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With Soros Money Flowing to Anti-police Candidates, Will Defund the Police Become an Issue Again?

Even as “moderate” Democrats appear to be backing off of the politically toxic “Defund the Police” movement, a Fox News Digital review of campaign-finance records has found that more than a few anti-police Democrats are the recipients of quiet bankrolling by the Soros family.

Fox News reports that billionaire George Soros — long known for being so liberal that any distinction between him and a socialist/communist fades into the background — and his daughter, Andrea Soros Colombel, are “bankrolling two entities that are supporting far-left politicians who back defunding the police.”



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Funneling money to the anti-police mob through “a joint fundraising committee and a PAC attached to the efforts,” Soros is just playing the same game he has been playing for much of his “philanthropic” career. As Fox News [reports](#):

George Soros has long supported overhauling the criminal justice system. The financier has poured tens of millions into district attorney races and has dished out large sums to groups focused on police reform efforts, including financing a hub used by progressive activists pushing to dismantle the police.

The Soros funds benefit standing hard-left Democratic politicians as well as hard-left Democratic up-and-comers. From the Fox report:

The joint fundraising venture, called [Lead the Way 2022](#), includes the Way to Lead PAC, Missouri Rep. Cori Bush’s campaign committee, and the campaigns of the 12 other progressive politicians attempting to enter Congress.

Whereas Soros has lived in this spotlight for years, his daughter has — for the most part — laid low. But as the Fox News Digital review of campaign-finance records shows, “she is propping up the current joint fundraising committee benefiting Bush and the other far-left politicians for the 2022 elections.” As Fox reports:

According to Federal Election Commission records, Andrea Soros Colombel has [shelled](#) out \$100,000 to Lead the Way 2022, the joint fundraising effort that includes the Way to Lead PAC and the campaigns of the progressive candidates.

George Soros has separately pushed cash into the Way to Lead PAC, which is attached to



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the joint fundraising effort. The financier [moved](#) \$100,000 from his Democracy PAC over to the Way to Lead's non-contribution account, which can be used on advertisements supporting or opposing candidates.

The funds from Andrea and George Soros put them among Lead the Way 2022's and Way to Lead's top [respective backers](#) for the 2022 elections.

Those two entities, in turn, are supporting Bush and the progressive hopefuls as they look to expand the "Squad's" ranks within Congress.

The movement to defund police saw its heyday — and its peak of influence — in the wake of the death of George Floyd in May of 2020. In the months following that death, BLM, Antifa, and other leftist foot soldiers burned and pillaged their way through more than 200 American cities. During and after that reign of terror, [the "Squad"](#) — already comprised of Representatives Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez of New York, Ilhan Omar of Minnesota, Ayanna Pressley of Massachusetts, and Rashida Tlaib of Michigan — grew by two members, Cori Bush of Missouri and Jamaal Bowman of New York.

And while the anti-police movement gained some ground in those days, with cities across America slashing police budgets and even "moderate" Democrats joining in the frenzy, the tactic backfired as escalating crime drove many of those same cities to reverse course. In the end, #DefundThePolice became a toxic slogan for all but the best-protected Democrats.

The "Squad" — heavily funded by Soros — is the congressional tip of the spear where anti-police rhetoric and action are concerned. This new report from Fox shows that Soros money is far from drying up. In fact, in this cycle alone, Lead the Way 2022 has dumped nearly \$40,000 into Bush's campaign. And as Fox reports:

It has also disbursed money to the others in the collaborative fundraising venture, many of whom also back defunding the police.

Rana Abdelhamid, who is running in New York's 12th congressional district, has received \$28,000 from Lead the Way 2022. Abdelhamid has called defunding law enforcement a feminist "priority" in now-deleted Instagram posts.

And:

Kina Collins, a candidate in Illinois' 7th district, was also provided \$28,000 by Lead the Way 2022. Collins participated in a defund the police rally and has called for the abolition of the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

Odessa Kelly, attempting to win a House seat in Tennessee's 7th district, was given nearly \$41,000 from Lead the Way 2022. Kelly signaled her support for defunding the police in an interview with Our Data Bodies.

Fox details more such financing of similar candidates in its report, but that sampling should suffice to illustrate that the money Soros is funneling to hard-left Democratic candidates is directly tied to his — and their — plans to defund the police.

So, while the movement has waned for some time now, Americans should expect to see it begin to wax



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as Soros pumps it full of money. Given the dismal polling of Biden and other Democrats, the 2022 midterms are likely to be rough indeed on Democrats. But Soros has campaign money to spare and there's always 2024.



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