

KELLY KIRSCHNER IS A REFORMER FOCUSED ON LOWERING COSTS, CHALLENGING CORRUPTION, AND PROTECTING LOCAL CONTROL... AS FORMER MAYOR OF SARASOTA, HE HAS A RECORD OF TAKING ON POWERFUL DEVELOPERS AND WINNING.

Kirschner's First Priority Is Lowering The Cost Of Living. "My first priority is lowering the cost of living for Gulf Coast families — and protecting the healthcare and retirement security you've already earned. On day one, I will get to work on: - Lowering insurance, healthcare, and prescription drug costs by creating an insurance backstop, repeal cuts to Medicare and Medicaid, and allow government to negotiate for lower prescription drug prices. - Expand affordable housing and stop Wall Street from buying up single-family homes and gouging renters. - Protect people with pre-existing conditions, and keep Social Security, Medicare, and Medicaid, the promises they've always been — an earned right. - Invest in affordable energy that lowers your bills. - Tear up the tax breaks that let billionaires pay less than we do." [Local Candidates, Kelly Kirschner, Accessed [9/29/26](#)]

As Mayor And Commissioner, Kirschner Took On Special Interests Like Developers, Walmart, And Florida Power & Light. "As a neighborhood activist, mayor and commissioner, he successfully took on interests like Florida Power & Light, Walmart and developers." [Longboat Observer, [5/7/26](#)]

Sarasota Herald Tribune: "And Mayor Kelly Kirschner Has Already Suggested Publicly That The City Could Start Its Own Electric Utility, If FPL Will Not Make A Deal." [Sarasota Herald Tribune, 6/13/10]

HEADLINE: "New Voice, New Hope In Housing Debate." [Sarasota Herald Tribune, 4/15/07]

HEADLINE: "Some On City Board Criticize Downtown Project's Design." [Sarasota Herald Tribune, 2/26/08]

HEADLINE: "Sarasota Rejects Deal For Hotel In Close Vote." [Sarasota Herald Tribune, 7/18/08]

Walmart's Plans For A Supercenter Walmart Were Rejected By City Commissioners. "Sarasota, Florida - Walmart's plans to put another store in Sarasota are once again met with opposition. Last week, Sarasota city commissioners rejected Walmart's plans for a Supercenter Walmart and now the company is targeting the county, but needs the land rezoned." [WTSP, [3/6/13](#)]

SYDNEY GRUTERS IS THE ULTIMATE INSIDER

HEADLINE: "With Donald Trump Endorsement, Sydney Gruters Dominating Primary Field." [Florida Politics, [5/13/26](#)]

HEADLINE: "Sydney Gruters, Wife Of R.N.C. Chair, Wins House Primary In Florida With Trump's Backing." [The New York Times, [8/18/26](#)]

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Gruters Made Over \$270,000 In Total Compensation For FY 2025 At The New College Foundation.

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(18) Sydney Gruters NCF Executive Director	40.0			X				201,000	0	69,385

[New College Foundation, 990 filing, Submitted [12/11/25](#)]

...WITH CLOSE TIES TO MAJOR DEVELOPERS...

Gruters Took A Max Donation From Carlos Beruff, CEO Of Medallion Home.

CARLOS BERUFF	1651 WHITFIELD AVENUE UNIT 200 SARASOTA, Florida 34243	MEDALLION HOME / CEO	EARMARKED THROUGH WINRED: SEE REDESIGNATION			04/02/2026	7000.00	7000.00	
CARLOS BERUFF	1651 WHITFIELD AVENUE UNIT 200 SARASOTA, Florida 34243	MEDALLION HOME / CEO	REDESIGNATION TO GENERAL	MEMO		04/02/2026	-3500.00	7000.00	LIMITS
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Medallion Homes Drew State Scrutiny For Its Actions Around The Long Bar Pointe Development For Intruding Into Wetland Buffers. “The Florida Department of Environmental Protection has issued a warning letter to Long Bar Pointe LLLP and Medallion Homes after finding violations related to a mangrove trimming permit in the area of developer Carlos Beruff's Aqua by the Bay project. On June 17 and August 25, FDEP officials conducted on-water inspections at the Long Bar Pointe mitigation bank, a follow-up to two previous inspections by the department. FDEP inspectors observed instances where the foliage had been reduced beyond the permitted limits as well as trimmed tree debris left in the wetland area from a previous trimming event.” [The Bradenton Times, [9/14/22](#)]

HEADLINE: “FDEP Issues Warning Letter For Mangrove Trimming At Long Bar Pointe.” [The Bradenton Times, [9/14/22](#)]

Gruters Took A Max Contribution From Janelle Beruff, Owner Of Squared Engineering.

