

## **South Dakota 2018 HAVA Program Narrative**

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The South Dakota Secretary of State's office and the 66 counties are grateful for the appropriation of \$3 million in Help America Vote Act (HAVA) funds. Below is an outline of the intended use of South Dakota's new federal funds.

- **Election Systems Upgrade**
  - Replace aging voting equipment including ballot marking devices (AutoMARKs) and ballot tabulators (M100, DS650) that were purchased in 2005 from Election Systems & Software.
- **Cybersecurity Upgrades**
  - Potentially enhance protections on statewide voter registration file and election night reporting page by adding additional layers of encryption.

### **Election Systems Upgrade**

South Dakota used the initial HAVA funding appropriated in 2002 and additional appropriations thereafter to improve election administration procedures and enhance security, accessibility, accuracy and reliability of our voting systems. However, the equipment purchased with the HAVA funds is reaching end of life and needs to be updated or replaced.

In October 2017, South Dakota used the HAVA grant dollars to upgrade ballot marking devices (ExpressVotes) for 33 counties that were able to purchase new tabulators (DS200, DS450, DS850) to accommodate the updated ballots for the ballot marking devices from Election Systems & Software. Several counties also purchased additional ballot marking devices and tabulators using their state-held county HAVA monies or county general funds. Several counties have sought reimbursement from their state-held county HAVA monies to purchase new equipment after the statewide purchase.

South Dakota will use the 2018 HAVA funding to reimburse the state-held county HAVA money of those counties that utilized these dollars to purchase equipment during the statewide buy in October 2017 or thereafter.

We will use the new funding to purchase additional ballot marking devices and/or ballot tabulators for the remaining 33 counties for the 2020 Presidential election.

### **Match Requirement (5% of \$3,000,000)**

The Secretary of State's office will request the match of \$150,000 from the South Dakota Legislature during the 2019 Legislative Session. If the funds are not appropriated in full, the Secretary of State's office will request at least half be appropriated during the 2019 Legislative Session, and the other half be requested during the 2020 Legislative Session.

The second scenario would include a 50-50 match between the counties and the State of South Dakota. The Secretary of State's office will ask the 66 counties to provide half of the match. The amount will be dependent upon the number of registered voters in each county. The state will request the counties to place the determined amount in a county-held, interest bearing account. We will request documentation that this has been completed. The counties will then be required to expend the match money prior to requesting reimbursement from their state-held county HAVA accounts or requesting reimbursement from their HAVA Grant. The State of South Dakota may provide, upon appropriation, the remaining portion of the match in this scenario.

Lastly, if a county spent general funds to purchase new equipment in FFY2018, we will allow them to use those dollars spent toward the match for the new 2018 HAVA funds.

This funding will assist South Dakota in purchasing new voting systems and the implementation of additional cybersecurity tools.

**2018 HAVA ELECTION SECURITY GRANT**

**Budget Information** CFDA # 90.404 Non-Construction Program

Name of Organization:  **SECTION A - BUDGET SUMMARY** *(Consolidated Budget for total project term-- up to 5 years as defined by grantee)*  
 Budget Period Start:  **FEDERAL & NON-FEDERAL FUNDS (Match)**  
 Budget Period End:

BUDGET CATEGORIES	PROGRAM CATEGORIES							TOTALS	% Fed Total
	(a) Voting Equipment	(b) Election Auditing	(c) Voter Registration Systems	(d) Cyber Security	(e) Communications	(f) Other	(g) Other		
1. PERSONNEL (including fringe)								\$ -	
2. EQUIPMENT	\$ 2,500,000.00							\$ 2,500,000.00	83%
3. SUBGRANTS- to local voting jurisdictions								\$ -	
4. TRAINING								\$ -	
5. All OTHER COSTS				\$ 500,000.00				\$ 500,000.00	17%
6. TOTAL DIRECT COSTS (1-6)	\$ 2,500,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,000,000.00	
7. INDIRECT COSTS (if applied)		\$ -						\$ -	
8. Total Federal Budget	\$ 2,500,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,000,000.00	
11. Non-Federal Match	\$ 150,000.00							\$ 150,000.00	
12. Total Program Budget	\$ 2,650,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,150,000.00	
13. Percentage By Category	83%	0%	0%	17%	0%	0%	0%		

**Proposed State Match**

A. Do you have an Indirect Cost Rate Agreement approved by the Federal government or some other non-federal entity?

If yes, please provide the following information:

B. Period Covered by the Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (mm/dd/yyyy-mm/dd/yyyy):

C. Approving Federal agency:

D. If other than Federal agency, please specify:

E. The Indirect Cost Rate is: