



2026 Election Security Funds

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EAC Grantee Poll



Election Security 2026 Available Funding



Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2026

- \$45 million for Election Security grants authorized under HAVA Title I Section 101
- Minimum Payments
 - ❖ States: \$819,000
 - ❖ Territories: \$162,000



Award Requirements



Formula Funding Eligibility

Awards will be made to the 50 states, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

Funds may be re-granted/distributed to local election districts/offices at the state's discretion.

Awards to states that are delinquent on any EAC grant requirements may be prohibited from spending 2026 funding until outstanding compliance requirements have been resolved.



Matching Requirement

MATCH REQUIRED

20% of Federal Award

2 Years to Make Match Funds
Available from Disbursement Date ~
March 2028

Full Performance Period to Expend

Per HAVA Section 104(d) cash match must be deposited in the state election fund.

In-kind match must be tracked and reported in the same manner as cash contributions.

Match funding for Election Security grants must be different from funds used to meet state match requirements for 251 grants.

American Samoa, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and the Northern Mariana Islands are exempt from the match requirement.



Acceptance Process



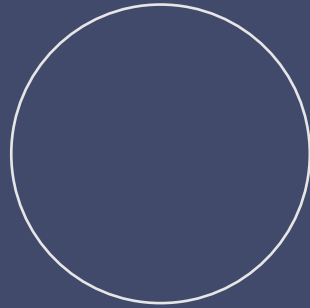
Application Steps



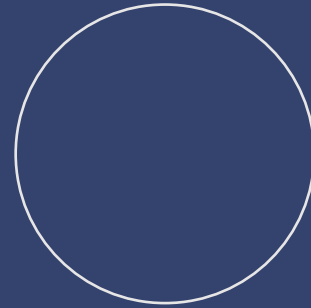
Award packets
were emailed to
grantees on Friday,
March 13



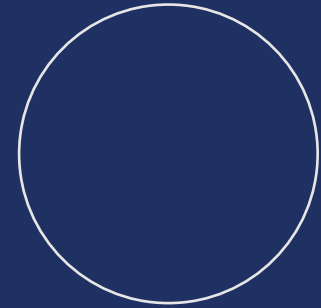
All templates,
training, and
instructions are
available at
eac.gov/grants



Return completed
award documents
via email to
grants@eac.gov.



Your grants
specialist will review
your documents and
respond with any
revisions,
clarifications, and
approval.



Notice of Award is
issued, and funds
are disbursed.



Required Documents

States must submit an award application that includes:

- Terms & Conditions
- State Certification Letter
- Budget Worksheet
- Budget Narrative

Submit documents via email to **grants@eac.gov**



Timeline

Grantees have 5 years from the date of the appropriation to accept their award.

The FY 2026 funds will expire on 2/3/2031.

The FY 2025 funds will expire on 3/15/2030



2025 Election Security Funds

States that have not requested 2025 Election Security funds, and would like to do so, may accept both 2025 and 2026 awards at the same time. To do this, please:

- Notify your grant specialist.
- Submit the request letter for both years.
- Provide the signed terms and conditions, budget and narrative for 2026. (These will include the 2025 award.)



Application Details



States must submit their request letter and signed terms & conditions to receive grant funding.

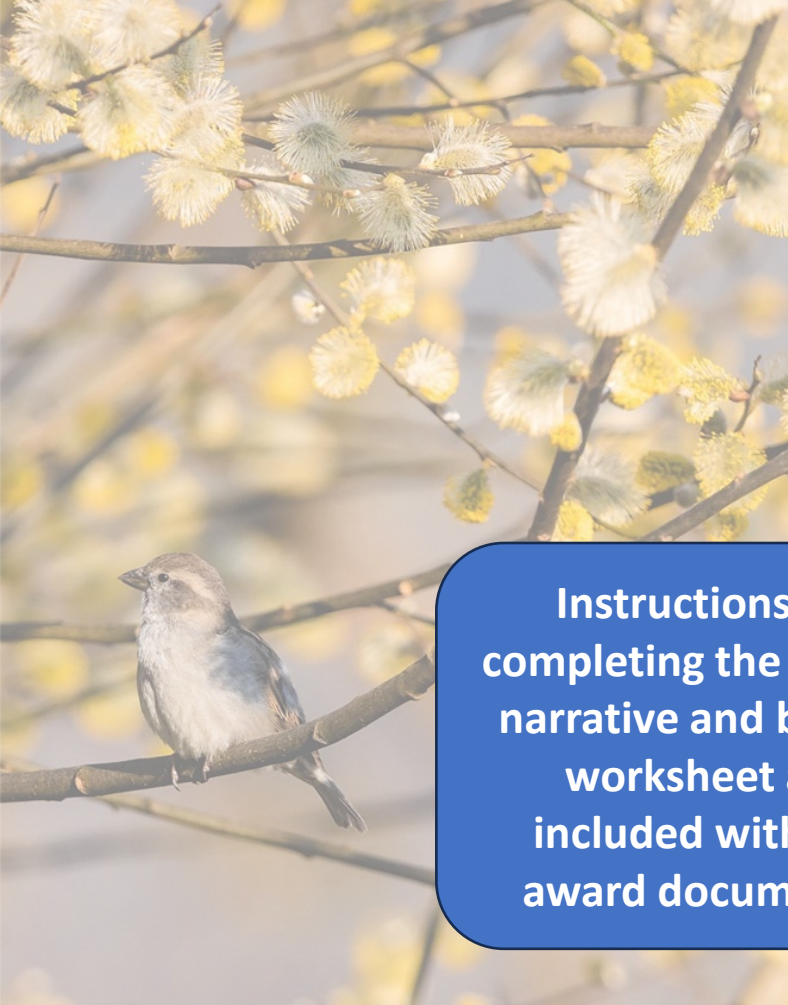
- Terms and Conditions – Minor updates to 2025.
- Due Dates – Applications will be processed as they are submitted.
- Universal Entity Identification Number – Please confirm correct UEI is listed in the request letter.
- Special Conditions will be in place until the Budget and Narrative are approved.



