

Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission: Democracy Voucher Program Update

Commission Meeting: December 4, 2024

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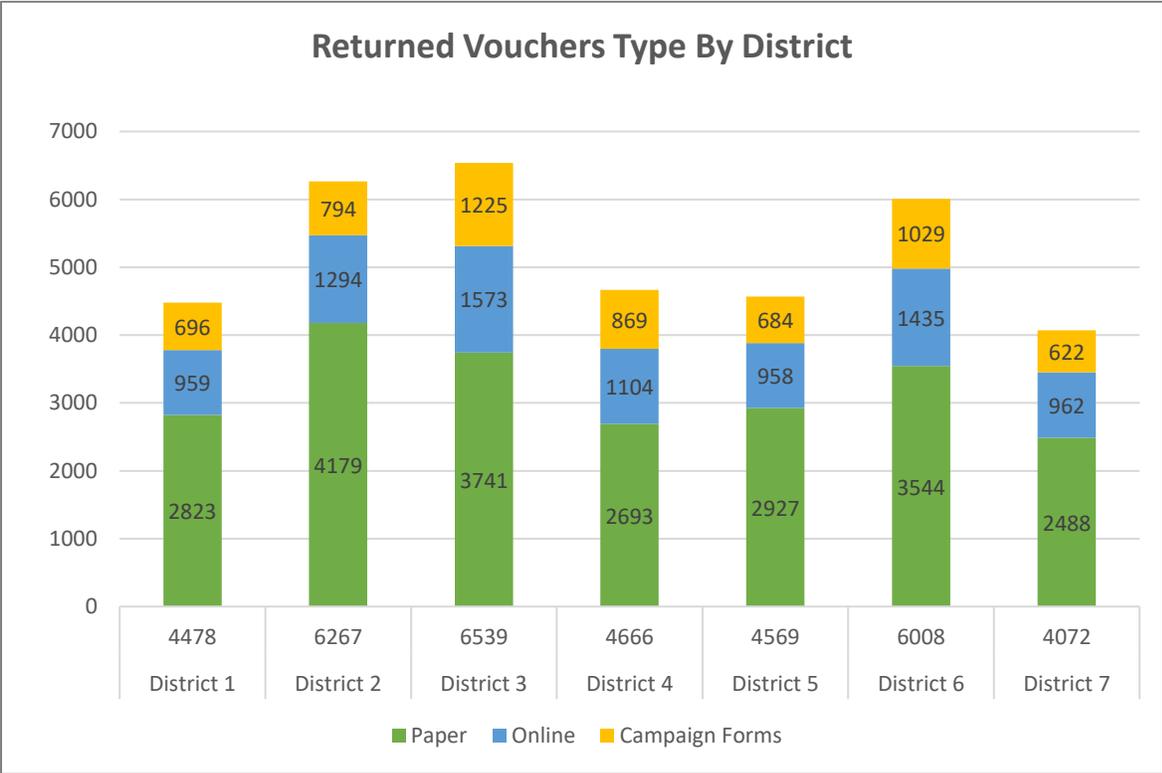
Invoiced \$766,025, representing 30,642 redeemed vouchers.

Democracy Vouchers

36,599 vouchers have been returned, representing 18,520 Seattle residents.

- Paper: 22,395
- Online: 8,285
- Campaign Replacement Form: 5,919

Utilization of Available Program Funds by Campaigns			
Year	Available Funds	Distributed Funds	Utilization Rate
2017	\$3,000,000	\$1,140,525	38%
2019	\$4,200,000	\$2,454,475	58%
2021	\$6,800,000	\$3,397,050	50%
2023	\$5,250,000	\$2,286,750	44%
2024	\$1,800,000	\$766,025	43%
Total	\$21,050,000	\$10,044,825	43%



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Democracy Voucher Outreach Fund – 2025 Awards

Eleven organizations were awarded for a total of \$305k.

Asian Counseling and Referral Services (ACRS)	\$30,000
Chinese Information and Service Center (CISC)	\$30,000
Dignity for Divas	\$28,312
Eritrean Association of Greater Seattle (EAGS)	\$30,000
Horn of Africa Services	\$27,260
Literacy Source	\$29,549
Orquesta Northwest	\$15,450
Refugee Women’s Alliance (ReWa)	\$30,000
Somali Cultural Center	\$25,000
Somali Health Board	\$30,000
Villa Comunitaria	\$30,000