JANELLE BERUFF	1651 WHITFIELD AVENUE UNIT 200 SARASOTA, Florida 34243	B-SQUARED ENGINEERING / OWNER	EARMARKED THROUGH WINRED: SEE REDESIGNATION			04/02/2026	7000.00	7000.00	
JANELLE BERUFF	1651 WHITFIELD AVENUE UNIT 200 SARASOTA, Florida 34243	B-SQUARED ENGINEERING / OWNER	REDESIGNATION TO GENERAL	MEMO		04/02/2026	-3500.00	7000.00	LIMITS
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Gruters Took A Max Contribution From Mori Hosseini, The CEO Of ICI Homes.

MORI HOSSEINI	2379 BEVILLE ROAD DAYTONA BEACH, Florida 32119	ICI HOMES / CHAIRMAN AND CEO				06/02/2026	7000.00	7000.00	
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JOHN CANNON	6710 PROFESSIONAL PKWY STE 100 LAKEWOOD RANCH, Florida 34240	JOHN CANNAN HOME / OWNER	SEE REDESIGNATION			06/11/2026	7000.00	7000.00	
JOHN CANNON	6710 PROFESSIONAL PKWY STE 100 LAKEWOOD RANCH, Florida 34240	JOHN CANNAN HOME / OWNER	REDESIGNATION TO GENERAL	MEMO		06/11/2026	-3500.00	7000.00	LIMITS
JOHN CANNON	6710 PROFESSIONAL PKWY STE 100 LAKEWOOD RANCH, Florida 34240	JOHN CANNAN HOME / OWNER	REDESIGNATION FROM PRIMARY	MEMO		06/11/2026	3500.00	7000.00	LIMITS
PHILLIPA CANNON	6710 PROFESSIONAL PKWY STE 100 LAKEWOOD RANCH, Florida 34240	JOHN CANNAN HOME / OWNER	SEE REDESIGNATION			06/11/2026	7000.00	7000.00	
PHILLIPA CANNON	6710 PROFESSIONAL PKWY STE 100 LAKEWOOD RANCH, Florida 34240	JOHN CANNAN HOME / OWNER	REDESIGNATION TO GENERAL	MEMO		06/11/2026	-3500.00	7000.00	LIMITS
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Gruters Took \$7,000 From John Cox, Owner Of Halfacre Construction.

JOHN J COX, III	7015 PROFESSIONAL PKWY LAKEWOOD RANCH, Florida 34240	HALFACRE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY / PRESIDENT & OWNER				06/11/2026	7000.00	7000.00	
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Gruters Took A Max Contribution Of \$7,000 From Jeff Jackson, CEO Of Cabinet Works Group.

JEFF JACKSON	601 N OWL DR SARASOTA, Florida 34236	CABINET WORKS GROUP / CEO	EARMARKED THROUGH WINRED			05/29/2026	7000.00	7000.00	
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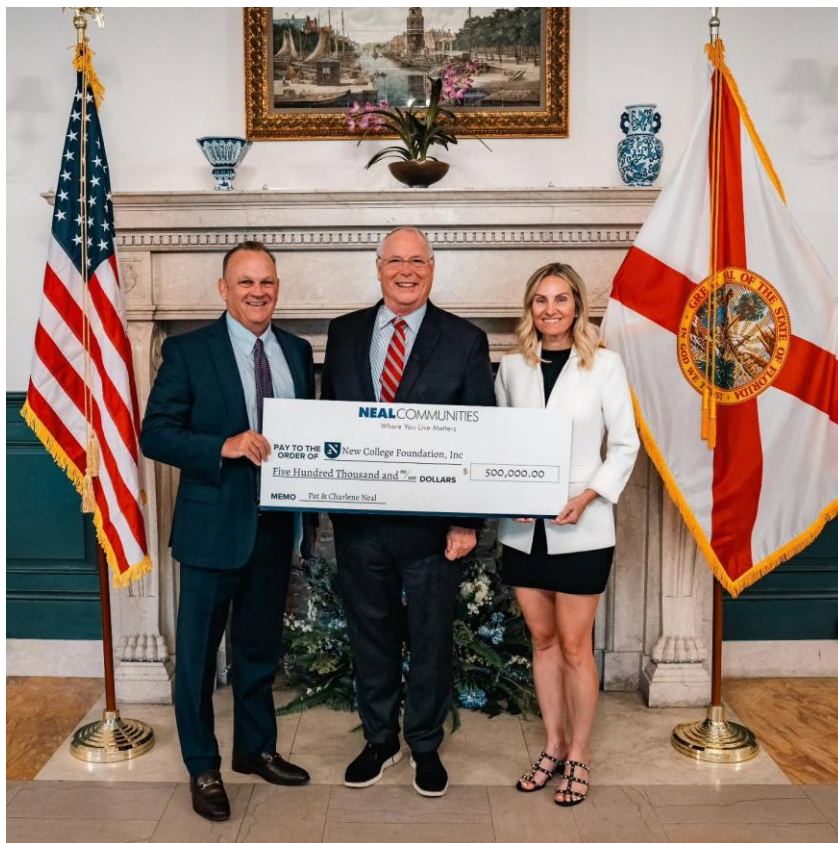
Gruters Received \$5,000 From Larry Lieberman Of The Barrington Group.