Application Details Continued

States must submit their program narrative and budget worksheet to begin spending FY26 Election Security funding.

- The narrative should provide an overview of new/continued activities supported by FY26 funding.
- The budget worksheet should be cumulative for all funding years (2018 through 2026).
- Budget revision requests for funding from previous years should be noted in the FY26 narrative and incorporated into the FY26 budget worksheet.



Instructions for completing the budget narrative and budget worksheet are included with the award documents.



Disbursement



Ensure your Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) and System of Award Management (SAM) account are accurate and up-to-date.



Your SAM account must be active to receive funding. Accounts expire annually. For more information, visit <http://www.sam.gov>.



Funds will be disbursed after the required award documents are received & approved by the EAC.



All HAVA grant funds must be deposited in an interest-bearing state election fund per Section 104(d).



*****Registration and reactivation in Sam.gov is always a cost-free process!*****



Post-Award Information



Allowable Use of Funds

Election Security grants are for activities to improve the administration of elections for Federal office, including election technology and security.

The EAC requires a budget projecting the use of the funds. Budget revisions for previous awards should be included in the program narrative and budget worksheet.

Additional online resources:
[Frequently Asked Questions](#)
[Grants Guidance](#)

HAVA Sec. 101 Spending Categories:

- Voting Equipment
- Voting Processes
- Voter Registration Systems
- Election Auditing
- Cyber Security
- Physical Security
- Voter Education
- Accessibility

