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## A warm September departs in gloom

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September 2016 ended somberly Friday night, in fog, drizzle and mist that did not seem to suggest how uncommonly warm the month had been.

Friday's gray gloom showed little affinity with the blaze of summer. However, it ended a month that said little of fall and seemed mainly to be an extension of the

hot-weather season.

The average temperature for the month was 76 degrees.

That figure was five degrees above normal. National Weather Service records, dating back to 1871, show only two warmer Septembers in Washington.

In 1881, the average September temperature, for reasons not readily apparent, was 78.2, more than a degree above anything be-

This 76-degree September - as recorded at the official measuring station at Reagan National Airport - is also cooler than that of 1980, a year still remembered for its fearsome heat.

The month is tied for third with 1930, when the temperature was also 76. September of last year had an average temperature of 74.9.

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odern-day campaign les were put in place in Os in the wake of the gate scandal, no president s ever been elected with the nelp of wealthy contributors who doled out such huge sums. The possibilities changed with the 2010 advent of super PACs, which can accept unlimited sums from individuals and corporations.

"I would prefer if the limits were much smaller, but that's the way it is," Abraham, 92, said in an interview. He and his late wife made 26 contributions to the Clintons' campaigns between 1994 and 2008, which together totaled \$461,000, according to a database built by The Post. This year, he has given nearly 21 times that amount.

Sussman, Clinton's top backer, said his top priority is dismantling the big-money system that has flourished in the wake of the Supreme Court's Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission decision.

"It's very odd to be giving millions when your objective is to actually get the money out of politics," Sussman said. "I am a very strong supporter of publicly financed campaigns, and I think the only way to accomplish that is to get someone like Secretary Clinton, who is committed to cleaning up the unfortunate disaster created by the activist court in Citizens United."

Clinton has emerged as both one of the sharpest critics and biggest beneficiaries of the new campaign-finance landscape.

On the campaign trail, she has repeatedly called for an overhaul of how elections are financed and vowed to overturn the Citizens United ruling, which allowed corporations to spend money on independent political activity. She has also pledged to sign an executive order requiring federal contractors to disclose political spending and to create a matching system for small donors in federal races.

"More than 2.6 million Americans have donated to this campaign because they know Hillary Clinton is the best candidate to bring us toward a more inclusive society with an economy that Democratic presidential nominee Hillary Clinton visits an early voting

## How \$2 billion flowed to support Bill and Hillary Clinton

2008 presidential \$254.9M 2006 Senate \$60.4M 2000 Senate \$30.2M Legal defense fund -

\$8.7M 1996 presidential \$362.1M 1992 presidential

2016 presidential \$1.1B

\$103M

The Clintons raised \$2 billion in support of their political efforts between 1992 and 2016. More than half went to support Hillary's 2016 presidential campaign.

\$2

billion

## Hillary's top political patrons in 2016

Ten percent of donations to Hillary's 2016 presidential campaign came from 10 patrons, totaling \$103 million collectively.



\$171.3M

1. S. Donald Sussman: hedge fund manager

\$20.6 million



2. M.K. and J.B. Pritzker: philanthropist, venture capitalist



3. Cheryl and Haim Saban: author, Univision chairman

\$11.9



4. George Soros: hedge fund founder

\$9.9



5. S. Daniel Abraham: SlimFast founder

\$9.7



6. Fred Eychaner: media company owner

\$9.3



7. Marilyn and James Simons: philanthropist, hedge fund manager

\$7.5



8. Marsha and Henry Laufer: speech pathologist, hedge fund dir.

\$6.9



9. Laure Woods: medical consultant

\$5.8



10. Plumbers and Pipefitters Union

\$4.8 MACHINER THACK VOOLBE

Note: Totals include donations to the Democratic Party and convention host committees during their presidential campaigns. Hillary's 2016 total includes contributions to allied super PACs.

Source: Washington Post analysis of Federal Election Commission data

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Top allies have financed not their legal needs and their philanthropy. About half of the mon-

As she ramped up her 2016 bid, only their political causes, but Clinton's advisers worried that her call for a constitutional amendment to overturn Citizens

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