

# Hansjörg Wyss: The Swiss Billionaire Influencing U.S. Politics

## The Left's Foreign Megadonor

**One of the most influential figures in American politics is not even a U.S. citizen: Swiss billionaire Hansjörg Wyss.**

Wyss uses two nonprofits – Wyss Foundation and Berger Action Fund – to [fund](#) liberal advocacy groups across the U.S. In total, Wyss' orgs have spent \$652 million supporting left-wing political causes: \$467 million through Berger Action Fund and \$185 million through

### Key Groups Receiving Foreign Money from Wyss

| GROUP                                   | TOTAL         |
|---|---------------|
| Sixteen Thirty Fund                     | \$278,475,000 |
| Fund For A Better Future                | \$102,698,000 |
| New Venture Fund                        | \$81,803,700  |
| League Of Conservation Voters Network   | \$29,052,100  |
| Resources Legacy Fund                   | \$17,937,531  |
| Center on Budget and Policy Priorities  | \$16,212,000  |
| Center for Popular Democracy Network    | \$10,825,000  |
| Center for American Progress Network    | \$10,305,000  |
| ACLU Network                            | \$8,745,000   |
| Washington Center for Equitable Growth  | \$7,955,000   |
| Indivisible Project                     | \$6,455,000   |
| Planned Parenthood Network              | \$5,995,200   |
| Constitutional Accountability Center    | \$5,210,000   |
| National Redistricting Action Fund      | \$5,000,000   |
| Our American Future Action              | \$5,000,000   |
| DEMOS                                   | \$4,275,000   |
| WorkMoney Inc.                          | \$3,500,000   |
| ClimateWorks Foundation                 | \$3,000,000   |
| Earthjustice Legal Defense Fund         | \$2,856,561   |
| Moms Rising Together                    | \$2,375,000   |
| Center for Law and Social Policy        | \$2,250,000   |
| States Newsroom                         | \$2,140,000   |
| Color of Change Education Fund          | \$2,000,000   |
| Tides Network                           | \$1,970,000   |
| Sierra Club Network                     | \$1,957,400   |
| American Constitution Society           | \$1,320,000   |
| NRDC                                    | \$996,000     |
| Leadership Conference Network           | \$925,000     |
| Campaign Legal Center                   | \$750,000     |
| National Council of La Raza Action Fund | \$750,000     |
| NARAL                                   | \$625,000     |
| Priorities USA                          | \$500,000     |

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How Much Wyss' Nonprofits Have Spent Influencing U.S. Politics

**“Swiss Billionaire Quietly Becomes Influential Force Among Democrats”**

THE NEW YORK TIMES

## Wyss Foundation.

### IMPACTING POLITICS & POLICY

Many of the groups that Wyss funds are heavily invested in campaign activities, such as “get-out-the-vote” operations, partisan-driven voter registration, [ballot initiatives](#), and attack ads. Other recipients play a significant role in advancing left-wing policies, including environmental issues, abortion, and the judicial system.

One of the largest destinations for Wyss' foreign money is Sixteen Thirty Fund, an organization under the Arabella Advisors dark money [network](#). Sixteen Thirty Fund acts as a hub for funneling dark money into liberal campaigns at every level, from the Presidency to local ballot issues. In all, Wyss' Berger Action Fund has given over \$278 million to Sixteen Thirty Fund.

Other key groups on the left that have received money from Wyss include Fund For A Better Future, Center for American Progress, the League of Conservation Voters, Indivisible, Planned Parenthood, and the National Redistricting Action Fund.