Emanuel's top third-term donors, with connections

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ABSTRACT (ENGLISH)

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FULL TEXT

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Donor Contributions Connection

Operating engineers unions $333,400 New water/sewer tax for city pension fund; crane safety legislation approved; union exec in Emanuel's Rome delegation for Cardinal Cupich ceremony.

Plumbers and pipefitters unions $215,600 Water/sewer fee increase boosts union jobs; water/sewer tax for city pension fund.

Electrical workers unions $151,500 New water/sewer tax for city pension fund; union exec in Emanuel's Rome delegation for Cardinal Cupich ceremony; union manager Don Finn appointed to workforce investment and tourism boards.

Laborers unions $107,800 Emanuel raised 911 tax to shore up city pension fund.

Lettuce Entertain You $99,400 Restaurants part of concession deal at O'Hare and Midway airports.

GCM Grosvenor $93,700 CEO Michael Sacks, vice chairman of World Business Chicago and top Emanuel confidant; managing partner Matt Hynes appointed to tourism board.

Chicago Trading Co. $59,300 Emanuel appealed to regulators to ease commodities futures trading rules; opposed calls for financial transactions tax.

Magellan Development Group $52,200 Development partner on proposed Wanda Vista skyscraper praised by Emanuel; President David Carlins appointed to World Business Chicago.

CRM Properties $50,000 City tax break for North Side retail center redevelopment; seeking zoning approval for residential tower.

Exelon $45,000 CEO Christopher Crane appointed to World Business Chicago; Emanuel joined company executives for city events.

Madison Dearborn $44,900 Co-CEO Sam Mencoff appointed to World Business Chicago; one-time investor in city contractor CDW Government.
C3 Presents $35,900 Approval for concert promoter's Lollapalooza, NFL draft, food/wine festival.
DLA Piper $35,700 Law firm helps clients get city zoning approvals, tax increment financing (TIF) funds.
Vornado Realty Trust $31,000 Firm's lobbyist seeking approval for downtown development; got approval for (Merchandise) Mart renovations.
Bricklayers union $30,000 New water/sewer tax for city pension fund.
Ironworkers unions $29,000 New water/sewer tax for city pension fund.
AT&T Employees PAC $26,300 Emanuel extended AT&T's $125 million telecommunications contract in January 2017.
Sheet metal workers unions $26,000 New water/sewer tax for city pension fund.
UNITE HERE $25,000 Chicago minimum wage increase favored by union, boosted worker salaries.
Beacon Capital Partners $22,400 Office building redevelopments; owner of building leased by CPS.
Outcome Health $21,600 Emanuel jobs announcement with company; ThinkChicago event with 200 elite students from Midwestern universities; made contributions as ContextMedia.
Winston &Strawn $21,000 Hired to conduct outside review of city Law Department; legal fees on city bond business.
Broadhaven Capital $19,500 Partner John Simpson appointed to Chicago Police Board.
Schiff Hardin LLP $19,350 Legal fees on bond issues, including $1.2 billion January borrowing.
Hubbard Inn $16,400 Part of concession deal at Midway Airport.
Gibsons Restaurant Group $16,000 Permit approvals, including sidewalk expansion and development of new restaurant; Managing Partner John Colletti appointed to tourism board.
Clayco $15,800 Emanuel joined CEO Robert Clark to announce headquarters move to Chicago; developer of projects in city.
Garrett Popcorn $15,000 Part of concession deal at Midway Airport.
Chicago Board Options Exchange $14,800 Emanuel supported tax breaks for commodities exchanges; opposes financial transactions tax; CEO Ed Tilly appointed to World Business Chicago.
Bucksbaum Realty $13,300 City approval for Wrigleyville, NewCity developments; CEO John Bucksbaum appointed to Lakeview special service area.
Motion Picture unions $12,500 Benefits from filming at Cinespace studio, which received city tax incentives.
Jeff Aronin $11,200 Appointed the CEO/chairman of Paragon Biosciences to World Business Chicago.
Chicago Mercantile Exchange $11,200 Emanuel supported tax breaks for commodities exchanges; opposes calls for financial transactions tax.
Guild Capital, LLC. $11,200 Owner of Techweek, a summit where Emanuel has made several speaking appearances, including in 2017.
Rooney family $11,200 R4 Services, headed by Trish Rooney Alden, has records storage contracts with city and City Colleges. Donations from family members.
Donald Edwards (Flexpoint) $10,800 Appointed to World Business Chicago and Park District board.
Premier Global Productions $10,800 Subcontractor with Lollapalooza, which has Park District deal.
FBR Management $10,800 Subcontractor with Lollapalooza, which has Park District deal.
Riot Hospitality $10,800 Business approvals, including sidewalk cafe for El Jefe bar and restaurant on Hubbard Street.
Howard Tullman/1871 $10,800 Emanuel frequently appeared at Tullman-run tech hub 1871; appointed to cultural advisory committee.
SMS Assist, LLC. $10,800 Emanuel made jobs announcement with company in June 2016.
AJ Capital Partners $10,800 Approval for developments including SoHo House, Thompson Chicago and Chicago Athletic Association; received city landmark tax breaks.

