

2023 Help America Vote Act (HAVA) Election Security Grant Program Narrative State of Arkansas, Secretary of State

The State of Arkansas has greatly benefitted from previous Help America Vote Act (HAVA) Election Security Grants which provided significant funding to a majority of Arkansas's counties to assist with purchases of new, voter-verified paper record election equipment.

The Arkansas Secretary of State, as the state's chief election official, proposes to utilize the 2023 HAVA grant allocation of \$1,000,000, together with the state match of \$200,000, to improve the administration of elections for federal office by enhancing election technology and making election security improvements to the systems, equipment, and processes used in federal elections. General activities identified in this narrative and budget include the purchase of additional new voting machinery and voter registration laptop computers for Arkansas counties.

Specifically, our program narrative and budget for 2023 funding will be as follows:

- Voting Registration Systems and Management \$1,000,000 Federal and \$200,000 state match

Please find below a brief descriptions of how grant funding, and state fund match, will be allocated among the above-referenced categories.

Voting Registration Systems and Management

The State of Arkansas proposes to expend **\$1,200,000** to purchase ExpressPoll Tablets for counties. Of this amount, \$1,000,000 in federal funds and \$200,000 in state match will be utilized.