LARRY P LIEBERMAN	727 S ORANGE AVENUE SARASOTA, Florida 34236	THE BARRINGTON GROUP, INC. / PRESIDENT / REAL ESTATE DEVELOPER	SEE REDESIGNATION			06/11/2026	5000.00	5000.00	
LARRY P LIEBERMAN	727 S ORANGE AVENUE SARASOTA, Florida 34236	THE BARRINGTON GROUP, INC. / PRESIDENT / REAL ESTATE DEVELOPER	REDESIGNATION TO GENERAL	MEMO		06/11/2026	-1500.00	5000.00	LIMITS
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HEADLINE: “County Wins Comp Plan Challenge From Long Bar Developer.” [Anna Maria Island Insider, [2/28/17](#)]

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HEADLINE: “Pat And Charlene Neal Fulfill \$500,000 Pledge To New College Of Florida.” [Tampa Bay Business & Wealth, [6/5/25](#)]

The Donor, Pat Neal, Was Actively Seeking To Put Homes In A Flood-Prone Part OF Manatee County Despite The Objections Of Neighbors. “Billionaire builder Pat Neal wanted to put houses in a flood-prone area despite neighbors’ objections, but commissioners rejected his request.” [Florida Phoenix, [7/3/25](#)]

HEADLINE: “Powerful Florida Developer Hears A Rare Response From Manatee County: No!” [Florida Phoenix, [7/3/25](#)]

HEADLINE: “Manatee County Commissioners Deny Development Of Hundreds Of Homes In Parrish.” [Sarasota Herald-Tribune, [6/24/25](#)]

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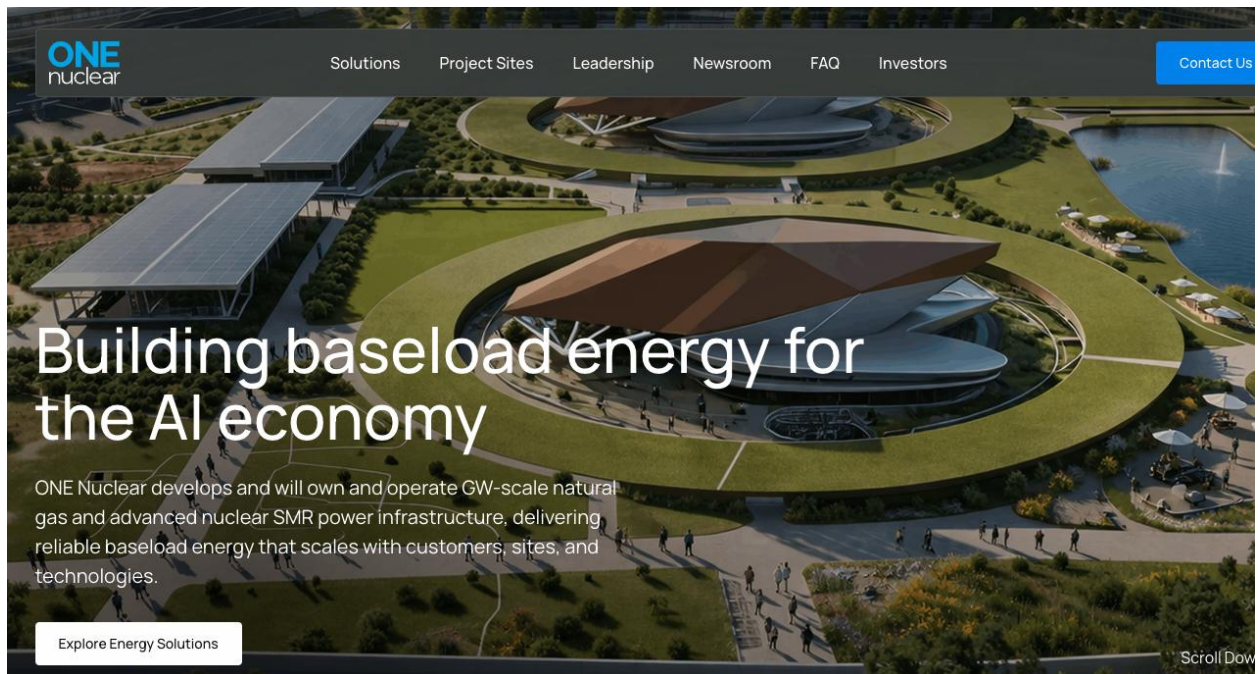
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Dowagiac, Michigan, assembling humanoid robots made with components from AGIBOT, a Shanghai, China based manufacturer. 'Foreign adversaries, especially the People's Republic of China, remain a threat to America,' Rep. Walberg writes. 'Their military-civil fusion strategy and national intelligence laws that require citizens and companies to assist the Chinese government intelligence efforts when requested create risks for American companies who may choose to partner with them in key fields such as humanoid robotics.'" [Press Release, Rep. Tim Walberg, [7/29/26](#)]

