1. Record Nr. UNINA9910462095303321 Autore Francia Peter L Titolo The Financiers of Congressional Elections [[electronic resource]]: Investors, Ideologues, and Intimates New York, : Columbia University Press, 2010 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 0-231-51302-X Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (219 p.) Collana Power, Conflict, and Democracy: American Politics Into the 21st Century Altri autori (Persone) HerrnsonPaul S GreenJohn C PowellLynda W WilcoxClyde Disciplina 324.7/8/0973 324.780973 Soggetti Campaign funds -- United States United States. Congress -- Elections -- Finance Electronic books. Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. CONTENTS; Preface; Chapter 1: Introduction; Chapter 2: Who Are the Nota di contenuto Financiers of Congressional Elections?; Chapter 3: What Motivates Donors?; Chapter 4: Candidates, Donors, and Fundraising Techniques; Chapter 5: The Contribution; Chapter 6: The Donors Contact Congress; Chapter 7: Congressional Donors and Campaign Reform; Chapter 8: Conclusion; Appendix: Methodology; Notes; References; INDEX Individual donors play a critical role in financing congressional Sommario/riassunto elections, accounting for more than half of all money raised in House campaigns. But significant donors (defined here as those contributing more than 200) are the least understood participants in the system. Defenders assert that contributing money to campaigns is part of a broader pattern of civic involvement and is free speech that gives a voice to various interests. Detractors argue that these contributions are undemocratic, enabling wealthy citizens to overwhelm the voices of the

many and to promote narrow business