

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is NAMAPAC?

NAMAPAC is the convenience services industry's political action committee funded by personal money that individuals contribute. In turn, NAMA distributes it to current and prospective Members of Congress as political donations to be used for their campaigns.

What does NAMAPAC do for the Convenience Services industry?

NAMAPAC supports Congressional leaders who understand our issues, our needs and our concerns. Contributing to NAMAPAC is a business decision to help build and sustain relationships with Members of Congress.

Addressing public policy issues is the foundation of the National Automatic Merchandising Association, and the PAC is one of the most important tools NAMA uses to achieve this goal. Issues such as health and nutrition, food safety, labeling regulations, changes to coin and currency, and other small business issues impact our collective ability to thrive and realize success in the marketplace.

Why should I contribute to NAMAPAC?

Supporting NAMAPAC is a direct and tangible method to ensure your voice is heard. If you are frustrated with ineffective policies and regulations that interfere with the success of your business, NAMAPAC is your opportunity to advocate for change. NAMA, its Government Affairs committee, and the NAMAPAC committee are committed to achieving common-sense improvements to the political and regulatory landscape impacting convenience services. Your voluntary support is essential to meeting these goals.

Who will know if I contribute to NAMAPAC?

Contributors to NAMAPAC will be recognized at the NAMA OneShow, the NAMA Fly-in & Advocacy Summit, NAMA CTW, Executive Forum, and board meetings. Your exact contribution amount will remain confidential, but your category/level of contribution may be highlighted.

BY LAW, if you contribute more than \$200 in aggregate during a calendar year, your contribution amount, name, address, occupation, and employer must be reported, to the Federal Election Commission (FEC). This report, along with other information regarding other receipts and disbursements made by NAMAPAC will be publicly available on the FEC's website.

Does NAMAPAC support one political party over another?

NAMA advocates for the interests of the convenience services industry, not the interests of a political party. NAMAPAC is bipartisan and contributions are made irrespective of political party or affiliation.

How does NAMAPAC decide which candidates to contribute to?

Decisions to support candidates are based on the following criteria:

- The candidate's position on specific business and policy issues that have an impact on the convenience services industry.
- The candidate's overall support for the convenience services industry.
- The candidate's leadership and membership on key committees with jurisdiction over issues impacting the convenience services industry.
- The candidates position on general business issues.
- The candidate's character, integrity and leadership abilities.
- Recommendations from NAMA Members and NAMAPAC Contributors.

How much am I allowed to contribute to NAMAPAC?

An individual may make contributions to a political action committee, subject to the limit of \$5,000 per calendar year.