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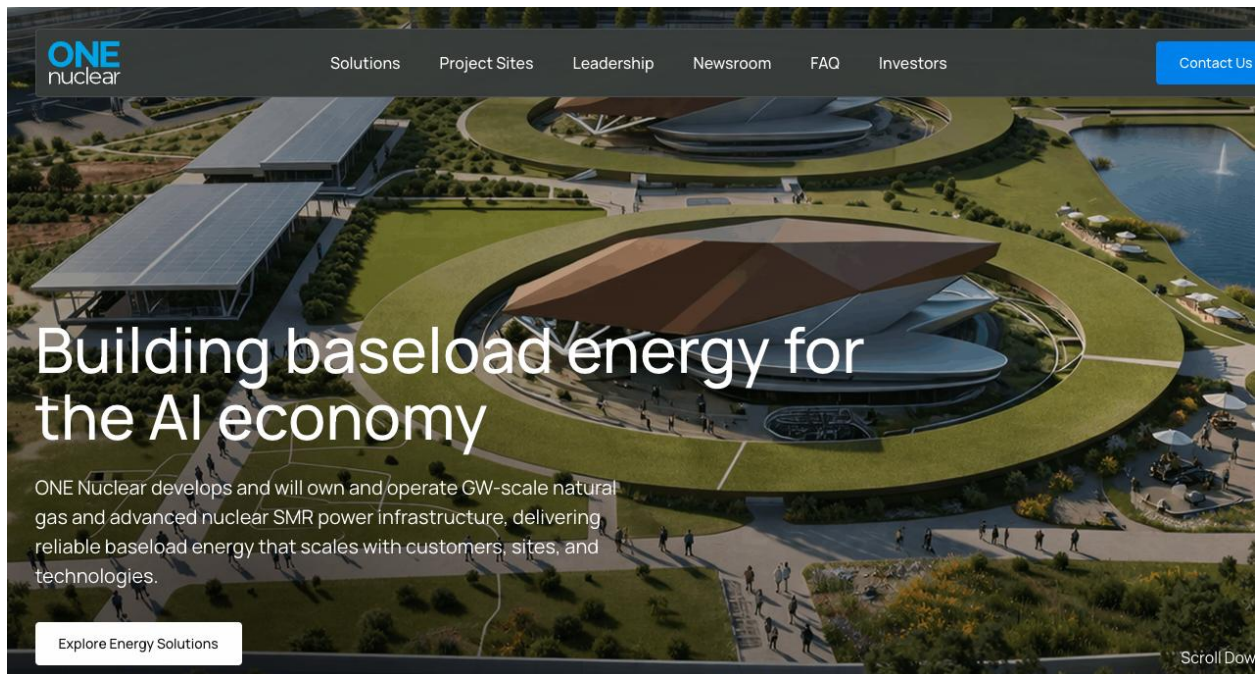
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MILTON AULT	4201 SAN ALIVIA COURT LAS VEGAS, Nevada 89141	HYPERSCALE DATA / CHAIRMAN	REDESIGNATION THROUGH WINRED: SEE REDESIGNATION			06/30/2026	3643.56	3747.66	
MILTON AULT	4201 SAN ALIVIA COURT LAS VEGAS, Nevada 89141	HYPERSCALE DATA / CHAIRMAN	REDESIGNATION TO GENERAL	MEMO		06/30/2026	-247.66	3747.66	LIMITS
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DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION	1301 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, NW SUITE 200	06/30/2026	1000.00	1000.00
EMPLOYEE POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE	WASHINGTON, DC 20004			