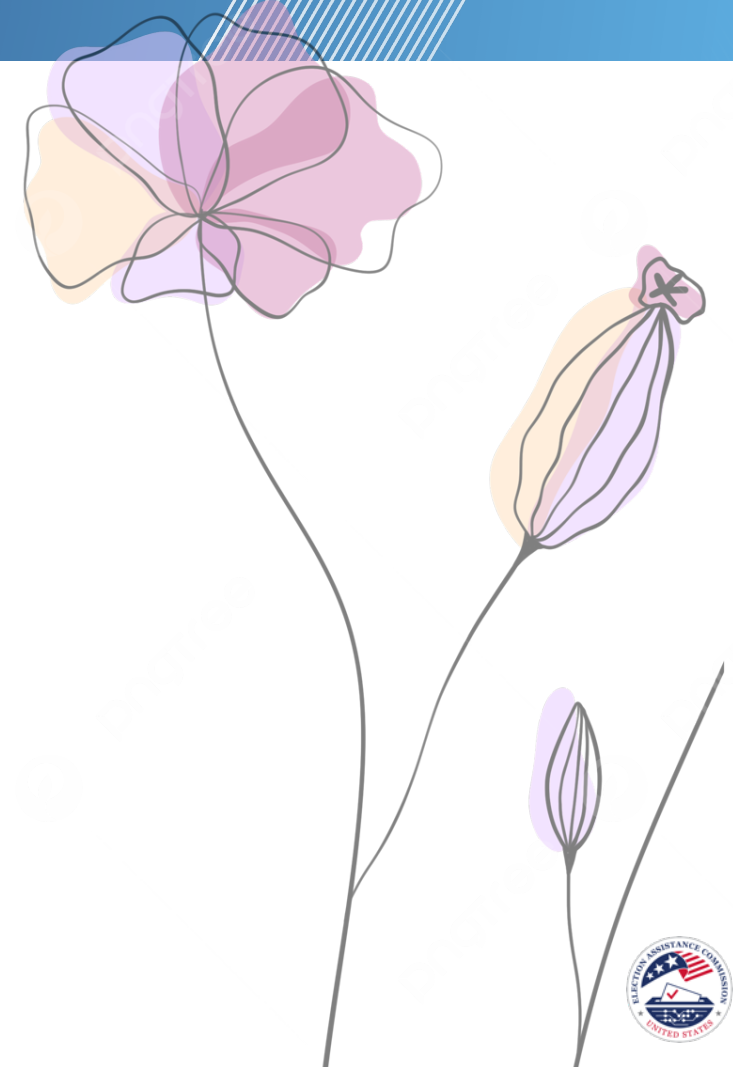


Reporting Requirements

Federal Financial Reports are due each quarter 30 days after the end of the quarter ending December 31, March 31, and June 30.

Period End Date	Due Date	FFR	PR
December 31	January 30	✓	✗
March 31	April 30	✓	✗
June 30	July 30	✓	✗
September 30	December 29	✓	✓

Annual FFR and progress reports are due 90 days after September 30 on December 29.

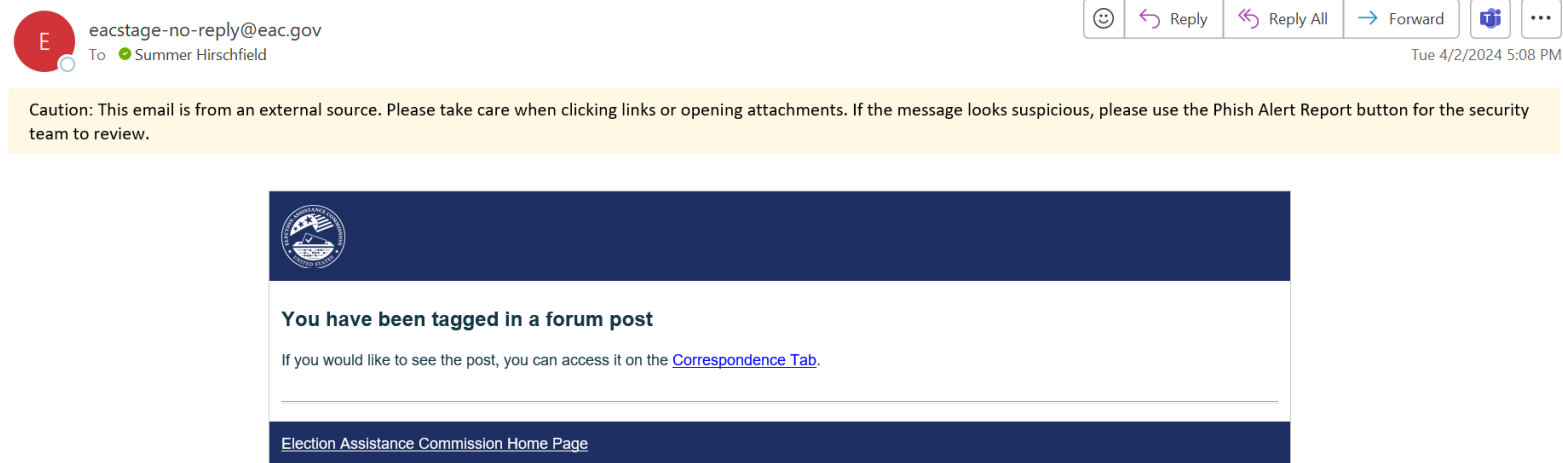


GLAS award Management



GLAS Correspondence

EAC Grants Specialists will upload approved FY26 award documents into GLAS using the forum/correspondence feature. States will receive an email notification alert when a forum post is created.



GLAS Correspondence Continued

If you do not receive an email notification that your award documents are in GLAS, you can check forum posts/correspondence by navigating to MY AWARDS.

STAGE

HOME GRANT PROGRAMS REPORTING & INSIGHTS

GLAS 4/3/2024

Grants Lifecycle Application System
Election Assistance Commission

My Organization
View My Organization

My Grant Programs
View My Grant Programs

My Awards
View My Awards

My Applications
View My Applications

My Actions

- Manage Users
- Application Survey

System Help

- Training Materials

TO-DOS

Applications	FFRs	Progress Reports
8	3	4

EXPENDITURES

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Reminder: All FY25 ES award documents should be submitted to grants@eac.gov for review & approval



Application Process in GLAS Continued

In the Awards list, click on your Election Security grant (EACELSEC18XX) to continue to the dashboard for the grant.

