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Issue One Illuminates Dark Money

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Issue One* reveals that **15** Dark Money Groups spent more than **\$600 million** in **secret** money in our elections from January 2010 to December 2016. This accounts for **75%** of the all the **dark money** spent.

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“The majority of this money was spent on **negative ads**, criticizing candidates from the shadows while purposefully **hiding their donors** and **masquerading** as trade associations or “social welfare” nonprofits.”

Issue One profiles the **top 15** money groups and shines light on approximately **400 donors** and donor organizations.

The 15 Dark Money Groups are:

- [U.S. Chamber of Commerce](#) - \$130M
- [Crossroads GPS](#) - \$110M
- [Americans for Prosperity](#) - \$59M
- [National Rifle Association](#) - \$58M
- [American Future Fund](#) - \$51M
- [American Action Network](#) - \$44M
- [League of Conservation Voters](#) - \$34M
- [National Association of Realtors](#) - \$31M
- Americans for Job Security - \$25M (no website) - [2012 report](#)
- [45Commitee](#) - \$22M
- [Americans for Tax Reform](#) - \$20M
- [Patriot Majority USA](#) - \$18M
- [60 Plus Association](#) - \$13M
- [VoteVets Action Fund](#) - \$11M
- [Planned Parenthood Action Fund](#) - \$11M

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