

# U.S. Elections: The Mysterious Case Of Jill Stein's Surging Recount Costs

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*Just yesterday [we noted that Jill Stein](#) was acting on behalf of Hillary Clinton to raise money for recounts in Wisconsin, Michigan and Pennsylvania. As we noted then, we continue to be astonished by the amount of money flowing into the fundraising campaign and would love to see which of Hillary's mega donors have spent the most on the effort...somehow we suspect this isn't just a "grassroots organizing" effort as Stein described it.*

So, in less than 1 day, Jill Stein raised over \$3mm, which is more than the \$2mm needed to force a recount in Wisconsin. While she attributed the accomplishment to "the power of grassroots organizing," we would tend to be a little more skeptical and would love to see exactly where those donations came from. Then again, maybe we're wrong and there really are just that many disaffected snowflakes out there willing to blow their money on an extreme long shot.

But, today a new mystery has emerged in Stein's fundraising efforts. Apparently, the more money she raises the more expensive the recount effort becomes. Courtesy of the Wayback Machine we have the following snapshots from her fundraising page over the past couple of days:

[November 24, 2016 at 3:46AM](#) - In the beginning, Stein figured she needed a total of \$2.5mm to fund her recount efforts. That figure included \$2.2mm for the actual filing fees and presumably another \$0.3mm for legal fees and other costs.



[November 24, 2016 at 1:20PM](#) - Then, just 12 hours later, after the cash just kept flowing in, Stein figured she needed at least another \$2mm as her fundraising goal was raised to \$4.5mm in total. Of course, the filing fees of \$2.2mm didn't change but the "attorney's fees" apparently surged by about 300% and the total costs of the effort skyrocketed to \$6-7mm.



[November 25, 2016 at 6:11AM](#) - Now, just this morning as Stein approaches \$5mm in total donations, her overall fundraising goal has surged once again and now stands at \$7mm.



So, with nearly \$5mm raised so far, the question is no longer whether recounts will occur in WI, MI and PA but just how much Jill Stein will be able to drain from the pockets of disaffected Hillary supporters to fund her long-shot efforts.

All that said, here is Jill Stein admitting to CNN that she has absolutely no evidence of election hacking....even though she asks that you please keep sending your money anyway.

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And another where she says she would have challenged the election result even if Hillary won...though somehow we suspect she wouldn't have been able to raise quite so much money under that scenario.

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