

Permissible Uses of HAVA Funds Made Available to States

HAVA Program	Permissible Uses
<p>Title I, Section 101 <i>Election Administration Improvement Payments</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complying with the requirements under Title III (uniform and nondiscriminatory election technology and administration requirements). • Improving the administration of elections for Federal office. • Educating voters concerning voting procedures, voting rights, and voting technology. • Training election officials, poll workers, and election volunteers. • Developing the State plan for requirements payments to be submitted under part 1 of subtitle D of title II. • Improving, acquiring, leasing, modifying, or replacing voting systems and technology and methods for casting and counting votes. • Improving the accessibility and quantity of polling places, including providing physical access for individuals with disabilities, providing non-visual access for individuals with visual impairments, and providing assistance to Native Americans, Alaska Native citizens, and to individuals with limited proficiency in the English language. • Establishing toll-free telephone hotlines that voters may use to report possible voting fraud and voting rights violations, to obtain general election information, and to access detailed automated information on their own voter registration status, specific polling place locations, and other relevant information.
<p>Title I, Section 102</p>	<p>Only to replace punchcard and lever voting systems</p>
<p>Title II, Section 251 <i>Requirements Payments</i></p>	<p>Only to meet HAVA Title III requirements for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equipment that meets voting systems standards; • Provisional voting; • Voting information; • Statewide voter registration list; • Voters who register by mail. <p>Exception: States can use these funds for other improvements to the administration of Federal elections only after meeting the Title III requirements, or if the amount is not more than the minimum payment (2003=\$4,150,000; 2004= \$7,229,205; Total=\$11,,596,803)</p>
<p>Title II, Section 261</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Making polling places (including the path of travel, entrances, exits, and voting areas of each polling facility) accessible to individuals with disabilities, including the blind and visually impaired, in a manner that provides the same opportunity for access and participation (including privacy and independence) as for other voters. • Providing individuals with disabilities, including the blind and visually impaired, with information about the accessibility of polling places, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ outreach programs to inform the individuals about the availability of accessible polling places ○ training election officials, poll workers, and election volunteers on how best to promote the access and participation of individuals with disabilities in elections for Federal office.
<p>Title II, Section 291</p> <p><i>Made available to State protection and advocacy systems</i></p> <p><i>Made available via competitive grant to qualifying entities</i></p>	<p>The remainder, to ensure full participation in the electoral process for individuals with disabilities, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Registering to vote • Casting a vote • Accessing polling places <p>Also, 7% for set aside for training and technical assistance with respect to the participation of individuals with disabilities, including nonvisual access, to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support training in the use of voting systems and technologies <p>Demonstrate and evaluate the use of such systems and technologies, by individuals with disabilities, in order to assess the availability and use of such systems and technologies for individuals with disabilities.</p>