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Star-studded Time's Up charities spent big on salaries, little on helping victims
@Alyssa_Milano @MiraSorvino @GloriaSteinem https://t.co/m5kM0W1UjE via
@nypost

The organization, which is comprised of the Times Up Foundation and @TIMESUPNOW, raised \$3,670,219 in 2018, its founding year, but spent \$1,407,032 on salaries and only \$312,001 on the @TimesUpLegal Defense Fund for people who have experienced sexual harassment.

Time's Up Now, the lobbying arm of the organization, also spent \$157,155 on conferences "designed to build community and spark critical conversations about gender equity," tax filings show.

In addition to posh conferences, Time's Up Now spent \$288,007 on advertising, and \$940,328 on "legal" costs, with the majority of that figure (\$719,522) going to Arnold & Porter Kaye Scholer, a multinational law firm with a powerful lobbying arm on Capitol Hill.

Time's Up Now also spent \$58,395 on travel and \$112,435 on Rally, a public relations company, according to tax filings.

The Encino-based organization was founded by lawyers and Hollywood producers and drew on the star-studded backing of Gloria Steinem, @Oprah Winfrey, @jes_chastain, @RoArquette and Mira Sorvino in the wake of the 2017 Harvey Weinstein scandal.

Time's Up's "global leadership board" includes Sorvino, who said Weinstein sexually harassed her in a hotel room in 1995, and actress Alyssa Milano, whose viral 2017 tweet urged women to come forward if they had been sexually harassed.

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Time's Up Legal Defense Fund spent \$1,747,635 to help "3,000 individuals" in its first six months in 2018, tax filings show. The Time's Up Foundation pledged \$132,575 to that fund while Time's Up Now earmarked \$179,426, tax filings show.

The lion's share of the defense fund money came from outside grants made to the Law Center, federal filings show.

While both groups are non-profit, only donations to the Time's Up Foundation are eligible for tax deductions, the group's website says.

Typically, politically minded non-profits set up a lobbying arm and a charity in order to raise awareness, influence legislation and also raise cash. Donations to the lobbying arm — Time's Up Now — are not eligible for tax deductions.

Time's Up Now took in \$3,308,568 in 2018, while Time's Up Foundation raked in \$361,651, according to tax filings.

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Calls and an email to Time's Up seeking comment were not returned last week.