

Metadata Description

Data Dictionary - Contributions to Candidates from Committees

General Description

This file is a subset of the Itemized Records (OTH) file. The contributions to candidates from committees file contains each contribution or independent expenditure made by a PAC, party committee, candidate committee, or other federal committee to a candidate during the two-year election cycle.

Header file and file format information

A comma delimited header file is available for [download](#).

The end-of-line (EOL) marker is line feed '\n' (LF, 0x0A, 10 in decimal). The contributions to candidates from committees file contains the following information:

Column Name	Field Name	Position	Null?	Data Type	Description
CMTE_ID	Filer Identification Number	1	N	VARCHAR2 (9)	Identification number of committee filing report. A 9-character alpha-numeric code assigned to a committee by the Federal Election Commission
AMNDT_IND	Amendment Indicator	2	Y	VARCHAR2 (1)	Indicates if the report being filed is new (N), an amendment (A) to a previous report, or a termination (T) report.
RPT_TP	Report Type	3	Y	VARCHAR2 (3)	Indicates the type of report filed. List of report type codes
TRANSACTION_PGI	Primary-General Indicator	4	Y	VARCHAR2 (5)	This code indicates the election for which the contribution was made. EYYYY (election Primary, General, Other plus election year)
IMAGE_NUM	Image Number	5	Y	VARCHAR2 (11) or VARCHAR2(18)	11-digit Image Number Format YYOORRRFFFF YY - scanning year OO - office (01 - House, 02 - Senate, 03 - FEC Paper, 9x - FEC Electronic) RRR - reel number FFFF- frame number 18-digit Image Number Format (June 29, 2015) YYYYMMDDSSPPPPPPPP YYYY - scanning year MM - scanning month DD - scanning day SS - source (02 - Senate, 03 - FEC Paper, 9x - FEC Electronic) PPPPPPPP - page (reset to zero every year on January 1)
TRANSACTION_TP	Transaction Type	6	Y	VARCHAR2 (3)	Transaction types 24A, 24C, 24E, 24F, 24H, 24K, 24N, 24P, 24R and 24Z are included in the PAS2 file.

For more information about transaction type codes see this [list of transaction type codes](#)

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CAN = Candidate
CCM = Candidate Committee
COM = Committee
IND = Individual (a person)
ORG = Organization (not a committee and not a person)
PAC = Political Action Committee
PTY = Party Organization

ENTITY_TP	Entity Type	7	Y	VARCHAR2 (3)	
NAME	Recipient/Payee	8	Y	VARCHAR2 (200)	
CITY	City/Town	9	Y	VARCHAR2 (30)	
STATE	State	10	Y	VARCHAR2 (2)	
ZIP_CODE	Zip Code	11	Y	VARCHAR2 (9)	
EMPLOYER	Employer	12	Y	VARCHAR2 (38)	
OCCUPATION	Occupation	13	Y	VARCHAR2 (38)	
TRANSACTION_DT	Transaction Date(MMDDYYYY)	14	Y	DATE	
TRANSACTION_AMT	Transaction Amount	15	Y	NUMBER (14,2)	
OTHER_ID	Other Identification Number	16	Y	VARCHAR2 (9)	FEC ID of the recipient committee or the supported or opposed candidate ID.
CAND_ID	Candidate Identification Number	17	Y	VARCHAR2 (9)	Recipient Candidate ID. Candidate receiving money from the filing committee
TRAN_ID	Transaction ID	18	Y	VARCHAR2 (32)	ONLY VALID FOR ELECTRONIC FILINGS. A unique identifier associated with each itemization or transaction appearing in an FEC electronic file. A transaction ID is unique for a specific committee for a specific report. In other words, if committee, C1, files a Q3 New with transaction SA123 and then files 3 amendments to the Q3 transaction SA123 will be identified by transaction ID SA123 in all 4 filings.
FILE_NUM	File Number / Report ID	19	Y	NUMBER (22)	Unique report id
MEMO_CD	Memo Code	20	Y	VARCHAR2 (1)	'X' indicates that the amount is NOT to be included in the itemization total.
MEMO_TEXT	Memo Text	21	Y	VARCHAR2 (100)	A description of the activity. Memo Text is available on itemized amounts on Schedules A and B. These transactions are included in the itemization total.
SUB_ID	FEC Record Number	22	N	NUMBER (19)	Unique row ID

