Toomey, Kate	2005	31,139	19,514	24,790	12,815	60	-21	
Bergman, Morris	2013	51,806	39,112	45,631	32,955	32	-14	
King, Khrystian	2015	59,903	16,420	14,835	13,100	265	11	Ran unsuccessfully for mayor in 2023.
Colorio, Donna	2019	33,180	26,044	32,869		28	21	Ran unsuccessfully for mayor in 2019-2023.
Nguyen, Thu	2021	25,304	55,998			-55		
Creamer, Gullermo		22,128	25,204			-12		Ran unsuccessfully for mayor in 2023.
Rosen, Gary	2017			1,200	3,237			Ran unsuccessfully for mayor in 20xx; retired in 2021.
Coleman, William		0	0	0		0	0	Ran unsuccessfully for council and mayor in 2013, 2015, 2019, 2021, and 2023.

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Table 4: District Races, 2023

Candidate	General Election Vote Pct.	Total Money Raised	Itemized Individual Contributions	PAC Contributions	Contributions/Loans from Candidate	Mean Itemized Contribution	Number of \$500+ Donors*	Contributions from outside of Worcester**
District 1								
Pacillo	61.05	\$26,916	\$23,566	\$3,350		\$97	6	\$5,693
Peterson	38.95	9,235	9,035	200	200	127	3	2,879
<i>Shetler</i>		1,458	350		1,108	117		350
District 2								
Mero Carlson (I)	52.71	70,507	53,163	17,200		261	33	22,535
Bilotta	47.29	22,542	22,441	100	300	117	11	6,000
<i>Palmieri</i>								
District 3								
Russell (I)	74.11	28,695	18,045	10,650		147	9	4,935
Jattan-Singh	24.89	2,010	1,541		350	119	1	3306
District 4								
Ojeda	52.21	8,075	7,875	200		157	3	3,260
Norford	47.79	3,905	2,375	500	1,020	95		220
<i>Kostas</i>		4,427	4,427		21	89		1,063
<i>Schwab</i>		5,240	105		5,135	35		30
<i>Montano</i>								
District 5								
Haxhiaj (I)	51.38	31,912	26,540	4,625		101	7	7,286
Rivera	48.62	35,715	32,120	1,400	2,165	198	22	15,775
<i>Montero</i>		2,565	2,565		25	122	2	2,100
Mean, Incumbents	43,705	32,583	10,825	0	170	16.3		11,585
Mean, Incumbents in Contested Races	43,705	32,583	10,825	0	170	16.3		11,585
Mean, General Election Challengers	20,089	18,701	500	938	145	11		8,360
Mean, Winners	33,221	25,838	7,205	0	153	11.6		8,742
Mean, Winners in Contested Races	33,221	25,838	7,205	0	153	11.6		8,742
Mean, General Election Losers	14,681	13,502	440	807	131	7.4		5,636
Mean, Preliminary Election Losers	2,282	1,241	0	1,048	61	0		591
Total		\$253,200	\$204,147	\$38,225	10,325	143	97	\$72,507

Candidates in *italics* were defeated in preliminary elections.

* Aggregates 2022 and 2023 contributions.

** Individual contributions only

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Table 5: Repeat District Candidates, 2017-2023

Candidate	2023		2021		2019	
	General Election Votes	Receipts	General Election Votes	Receipts	General Election Votes	Receipts
District 1						
Sean Rose		53.19		\$40,716	100.0	\$25,383
General election opponent		46.81		49,286		
District 2						
Candy Mero Carlson	52.71	70,507	56.29	52,746	100.0	32,137
General election opponent	47.29	22,542	43.71	8,889		
District 3						
George Russell	74.11	28,695	100.0	15,980	100.0	20,380
General election opponent	25.89	2,010				
District 4						
Sarai Rivera		100.0		3,100	100.0	600
General election opponent						
District 5						
Etel Haxhiaj	51.38	31,912	53.96	37,845		
General election opponent	48.62	35,715	46.04	16,428		

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Table 6: School Committee Races, 2023

Candidate	Status	Result	General Election Vote Percentage	Receipts*	Carryover from 2022	End Cash on Hand	Expenditures
Maureen Binienda	At Large	Won	33.85%	\$19,620	\$0	\$5,346	\$14,274
Susan Mailman (I)	At Large	Won	26.20	17,925	10,775	8,068	2,631
Tracy O'Connell Novick (I)	At Large	Lost	22.91	5,346	5,174	3,902	6,619
Laura Clancey (I)	At Large	Lost	17.05	3,740	1,202	2,583	2,359
Molly McCullough (I)	District A	Won	100.0	2,610	3,739	3,747	2,602
Vanessa Zuleyna Alvarez	District B	Won	100.0	0	0	0	0
Dianna Biancheria (I)	District C	Won	58.37	8,091	730	4,676	4,144
Jermoh Kamara (I)	District C	Lost	41.63	11,866	254	4,165	7,973
Alejandro Guardiola	District D	Won	100.0	10,635	0	4,837	5,778
Kathleen Roy	District E	Won	51.70	658	3,093	157	3,594
Nelly Medina	District E	Lost	48.30	3,695	0	678	3,015
<i>John Patrick Reed</i>	District E	Lost		1,830	0	189	1,641
Jermaine Johnson (I)	District F	Won	100.0	3,180	96	2,212	1,064
Total				\$89,196	\$25,063	\$40,560	\$55,694

* Includes candidate contributions and loans.

Candidates in *Italics* lost in the preliminary election.

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Table 7: School Committee Races, 2017-2023

Candidate	2023		2021		2019		2017	
	General Election Votes	Receipts	General Election Votes	Receipts	General Election Votes	Receipts	General Election Votes	Receipts
<i>Jermaine Johnson</i>	100.0	\$3,180	14.81%	\$14,697				
Susan Mailman	26.20	17,925	14.77	36,444				
<i>Molly McCullough</i>	100.0	2,610	13.63	4,005	9.39	5,545	14.1	4,642
Tracy O'Connell Novick	22.91	5,346	13.34	1,042	9.43	7,216		
<i>Jermoh Kamara</i>	41.63	11,866	13.31	15,558	8.34	5,829		
Laura Clancey	17.05	3,740	11.49	4,050	8.94	9,125		
Maureen Binienda	33.85	19,620						
<i>Vanessa Zuleyna Alvarez</i>	100.0	0						
<i>Alejandro Guardiola</i>	100.0	10,635						
<i>Kathleen Roy</i>	51.70	658						
<i>Nelly Medina</i>	48.30	3,695						
<i>John Patrick Reed</i>		1,830						
<i>Dianna Biancheria</i>	58.37	8,091	10.20	3,945	9.57	4,960	13.6	3,355
Shanel Soucy			8.46	11,810				
Foley, Jack					12.44	0	15.0	10
Monfredo, John					10.26	3,795	14.8	4,095
Trobaugh, John					7.53			
Berg-Powers, Cara					7.44	20,887		
Bethea, Chantal					6.46	1,890		
Martinez, Mariah					4.59	428		
McConner, Hermione						713		
O'Connell, Brian*					5.61	0	15.8	\$0
Mean, Incumbents		7,445		3,261		2,860		2,892
Mean, Nonincumbents		6,361		19,627		9,452		45,316
Total		89,196		91,551		89,917		62,668

Winners' vote percentages in **bold**. Candidates in *italics* ran in 2023 as district candidates. Candidates with contribution totals but no vote percentage listed were defeated in the preliminary election.

* O'Connell died shortly before the 2019 general election.