**ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION**

Secretary of State, Idaho

450 N 4th St, Boise, ID 83702-6027

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<th>To:</th>
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<td>March 28, 2018</td>
<td>September 30, 2099</td>
<td>September 30, 2021</td>
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**10. Transactions**

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**Federal Cash (To report multiple grants separately, also use FFR Attachment):**

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<th>$6,854,176.00</th>
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<td>b. Cash Disbursements</td>
<td>$3,513,455.07</td>
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<td>c. Cash on Hand (line a minus b)</td>
<td>$3,340,720.93</td>
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**Federal Expenditures and Unobligated Balance:**

| d. Total Federal funds authorized | $6,854,176.00 |
| e. Federal share of expenditures | $3,513,455.07 |
| f. Federal share of unliquidated obligations | $0.00 |
| g. Total Federal share (sum of lines e and f) | $3,513,455.07 |
| h. Unobligated balance of Federal funds (line d minus g) | $3,340,730.93 |

**Recipient Share:**

| i. Total recipient share required | $886,351.00 |
| j. Recipient share of expenditures | $886,351.00 |
| k. Remaining recipient share to be provided (line i minus j) | $0.00 |

**Program Income:**

| l. Total Federal share of program income earned | $137,502.84 |

**11. Indirect Expense**

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<td>Final</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>October 1, 2019</td>
<td>September 30, 2021</td>
<td>$327,579.70</td>
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| g. Totals: | $327,579.70 | $327,579.70 | $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 that 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)

**Houck, Chad**

Chief Deputy Secretary

**Houck, Chad**
Federal Agency & Organization : ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

Federal Grant ID
Recipient Organization : Secretary of State, Idaho
450 N 4th St, Boise, ID 837026027

DUNS Number
DUNS Status when Certified
EIN
Reporting Period End Date
Status
Remarks

State interest earned (current fiscal year): $0.00
State interest expended (current fiscal year): $0.00
Program income earned (current fiscal year): $0.00
Program income earned breakdown (current fiscal year): $ Source: e.g. Sale of registration list
Program income expended (current fiscal year): $0.00

"The indirect Expense amount is less than what was reported during the semi-annual report due to the additional funds not being needed to meet our required match. State funds were used instead.

Federal Agency Review
Reviewer Name
Phone #
Email
Review Date
Review Comments
3. EAC Progress Report

1. State or Territory:
   Idaho

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.)*

   Voting Equipment:
   - As noted in our mid-year report, the main focus of this reporting period was upgrading voting equipment, security, and processes. Those counties who were able to purchase new voting equipment in time for the 2020 Federal election cycle reported that they were very successful and efficient. The Secretary of State’s office continues to work with counties to purchase...
updated voting equipment using sub granted funds available to them.

Election Auditing:
• The INSURE elections cybersecurity center at Boise State University continues to develop its work on three key projects; EDISAN, Orbit, and Erica. EDISAN was piloted in Nov 2020, and is an Election Day Situational Intelligence Awareness Network (EDISAN) that allows state officials, county coordinators, and emergency managers a database connected communication channel that can triage, categorize, map, and assign events and issues in real-time as they are logged in from the precinct level endpoints. It is scheduled for limited testing in March 2022, and is being written in open-source code so it can be shared with other states upon completion. Orbit (research on blockchain security protocols) and Erica (cross referencing multi-state relational database for registration analysis) are both in pre-prototype stages at present and further information will be provided in future reports.
• A document dubbed “The Big Lie” was circulated nationwide and alleged that votes for a particular candidate were switched electronically and recorded as votes for the opposing candidate. This document alleged electronic manipulation in all of Idaho’s 44 counties, even though 7 of those counties had no electronic steps in their vote counting process. In an effort to ensure the integrity of elections in Idaho, members of the Secretary of State's office visited 3 counties to audit their elections results by hand counting each ballot and comparing the results to the counties’ canvased results. The results of the hand count confirmed the counties canvased ballots reported, refuting the alleged manipulation, and bolstering confidence in the integrity of elections in Idaho.