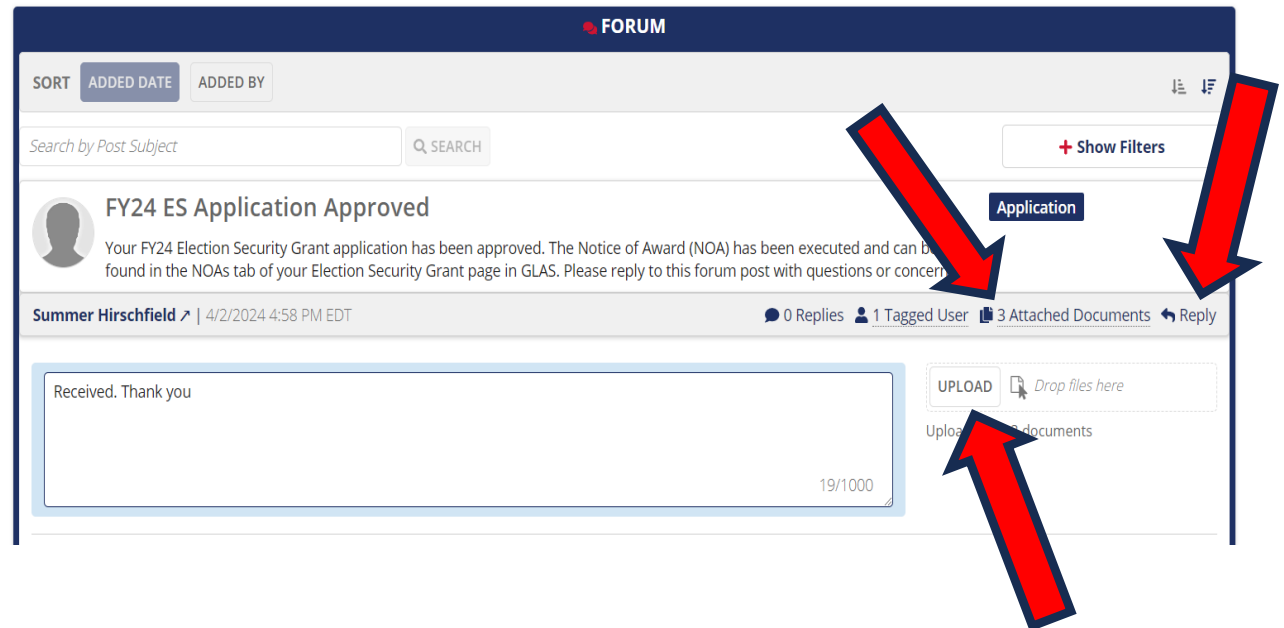
Name	Grant Program	Award Amount	Status
Requirements Payment 251 - EACREQPY03MN	Requirements Payment 251 ↗	\$43,962,194.00	Open
<u>Election Security - EACELSEC18MN</u>	Election Security ↗	\$18,215,526.00	Open
Election Improvement 101 - EACELIMP03MN	Election Improvement 101 ↗	\$5,313,786.00	Closed
CARES - EAC201908MNCOVID	CARES ↗	\$15,789,510.00	Closed



GLAS Correspondence Actions

Select the Correspondence tab from the top menu to find your FY26 documents and take any of the following actions:

- Click to view attached documents
- Download attached documents
- Review and read responses
- Reply to the post
- Upload additional documents



Detailed video tutorials on GLAS “Correspondence and Forum Overview” and “Receiving ES Award Documents” may be found by visiting the Election Security page on the EAC Website.



Accessing Your Notice of Award (NOA)

Once executed, your new NOA is available in GLAS

- Navigate to My Awards → Election Security → NOAs
- Click the NOA tab
- View current and historical NOAs in one location

The screenshot displays the Grants Lifecycle Application System (GLAS) interface. The top navigation bar includes 'HOME', 'GRANT PROGRAMS', and 'REPORTING & INSIGHTS'. The main dashboard features four primary tabs: 'My Organization', 'My Grant Programs', 'My Awards' (highlighted with a red circle), and 'My Applications'. Below these, a 'TO-DOS' section shows counts for Applications (7), FFRs (13), and Progress Reports (7). A 'EXPENDITURES' bar chart is also visible. The bottom section shows the 'Award: Election Security - EACELSEC18WV' with a sub-tab 'NOAs' (highlighted with a red circle). Below this, a table lists NOAs with columns for ID, Reason, Change in Federal Funds, Total Federal Funds, Total State Funds, and Execution Date.

ID	Reason	Change in Federal Funds	Total Federal Funds	Total State Funds	Execution Date
★ 55	Supplemental Funding	\$1,000,000.00	\$10,000,000.00	\$1,372,494.00	11/28/2023
54	Debt Collection	(\$666,930.00)	\$9,000,000.00	\$1,172,494.00	11/28/2023
10	Data Migration	\$0.00	-	-	-





QUESTIONS



THANK YOU