Flex-N-Gate $10,800 Got work training grant; Emanuel appeared at new manufacturing facility announcement.
Bartlit, Beck, Herman, Palenchar, Scott $10,600 Law partner appointed by Emanuel to Chicago Housing Authority board.
Cushman &Wakefield $10,400 Selected as real estate broker for sale of city's fleet garage.
William &Karen Krehbiel $10,000 Emanuel spoke at A Better Chicago's education summit, which Krehbiel runs; City Colleges partners with A Better Chicago grantee One Million Degrees.
Broadway in Chicago $10,000 President Lou Raizin appointed treasurer of tourism board.
CBRE $10,000 Company has five-year contract to manage Harold Washington Library, consulting contract with Planning Department; Leases out manufacturing facility that got city tax breaks.
Lagunitas $10,000 City approved rooftop expansion for the brewer in March 2017.
Painters union $10,000 New water/sewer tax for city pension fund.
Southern Glazer's Wine &Spirits $10,000 Presenting sponsor for Millennium Park wine tasting event that required Park District permit.
Stagehands union $10,000 Benefits from filming at Cinespace studio, which received city tax incentives.
Chef Tim Love $9,687 Partner in Chicago Food + Wine Festival that got Park District permit for event in Lincoln Park.
Martin J. Koldyke (AUSL) $9,300 Founder of Academy for Urban School Leadership (AUSL), which receives funding to take over troubled city schools.
L3 Hospitality $7,900 Business approval for restaurants; Emanuel attended ribbon cutting for NewCity project with an L3 restaurant.
Valor Equity $7,100 Valor CEO Antonio Gracias appointed to World Business Chicago; Gracias backs O'Hare high-speed rail effort with Elon Musk, whose firms Gracias invests in.
ComEd $6,000 CEO Anne Pramaggiore part of Emanuel delegation to Rome for Cardinal Cupich ceremony; Emanuel held several public events with ComEd.
One Off Hospitality $6,000 Publican restaurant part of O'Hare concessions contract.
Chopper Trading $5,600 Emanuel appealed to regulators to ease commodities futures trading rules for firms like Chopper.
Craig Duchossois $5,600 Appointed to World Business Chicago.
Invenergy $5,600 Exec named to ChicagoNext tech council; Emanuel mentioned company's charitable effort in news release.
Keith Ross (PDQ Enterprises) $5,600 High-speed trading firm exec often spokesman for the industry; Emanuel appealed to regulators to ease high speed, commodities futures trading rules for firms like PDQ.
Glen Tullman (Livongo Health) $5,600 City Colleges job training deal for Tullman's former company Allscripts; Emanuel appeared at Allscripts event.
DRW Trading Group $5,400 Founder Donald R. Wilson is developer of hotel projects; Emanuel appeared with Wilson to lobby federal regulators on trading; appointed to World Business Chicago.
Muneer Satter $5,400 Appointed to World Business Chicago.
Adamson Plumbing Contractors $5,400 Subcontractor on city projects, including Wacker Drive reconstruction and Midway rental car facility.
Akara Partners $5,400 Several development projects got zoning approval, including River North hotel.
Chris Gladwin (Ocient) $5,400 Entrepreneur named to ChicagoNext tech council.
Jones Lang LaSalle $5,400 Has five-year real estate management contract with Department of Fleet and Facilities Management.
Relativity $5,400 Emanuel appeared at company's headquarters for jobs announcement; ThinkChicago event with 200 elite students from Midwestern universities; gave as kCura.
Eric Lefkofsky (Lightbank) $5,400 Emanuel appointed Groupon co-founder to World Business Chicago; co-chair of Emanuel-supported Chicago Ideas Week.

Desiree Rogers $5,400 Appointed tourism board chair.
Jai Shekhawat $5,400 Invited to 2017 event to speak with international mayors; two Emanuel jobs announcements with Fieldglass founder; appointed to ChicagoNext tech council.
Sprout Social $5,400 Emanuel jobs announcement in July 2017; ThinkChicago event with 200 elite students from Midwestern universities.
United States Alliance Fire Protection $5,400 O'Hare fire prevention contract; backed Emanuel's enforcement of requiring sprinklers in high rises.
Vibes Media $5,400 Emanuel promoted business during headquarters tour; brought company reps on college recruitment trip.
ATI Physical Therapy $5,000 Chicago locations receive various city permits.
Boka Restaurant Group $5,000 Permits for two restaurant openings.
LP Ventures I $5,000 Partnership of restaurateur James Lasky and developer David Pisor got city approval for River North retail development.
New Congress LLC $5,000 Got permits as part of ongoing plan to redevelop Congress Theater; has plans before zoning board.
Thomas R. Raines $5,000 Attorney is a registered lobbyist who has sought zoning approval for various projects and lobbied City Hall on behalf of Cubs for approval of Wrigley Field plaza rules.
SAMCO Enterprises $5,000 Got permits for Old Crow bar and restaurant.
White Lodging $5,000 Building Moxy Hotel in River North; development partner on another River North hotel complex.
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