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HEADLINE: "Florida PSC Tells Duke Energy Its AI Data Center Rate Plan Is on 'Shaky Ground.'" [TFTC, [8/27/26](#)]

HEADLINE: "Duke Energy Lays Groundwork To Lure Data Centers To Florida." [Tampa Bay Business Journal, [9/9/25](#)]

WUSF: "Floridians Are Feeling Crushed" By High Electricity Bills And "It's Even More Pronounced For Residential Customers Of Investor-Owned Utilities" Like "Duke Energy Florida." "Floridians are feeling crushed by the rising cost of power in Florida. While electricity rates and bills are increasing for all customers, it's even more pronounced for residential customers of investor-owned utilities, like Tampa Electric Company (TECO), Duke Energy Florida and Florida Power & Light." [WUSF, [9/28/26](#)]

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or for commercial purposes, other than using the name and address of any political committee to solicit contributions from such committee.

NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full) SYDNEY GRUTERS FOR CONGRESS			
Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) CORCORAN, MICHAEL, , ,		Date of Receipt MM / DD / YYYY 04 / 24 / 2026	
Mailing Address 7746 STILL LAKES DRIVE		Transaction ID : SA11AI.170383124	
City ODESSA	State FL	Zip Code 33556	Amount of Each Receipt this Period 7000.00 ☐ Memo Item EARMARKED THROUGH WINRED: SEE RESIGNATION
FEC ID number of contributing federal political committee. C			
Name of Employer CORCORAN PARTNERS		Occupation GOVERNMENT RELATIONS	
Receipt For: 2026 ☒ Primary ☐ General ☐ Other (specify) ▼		Election Cycle-to-Date 7000.00	

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Corcoran Is The Federal Lobbyist For NextEra. [OpenSecrets, Accessed [9/29/26](#)]

NextEra's Subsidiary, Florida Power & Light Company, Sought A \$10 Billion Rate Hike For Electricity Over The Next Four Years. "Florida's biggest utility company is proposing a nearly \$10 billion rate hike for electricity over the next four years, which environmental advocates say would represent the largest utility hike in U.S. history. Florida Power & Light Company (FPL), a subsidiary of Florida-based energy company NextEra Energy, outlined the changes in a petition filed in February with the Florida Public Service Commission, which regulates the state's electric industry. According to the document, the rate hike would include two base rate increases in 2026 and 2027, and additional hikes in 2028 and 2029 to cover the installation of solar generation and battery storage facilities." [CBS News, [8/7/25](#)]

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XIANBIN MENG	5814 MARINER STREET TAMPA, Florida 33609	INFORMATION REQUESTED / INFORMATION REQUESTED	06/11/2026	7000.00	7000.00
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HEADLINE: "Despite Tough Talk, Florida's GOP Supports This China-Backed Company In Tampa."
[Miami Herald, [12/6/23](#)]

