



Govrn White Paper Outline

- I. **Problems in U.S. Campaign Finance, Government transparency, and Politics**
A U.S. - based analysis of current trends in political spending, two-party system duopoly, and public trust in government and democracy.

- II. **Vision: Open Source, Positive Sum Politics**
A call for transparent politics where politicians can spend less time dialing for dollars and more time working for constituents; where constituent voices are heard and centered beyond the pre-election rush; and where subject matter experts are able to more easily contribute to policymaking.

- III. **Literature Review/Existing Solutions and Innovations in Governance**
A summary of existing research and case studies on collaborative governance, innovation in the public sector, campaign finance reform, and crowdsourcing/collective intelligence.

- IV. **Govrn's Outcome-Based Donation (OBD) Solution**
Why we think outcome-based donations can benefit the public, politicians, and academics/practitioners.

- V. **Limitations**
A summary of problems that outcome-based donations are not equipped to address as well as delineation of risks and future work that must be done to mitigate these risks.

- VI. **Current work**
An update on Govrn's research so far.

VII. Ongoing work

A comprehensive dive into every mechanism and system design choice that Govrn must make for outcome-based donations to work. We will cover one topic at a time, including but not limited to data policy, defining outcomes, metric creation, equitability, and handling spatiotemporal resolution.

VIII. Call to action

An invitation to join the Govrn movement and concrete ways to contribute.