

FEDERAL FINANCIAL REPORT

(Follow form instructions)

1. Federal Agency and Organizational Element to Which Report is Submitted ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION					2. Federal Grant or Other Identifying Number Assigned by Federal Agency (To report multiple grants, use FFR Attachment)				
3. Recipient Organization (Name and complete address including Zip code) SECRETARY OF STATE, COLORADO 1700 BROADWAY STE 250, DENVER, CO 802901705									
4a. DUNS Number		4b. EIN		5. Recipient Account Number or Identifying Number (To report multiple grants, use FFR Attachment)		6. Report Type <input type="checkbox"/> Quarterly <input type="checkbox"/> Semi-Annual <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Annual <input type="checkbox"/> Final		7. Basis of Accounting <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Accrual	
8. Project/Grant Period (Month, Day, Year) From: March 28, 2018 To: September 30, 2019					9. Reporting Period End Date (Month, Day, Year) September 30, 2021				
10. Transactions							Cumulative		
<i>(Use lines a-c for single or combined multiple grant reporting)</i>									
Federal Cash (To report multiple grants separately, also use FFR Attachment):									
a. Cash Receipts							\$13,476,843.00		
b. Cash Disbursements							\$1,835,851.38		
c. Cash on Hand (line a minus b)							\$11,640,991.62		
<i>(Use lines d-o for single grant reporting)</i>									
Federal Expenditures and Unobligated Balance:									
d. Total Federal funds authorized							\$13,476,843.00		
e. Federal share of expenditures							\$1,835,851.58		
f. Federal share of unliquidated obligations							\$0.00		
g. Total Federal share (sum of lines e and f)							\$1,835,851.58		
h. Unobligated balance of Federal funds (line d minus g)							\$11,640,991.42		
Recipient Share:									
i. Total recipient share required							\$1,743,922.00		
j. Recipient share of expenditures							\$574,235.83		
k. Remaining recipient share to be provided (line i minus j)							\$1,169,686.17		
Program Income:									
l. Total Federal share of program income earned							\$490,120.51		
m. Program income expended in accordance with the deduction alternative							\$0.00		
n. Program income expended in accordance with the addition alternative							\$130,138.23		
o. Unexpended program income (line l minus line m and line n)							\$359,982.28		
11. Indirect Expense		a. Type	b. Rate	c. Period From	Period To	d. Base	e. Amount Charged	f. Federal Share	
				g. Totals:			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
12. Remarks: Attach any explanations deemed necessary or information required by Federal sponsoring agency in compliance with governing legislation: "Please provide the following information:									
13. Certification: By signing this report, I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that the report is true, complete, and accurate, and the expenditures, disbursements and cash receipts are for the purposes and intent set forth in the award documents. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent information may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 18, Section 1001)									
a. Typed or Printed Name and Title of Authorized Certifying Official Lang, Brad Controller & Budget Director						c. Telephone (Area code, number, and extension)			
						d. Email Address			
b. Signature of Authorized Certifying Official Lang, Brad						e. Date Report Submitted (Month, Day, Year) January 11, 2022			

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Federal Agency & Organization

Federal Grant ID

Recipient Organization

DUNS Number

DUNS Status when Certified

EIN

Reporting Period End Date

Status : Awarding Agency Approval

Remarks : "Please provide the following information:

State interest earned (current fiscal year): \$0

State interest expended (current fiscal year): \$0

Program income earned (current fiscal year): \$

Program income earned breakdown (current fiscal year): \$0

Program income expended (current fiscal year): \$0

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Federal Agency Review

Reviewer Name

Phone #

Email

Review Date

Review Comments :

2021-2022 EAC Progress Report

3. EAC Progress Report

1. State or Territory:

Colorado

2. Grant Number:

3. Report:

Annual (Oct 1 - Sept 30)

4. Grant:

Election Security

5. Reporting Period Start Date

10/01/2020

6. Reporting Period End Date

09/30/2021

4. Progress and Narrative

7. Describe in detail what happened during this reporting period and explain how you implemented the approved grant activities in accordance with your State Plan/Program Narrative. (*Note: Your activities should align with your Grant Cost Categories Table.*)

During the FFY 2021 reporting period, we spent grant funds in accordance to our approved state plan and the HAVA act. The following is a summary of the activities for which funds were expended in this reporting period .

Sub-Grants

Sub-Grants for the Purchase and Installation of Drop-boxes and Associated Materials

During the reporting period, the Department expended \$176,370.03 in Election Security Grants funds to aid counties in purchasing and installing 24-hour secure ballot drop boxes . In calendar year 2016, Colorado began issuing grants to counties around the state for the purchase and installation of ballot drop boxes. This grant process continued and was expanded in 2021, following legislation that increased the number of required 24-hour ballot drop boxes. Counties could ask for reimbursement for the cost of the purchase, delivery and installation of the drop-box, along with the cost for the purchase, delivery, and installation of equipment needed to keep the box secure, including camera equipment.

These grant funds were used to improve the administration of elections for Federal office in Colorado. In 2013, Colorado began mailing all active voters in the state a ballot. To improve both the speed and safety of returning those ballots, Colorado counties began to place ballot drop-boxes around their communities for voters to use. This grant program encouraged counties either to increase their use of drop boxes or to begin using these valuable tools. Usage of the drop boxes by voters has continued to increase, and the majority of voters now use it to return their ballots around the state.

Voting Equipment and Processes

Ballot Tracking

During the reporting period, the Department expended \$70,000.00 of Security Grant funds for the development of a user interface to allow voters to monitor the status of their ballots. This service works to counter foreign disinformation intended to decrease Americans' electoral process by reassuring Coloradans of the security of their individual cast ballots. In its first statewide implementation, statewide ballot tracking was popular with counties and voters. Slightly more than half (52.8 percent) of all Coloradans who cast a ballot in the 2020 General Election used the service. We have heard anecdotally that voters' confidence in the election system was boosted by the ability to receive confirmation that their ballot was accepted and counted.