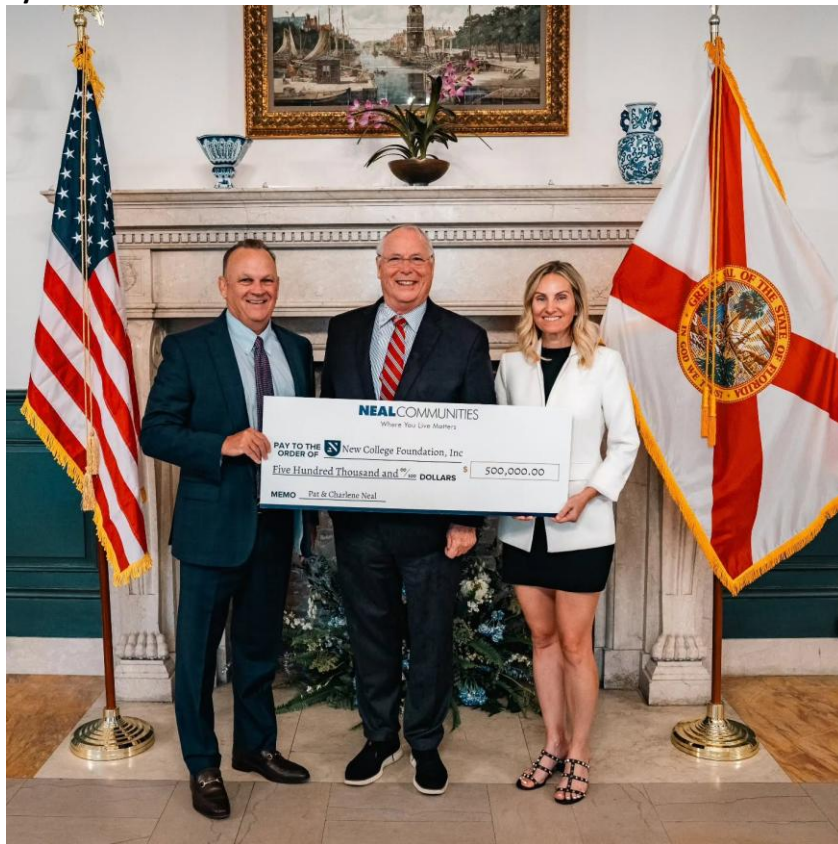
HEADLINE: "Bondi Lobbied For China-Backed Company That Has Active Case Against U.S. Government." [Miami Herald, [1/18/25](#)]

Gruters Primary Opponent Said Gruters Had Been Selling Access To Developers, Including Meng Who Runs A "Chinese State-Linked Chemical Manufacturer." "I've said it on the trail for months: Florida is not for sale. I usually say it about the developers who've bankrolled Sydney Gruters' campaign for Congress — the ones betting that she'll deliver on zoning, on permits, on the deals that make them rich. But a sale needs two sides. A seller, and a buyer. And a buyer doesn't hand over money unless they believe the seller can deliver. Here's the public record on a second buyer at that table. It isn't a Florida company. It's a subsidiary of a Chinese state-linked chemical manufacturer — and its president just wrote Sydney Gruters a \$7,000 check, months after the federal government received a formal complaint naming him personally. Additionally, donations were made by Todd Josko and Christy Brodeur, the managing partner and partner of Ballard Partners-the lobbying firm for iGas." [Substack, Eddie Spier, [7/23/26](#)]

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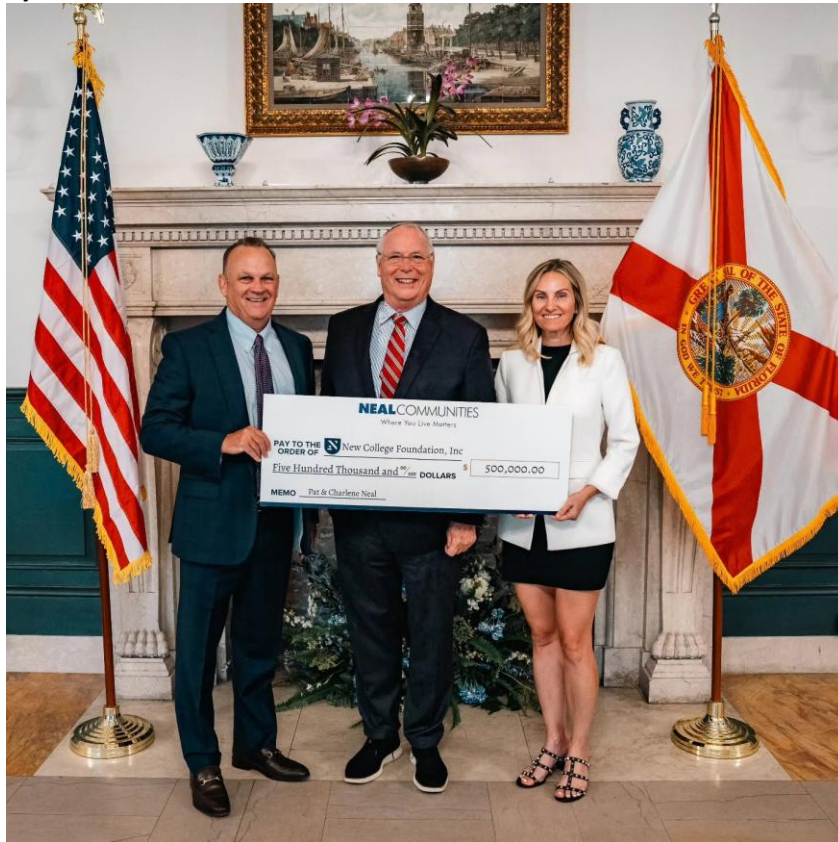
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CARLOS BERUFF	1651 WHITFIELD AVENUE UNIT 200 SARASOTA, Florida 34243	MEDALLION HOME / CEO	EARMARKED THROUGH WINRED: SEE REDESIGNATION		04/02/2026	7000.00	7000.00	
CARLOS BERUFF	1651 WHITFIELD AVENUE UNIT 200 SARASOTA, Florida 34243	MEDALLION HOME / CEO	REDESIGNATION TO GENERAL	MEMO	04/02/2026	-3500.00	7000.00	LIMITS
CARLOS BERUFF	1651 WHITFIELD AVENUE UNIT 200 SARASOTA, Florida 34243	MEDALLION HOME / CEO	REDESIGNATION FROM PRIMARY	MEMO	04/02/2026	3500.00	7000.00	LIMITS

