**Link of the data source**

<https://data.austintexas.gov/City-Government/Campaign-Finance-Contributions/3kfv-biw6/about_data>

**Explanation of the data (where does it come from)**

The data comes from the Official City of Austin Data Portal. This dataset lists all contributions and pledges received by candidates, officeholders, and political committees on data files submitted per City Code Chapter 2-2-26.

**Contributions Dataset - Data Dictionary**

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| Field Name | Description |
| Donor | The name of the person, political committee, or organization that made a contribution or pledged (committed to contribute) funds. |
| Donor\_Type | Indicates whether the donor was an individual person (Individual) or an organization/political committee (Entity). |
| Donor\_Address | The street address of the donor who contributed or pledged funds. |
| City\_State\_Zip | The city, state and zip code of the donor who contributed or pledged funds. |
| Contribution\_Date | The date on which the donation or pledge was accepted by the recipient. |
| Contribution\_Year | The date on which the donation or pledge was accepted by the recipient. |
| Contribution\_Amount | The amount contributed or pledged. For donors who donated goods or services (a non-monetary, in-kind contribution), the estimated value of the goods or services provided. |
| Donor\_Reported\_Occupation | For individual contributors, their occupation or job title. |
| Donor\_Reported\_Employer | For individual contributors, their employer. |
| Contribution\_Type | The type of contribution made: monetary contribution, non-monetary (in-kind) contribution, or pledged contribution. |
| Recipient | The name of the candidate, officeholder, or political committee who accepted the contribution. |
| Date\_Reported | The date on which the contribution was reported to the Office of the City Clerk. |
| Report\_Filed | The type of document on which the contribution was reported to the Office of the City Clerk. |
| In\_Kind\_Description | For non-monetary, in-kind contributions, a description of the goods or services provided. |
| Out\_of\_State\_PAC\_ID | services provided. Out\_of\_State\_PAC\_ID If the donor was a political committee outside the state of Texas, their Federal Election Commission (FEC) identification number. |
| Correction | Indicates that the contribution reported on a row was filed on a correction form. 'New' in this field indicates a new donation, 'Modify' means that this row is an update to a previously reported donation. |
| View\_Report | A link to a scanned image of the report on which the contribution was reported to the Office of the City Clerk (opens a PDF in a new tab or window). |
| Transaction | The unique identification number of each reported contribution. |

Business Case:

Analyzing the data set to extrapolate insights and trends regarding contributions and pledges received by candidates, officeholders, and political committees in Austin, Texas. These Insights will visualised using BI tools.