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## **\$26 MILLION FOR GAVIN NEWSOM IN PRIMARY SO FAR**

### **As Gavin Newsom’s Campaign Spends Millions Attacking Democrats and Boosting Republican John Cox, FTA Launches Two New Ads in Governor’s Race**

Families and Teachers for Antonio, an independent expenditure committee supporting Antonio Villaraigosa for Governor, launched a new statewide TV campaign, releasing two ads.

The first ad, “Work” depicts Newsom’s record as Mayor during the worst oil spill in two decades hit San Francisco. When the city’s Port Director ordered evacuations, warning that the oil spill was a a major problem, Newsom said he thought she was having “a bit of an over-reaction.” After more reports of the significance of the disaster, Newsom “jetted off” for “a Hawaiian vacation... in the wake of the spill.” [SF Chronicle, 11/14/07; 12/4/07] See the full ad here: <https://youtu.be/gZfkaxhN1yk>

The second ad, “Guys,” chronicles Newsom’s decades’ long pattern of “boasting, overselling his achievements, and making false claims” and that, “as lieutenant governor, he skipped many of his duties saying the job was ‘so dull’ he only shows up to work at the state Capital ‘like one day a week, tops.’” To see the full ad, click here: <https://youtu.be/QnJe8L9eqFw>

“With Gavin Newsom spending nearly \$18 million in the primary, with millions spent attacking Democrats and boosting Republican John Cox, Newsom left us with no other choice than to respond to his negative campaigning,” said Democratic consultant Josh Pulliam.

### **Total Campaign Contributions/Expenditures for Gavin Newsom and pro-Newsom IEs**

Newsom Spent through 5/19	\$15,569,901
Newsom TV Buy Since 5/19	\$2,130,000
Citizens for Newsom	\$4,738,590
Education Orgs for Newsom	\$1,336,984
Nurses for Newsom	\$1,218,251
AAVREP for Newsom	\$630,000
CCSEA IE Committee	\$125,000
<b>TOTAL TO DATE</b>	<b>\$25,748,726</b>