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Medallion Homes Drew State Scrutiny For Its Actions Around The Long Bar Pointe Development For Intruding Into Wetland Buffers. “The Florida Department of Environmental Protection has issued a warning letter to Long Bar Pointe LLLP and Medallion Homes after finding violations related to a mangrove trimming permit in the area of developer Carlos Beruff's Aqua by the Bay project. On June 17 and August 25, FDEP officials conducted on-water inspections at the Long Bar Pointe mitigation bank, a follow-up to two previous inspections by the department. FDEP inspectors observed instances where the foliage had been reduced beyond the permitted limits as well as trimmed tree debris left in the wetland area from a previous trimming event.” [The Bradenton Times, [9/14/22](#)]

HEADLINE: “FDEP Issues Warning Letter For Mangrove Trimming At Long Bar Pointe.” [The Bradenton Times, [9/14/22](#)]

Gruters Took A Max Contribution From Janelle Beruff, Owner Of Squared Engineering.

JANELLE BERUFF	1651 WHITFIELD AVENUE UNIT 200 SARASOTA, Florida 34243	B-SQUARED ENGINEERING / OWNER	EARMARKED THROUGH WINRED: SEE REDESIGNATION		04/02/2026	7000.00	7000.00	
JANELLE BERUFF	1651 WHITFIELD AVENUE UNIT 200 SARASOTA, Florida 34243	B-SQUARED ENGINEERING / OWNER	REDESIGNATION TO GENERAL	MEMO	04/02/2026	-3500.00	7000.00	LIMITS
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Gruters Took A Max Contribution From Mori Hosseini, The CEO Of ICI Homes.

MORI HOSSEINI	2379 BEVILLE ROAD DAYTONA BEACH, Florida 32119	ICI HOMES / CHAIRMAN AND CEO			06/02/2026	7000.00	7000.00	
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Gruters Took Max Contributions From John And Phillipa Cannon, Owners Of John Cannon Home.

JOHN CANNON	6710 PROFESSIONAL PKWY STE 100 LAKEWOOD RANCH, Florida 34240	JOHN CANNAN HOME / OWNER	SEE REDESIGNATION		06/11/2026	7000.00	7000.00	
JOHN CANNON	6710 PROFESSIONAL PKWY STE 100 LAKEWOOD RANCH, Florida 34240	JOHN CANNAN HOME / OWNER	REDESIGNATION TO GENERAL	MEMO	06/11/2026	-3500.00	7000.00	LIMITS
JOHN CANNON	6710 PROFESSIONAL PKWY STE 100 LAKEWOOD RANCH, Florida 34240	JOHN CANNAN HOME / OWNER	REDESIGNATION FROM PRIMARY	MEMO	06/11/2026	3500.00	7000.00	LIMITS
PHILLIPA CANNON	6710 PROFESSIONAL PKWY STE 100 LAKEWOOD RANCH, Florida 34240	JOHN CANNAN HOME / OWNER	SEE REDESIGNATION		06/11/2026	7000.00	7000.00	
PHILLIPA CANNON	6710 PROFESSIONAL PKWY STE 100 LAKEWOOD RANCH, Florida 34240	JOHN CANNAN HOME / OWNER	REDESIGNATION TO GENERAL	MEMO	06/11/2026	-3500.00	7000.00	LIMITS
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Gruters Took \$7,000 From John Cox, Owner Of Halfacre Construction.

JOHN J COX, III	7015 PROFESSIONAL PKWY LAKEWOOD RANCH, Florida 34240	HALFACRE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY / PRESIDENT & OWNER			06/11/2026	7000.00	7000.00	
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Gruters Took A Max Contribution Of \$7,000 From Jeff Jackson, CEO Of Cabinet Works Group.

