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Celia for Austin Campaign Raises \$253k from over 2,000 contributions

Israel's "people powered" campaign built without corporate dollars

AUSTIN, TX – Today, Representative Celia Israel's campaign for mayor of Austin reported that they have raised \$253,306 from more than 2,000 individual contributions—an average of \$125 per contribution.

"Celia has built a true grassroots campaign—entirely free from corporate contributions," said campaign manager Rich Thuma. "Our campaign will have the resources we need to build an unprecedented outreach program and deliver Celia's message directly to voters who are fed up with the status quo in Austin, which has failed to keep our city affordable for the people who build and serve it."

Thuma pointed out that progressive candidates—especially women of color—have consistently won races in progressive districts and cities against corporate-funded institutional candidates over the past few years.

"From Summer Lee to Delia Ramirez to Michelle Wu—progressive women are winning big by talking to voters, not raking in corporate dollars," Thuma continued.

Israel thanked all those who have supported her campaign so far.

"A big thank you to all those small-dollar donors who believe in our mission and our fight to make Austin more affordable, protect the basic rights and safety of women, and build a city that works for everyone," said Israel. "Esta campaña es para todos—this is a campaign for all."

More information about Rep. Celia Israel can be found at www.celiaforaustin.com.

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