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**Republican US Senate Candidate Jon Elist (CA) Outraises the Entire Field of Challengers in First Quarter Reporting Period, Collects Nearly $260,000**

*Elist continues to build momentum as he vows to shake up Washington*

(Los Angeles, CA) – Conservative outsider, small business owner, and former government advisor [Jon Elist](https://www.elistforsenate.com/) raised $258,157 in his very first reporting period as a candidate. Elist is prepping a bid to tackle failed career politician Alex Padilla. The Primary election is June 7, 2022.

Notably, Elist is now the among the top fundraising candidates in the field to replace Padilla, despite only being in the race for a few months. During this reporting period alone, Elist outraised every other candidate by over $80,000 at minimum.

“The early support for my campaign demonstrates there is a real appetite for change in our great state and country,” said Jon Elist.

“For voters who are sick and tired of rising inflation, sky high gas prices, crime, homelessness, open borders, failing schools, and all of the other problems created by incompetent career politicians, I am running for Senate to offer them a viable alternative,” Elist concluded.

“Elist is resonating with voters because of his firm grasp on the issues that affect American workers, families, and businesses,” said seasoned Campaign Strategist John Thomas.

“In just a few short months, Elist has already separated himself from the rest of the field,” Thomas continued. “Of all the candidates, Jon Elist is the last person Alex Padilla wants to face in the General election.”

**About Jon**

Businessman and son of Iranian refugees Jon Elist has launched his campaign for United States Senate in California. Elist is challenging incumbent Senator Alex Padilla, who was appointed to his position by Governor Gavin Newsom in 2021.

Unlike Padilla, who has been a career politician for nearly twenty-five years and has not had a private sector job since the 1990s, Elist is an outsider, entrepreneur, and successful businessman who brings a fresh perspective that is desperately needed in California and Washington D.C.

In 1976, Jon’s father left Iran for schooling and was never able to return due to conflict. After the Islamic Revolution, Jon’s mother and family were forced to escape in fear of their safety because of their Jewish faith.

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The United States eventually granted visas to their family to avoid religious persecution. The Elist family is eternally grateful for the safety and opportunity America provided. That experience has shaped who Jon is today and is part of the reason why he is running for United States Senate.

Jon was determined to make the most of his chance to pursue the American Dream. Growing up, he attended a local school in Los Angeles and was later accepted to the prestigious Harvard-Westlake School. Jon went on to earn business and international affairs degrees from Princeton, Stanford, and Harvard.

Jon brings a diverse set of public and private sector experience that shape his core values, and that typical career politicians just do not have. He has worked for the Small Business Administration, United States Embassy in Argentina, and at McKinsey & Company where his focus was the healthcare industry. He also advised governments at the local, state, federal, and international levels.

In 2016, Jon leveraged his experience to launch a medical device company that focuses on urology. As CEO, Jon built the company from one site to centers across the US, quadrupling revenues in just the first year with consistent growth since.

Jon has also volunteered his time with leadership positions at major philanthropic organizations in California that have supported Holocaust victims, low-income students seeking quality education, citizens on the brink of poverty, and other vulnerable populations.

A successful CEO, philanthropist, and father of two young children, Jon has now launched his campaign for U.S. Senate.

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