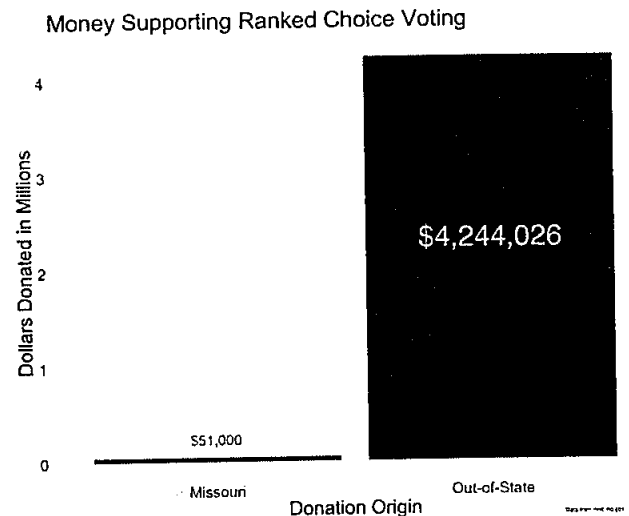# Ranked-Choice Voting:
Wrong
For Missouri

What Ranked-Choice Voting Would Look Like In Missouri
- Opens primaries: all candidates for a particular office will be on one ballot, despite party affiliation.
- The top four candidates for a particular office who get the most votes in the primary move on to the general election. To vote, a voter will have to rank the candidates 1 through 4; their favorite candidate is ranked as 1 while their least favorite candidate is ranked as 4. And the other candidates are ranked in between.
- When the votes are counted, a candidate who receives more than 50% of the votes wins. If no candidate gets a majority in the first round, the candidate with the least amount of 1st choice votes is eliminated and the votes of those who voted for that candidate as their first are reallocated to their 2nd choice candidate. This elimination and reallocation continues until a candidate receives a majority made up of the combination of the first round, second round, third round, or even fourth round votes.

Funding
- The money supporting ranked-choice voting in Missouri is coming almost exclusively from out of state. The campaign behind ranked-choice in Missouri, has received over $4 million from the DC based Article IV orginization; 99.9% of the campaign's total funding.

Money Supporting Ranked Choice Voting

Results in Other States
- 2018: In Maine for the Second Congressional District election, the Republican initially won 46% of the first choice votes, but after reallocation of second round votes and Maine's Secretary of State discarding 14,076 ballots due to exhaustion, the Democrat was declared the winner.
- 2008: In Pierce County for a county executive race, there was one Republican in the race up against two democrats. The Republican initially won the most first choice votes with 35%, but after second round reallocation, a democrat was awarded the victory.

Ballot Exhaustion
- On average, 10.92% of ballots are "exhausted" in RCV elections
- "Exhausted" ballots are no longer counted in the final tabulation, essentially throwing the votes out