JEFF JACKSON	601 N OWL DR SARASOTA, Florida 34236	CABINET WORKS GROUP / CEO	EARMARKED THROUGH WINRED		05/29/2026	7000.00	7000.00	
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Gruters Received \$5,000 From Larry Lieberman Of The Barrington Group.

LARRY P LIEBERMAN	727 S ORANGE AVENUE SARASOTA, Florida 34236	THE BARRINGTON GROUP, INC. / PRESIDENT / REAL ESTATE DEVELOPER	SEE REDESIGNATION			06/11/2026	5000.00	5000.00	
LARRY P LIEBERMAN	727 S ORANGE AVENUE SARASOTA, Florida 34236	THE BARRINGTON GROUP, INC. / PRESIDENT / REAL ESTATE DEVELOPER	REDESIGNATION TO GENERAL	MEMO		06/11/2026	-1500.00	5000.00	LIMITS
LARRY P LIEBERMAN	727 S ORANGE AVENUE SARASOTA, Florida 34236	THE BARRINGTON GROUP, INC. / PRESIDENT / REAL ESTATE DEVELOPER	REDESIGNATION FROM PRIMARY	MEMO		06/11/2026	1500.00	5000.00	LIMITS

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Duke Energy Corporation Employee PAC Gave \$1,000 To Gruters In June 2026.

DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION EMPLOYEE POLITI	1301 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, NW SUITE 200 WASHINGTON, DC 20004					06/30/2026	1000.00	1000.00	
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HEADLINE: “Florida PSC Tells Duke Energy Its AI Data Center Rate Plan Is on ‘Shaky Ground.’” [TFTC, [8/27/26](#)]

WUSF: “Floridians Are Feeling Crushed” By High Electricity Bills And “It’s Even More Pronounced For Residential Customers Of Investor-Owned Utilities” Like “Duke Energy Florida.” “Floridians are feeling crushed by the rising cost of power in Florida. While electricity rates and bills are increasing for all customers, it’s even more pronounced for residential customers of investor-owned utilities, like Tampa Electric Company (TECO), Duke Energy Florida and Florida Power & Light.” [WUSF, [9/28/26](#)]

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HEADLINE: “‘Run, Sydney, Run’: Donald Trump Pushes Sydney Gruters To Run For Vern Buchanan’s Seat In Congress.” [Florida Politics, [3/24/26](#)]



Donald J. Trump
@realDonaldTrump

Word is that Sydney Gruters, the wife of our GREAT Chairman of the Republican National Committee, Joe Gruters, is considering launching her Campaign for Congress in Florida's 16th Congressional District!

A Highly Successful Civic Leader and Public Servant, Sydney has dedicated her life to serving her Community, and she and her family are fierce advocates for our Movement to, MAKE AMERICA GREAT AGAIN! As your next Congresswoman, Sydney will fight tirelessly to Grow our Economy, Cut Taxes and Regulations, Promote MADE IN THE U.S.A., Unleash American Energy DOMINANCE, Keep our Border SECURE, Stop Migrant Crime, Support our Military/Veterans, Safeguard our Elections, Champion School Choice, and Defend our always under siege Second Amendment.

Should she decide to enter this Race, Sydney Gruters has my Complete and Total Endorsement. RUN, SYDNEY, RUN!

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(18) Sydney Gruters NCF Executive Director	40.0			X				201,000	0	69,385

[New College Foundation, 990 filing, Submitted [12/11/25](#)]

Gruters Took A Max Donation From Michael Corcoran.

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NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full) SYDNEY GRUTERS FOR CONGRESS			
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Corcoran Is The Federal Lobbyist For NextEra. [OpenSecrets, Accessed [9/29/26](#)]

NextEra's Subsidiary, Florida Power & Light Company, Sought A \$10 Billion Rate Hike For Electricity Over The Next Four Years. "Florida's biggest utility company is proposing a nearly \$10 billion rate hike for electricity over the next four years, which environmental advocates say would represent the largest utility hike in U.S. history. Florida Power & Light Company (FPL), a subsidiary of Florida-based energy company NextEra Energy, outlined the changes in a petition filed in February with the Florida Public Service Commission, which regulates the state's electric industry. According to the document, the rate hike would include two base rate increases in 2026 and 2027, and additional hikes in 2028 and 2029 to cover the installation of solar generation and battery storage facilities." [CBS News, [8/7/25](#)]