Voter Registration System

Payments to the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment

During the reporting period, the Department expended \$2,340.00 in Election Security Grant funds for data on deceased Colorado Residents from the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) . These funds were spent ensuring the statewide voter registration database is accurate and up-to-date.

SCORE Development

During the reporting period, the Department expended \$255,754.28 of Election Security Grant and \$77,451.80 in Section 251 Grant funds for contractor development services to make enhancements and improvements to the state's centralized voter registration and election management system, known as SCORE . Some specific improvements to which this expenditure was devoted include updating the scanning process and batch management process, improving the task queuing process to make registration and list maintenance more efficient and improve auditability. The Department also expended \$167,131.76 in Election Security Grant Match funds on the purchase of hardware to support SCORE.

Cyber Security

Global Mobile

During the reporting period, the Department expended \$58,560.00 of Election Security Grant funds for the 2020 General Election to improve accessibility for voter's who needed to cure a discrepant signature or provide identification by using their phone . Individuals were able to accomplish this by taking a picture of their signature along with a copy of their ID to cure the discrepancy so their ballot could be counted. During the reporting period, the Department also added functionality to the system to allow a voter whose registration record was missing a signature the ability to sign the registration affidavit electronically.

Staffing

Rapid Response Election Security Cyber Unit (RESCU)

During the reporting period, the Department expended \$270,499.97 in Election Security Grant funds and \$66,778.36 in Election Security Grant Match funds to staff the RESCU unit, which is a highly-trained team of election security experts who help protect Colorado's elections from foreign interference, and disinformation campaigns . The team works closely with the Department's information security team to protect against cybersecurity threats and with counties to provide resources and assistance to increase their security awareness and preparedness.

Voter Education/Communication

Mis-Information/Dis-Information

During the reporting period, the Department expended \$253,700.00 in Election Security Grant and \$20,000.00 in Election Security Grant Match funds to prevent the spread of foreign mis/dis-information. The Department monitored for foreign mis/dis-information and countered it by promoting accurate election information in a trusted voice/trusted source campaign. The Department also recruited community leaders to amplify trusted source information across their networks, leveraging their trusted voice.

Other

Archiving Historical Federal Election Data

During the reporting period, the Department expended \$60,265.00 in Election Security Grant funds to upload, archive, and create a searchable database of Colorado's federal election data, dating back to 1902. The system is a public-facing web interface that allows a person to search historical election results and reference the source documents.

8. Describe any significant changes to your program during the project, including changes to your original State Plan/Program Narrative or favorable developments that improved program efficiency and/or service delivery.

N/A

9. Issues Encountered:

Describe all major issues that arose during the implementation of the project and the reasons why established goals were not met, if applicable. Address each issue separately and describe whether and how the issues were resolved. Also, briefly discuss the implications of any unresolved issues or concerns.

N/A

10. Provide a description of any training conducted, including security training.

N/A

11. Subgrants:

Did your office provide subawards to local jurisdictions during this reporting period?

Yes

12. Describe the activities carried out by your subgrantees during the reporting period.

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Provide a breakdown of aggregate subawards expenditures across major categories.

Other (Specify above) : \$176,370.03

Total : \$176370.03

13. Match:

Describe how you are meeting or have met the matching requirement.

We have allocated state funds to meet the full amount of the match. We have been spending the state funds on items within the State Plan.

14. Report on the number and type of articles of voting equipment obtained with the funds. Include the amount expended on the expenditure table.

N/A

5. Expenditures

15. Current Period Amount Expended and Unliquidated Obligations

GRANT COST CATEGORIES - FEDERAL

Voting Equipment and Processes: : \$70000

Post-Election Auditing: : \$0

Voter Registration Systems: : \$258094

Cyber Security: : \$58560

Voter Education/Communications: : \$253700

Accessibility: : \$0

Staffing: : \$270500

Training: : \$0

Subgrants: : \$176370

Indirect Costs (If applicable, FFR Line 11): : \$0

Unliquidated Obligations (If applicable, FFR Line 10f): : \$0

Other (Specify below) : \$499

Other (Specify below) : \$60265

Total : \$1147988

Comments:

16. GRANT COST CATEGORIES - MATCH

Voting Equipment and Processes: : \$0
Post-Election Auditing: : \$0
Voter Registration Systems: : \$167132
Cyber Security: : \$0
Voter Education/Communications: : \$20000
Accessibility: : \$0
Staffing: : \$66778
Training: : \$0
Subgrants: : \$0
Indirect Costs (If applicable, FFR Line 11): : \$0
Unliquidated Obligations (If applicable, FFR Line 10f): : \$0
Other (Specify below) : \$0
Other (Specify below) : \$0
Other (Specify below) : \$0

Total : \$253910

Comments:

7. Expenditures

17. Confirm Total Grant Expenditure Amounts

Federal : \$1147988
Match : \$253910

Total : \$1401898

OMB CONTROL NUMBER: 3265-0020

8. Certification

Name and Contact of the authorized certifying official of the recipient.

First Name

Kyle

Last Name

Dostart

Title

Accountant

Phone Number

Email Address

18. Add another contact to send a copy of submission confirmation and edit link?

Signature of Certifying Official:

Handwritten signature of Kyle Dostart in black ink.

Signature of: Kyle Dostart

9. Report Submitted to EAC



Thank you. Your Annual (Oct 1 - Sept 30) progress report for Election Security has been submitted to the EAC. Please keep the PDF download of your submission as grant record.