Voter Registration Systems:
• Over the past 12 months, the Tenex Election Management System has seen significant improvements to functionality and ease of operation. In November of 2020, the Tenex Election Desk, or TED, was used by Idaho in a national and statewide election, marking the first time TED had been utilized to this extent. Tenex training for all 44 county Clerks and their election staffs was conducted jointly by Tenex and the Secretary's elections staff, resulting in one of the smoothest (and certainly the largest in terms of voter turnout) elections in recent memory. In the first quarter of 2021, the Secretary's IT department designed, built, and implemented a secure vault, which allowed us to share encrypted jurist list files from Tenex directly with county and supreme court officials. In April, July, and September of 2021, Tenex delivered major new software releases, which included significant improvements to Voter Central, Absentee, Petitions, Streets and Districts, Campaign Desk and Election PAL modules. Additionally, new software modules were implemented in June of 2021 (Election Force and the Poll Worker Portal) and September of 2021 (Geographic Information System, or GIS). The GIS module is a significant addition to the Tenex software suite, as it will be used by all 44 Idaho counties in their local and congressional redistricting work in late 2021 and early 2022.

Cyber Security:
• The Idaho Secretary of State (IDSOS) continues to work with the Department of Homeland Security’s Cybersecurity Infrastructure and Security Agency (CISA) to enroll and receive weekly scan reports of the county’s public-facing websites. At the county level, the scan results will be used by county clerks to uncover and remediate any potential cyber vulnerabilities. At the IDSOS level, the scan results will be aggregated to allow our staff to identify any vulnerability trends across multiple counties, and develop mitigation strategies.

Communications:
• Election Videos: As part of a research project undertaken for a Master's thesis at Naval Postgraduate School by our chief deputy secretary of state, Idaho is nearing completion on the production of a 40-video series on how elections are run in Idaho. The Idaho Voter Education Project features 8 chapters ranging from 2 to 7 video “episodes” per chapter, comprehensively explaining the protocols and procedures that keep Idaho elections safe, free, and secure. Both an educational product and a security tool, this project helps inform voters what they should expect to see at the poles, enabling them to bring to attention those things that then appear out of place. New videos are released on Tuesdays at https://voteidaho.gov/voter-education

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.

COVID-19 created setbacks throughout many aspects of the Secretary of State's office, and the county clerk offices. As noted in our semi-annual report, shortages and shipping delays prevented counties from receiving and deploying voting equipment in time for the 2020 federal election cycle. CARES funds were originally slotted to pay for these equipment purchases, however, since they were not receiving in time for the 2020 election, they no longer qualified. The IDSOS adjusted their Security funds in the amount of $389,854.17 in order to accommodate those purchases for the counties. Funds originally allocated for equipment and training expenses by the IDSOS were reallocated to subgrant funds.

The 2021 annual in-person clerk conference was also cancelled due to COVID-19. The IDSOS had set aside funding for the conference over the next 3 years in order to train county clerks on the Voter Registration System and cyber security. Due to this...
years' cancellation, the $75,000 set aside for the conference was reallocated from training to other costs in order to hire a 3rd party to assist with the enhancements made to the online Voter Registration System.

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.

The Secretary's office continued to require monthly training sessions in a virtual environment, using the Knowbe4 simulation tool. This anti-phishing and cyber awareness training concentrated on the continuing problem of social engineering and human error. There was a total of 29 participants within the IDSOS office.

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.

The IDSOS has made federal funds available to each of the counties based on county population. Counties were also required to provide a match, and enroll in the weekly CISA scans in order to access their federal portion. As noted in the expense breakdown below, counties have been using most of their funds to purchase and implement voting equipment. Idaho had a successful 2020 election, a lot of which is attributed to the purchasing and implementing of updated voting equipment. We anticipate more equipment purchases by counties who have remaining funds.

Provide a breakdown of aggregate subawards expenditures across major categories.

Voting Equipment : $977,341.95
Election Auditing : $0.00
Voter Registration Systems : $42,744.73
Security : $37,227.99
Communications : $0.00
Other (Voter Reg. Security Equipment) : $0.00
Other (Specify above) : $0.00
Other (Specify above) : $0.00
Total : $1057314.67

13. Match:

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

Our remaining State match requirement of $886,351 was met by year end in large through match requirements of the counties along with our own State match, and a 10% di minimis rate applied to the managing of the subgrant distributions.

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

All voting equipment purchased this reporting period was done at the county level.

Electronic Ballot Marking Devices: 87
Voter Kiosks: 2
Electronic Poll Books: 190
Ballot Printers, Scanners and Tabulators: 67
5. Expenditures

15. Current Period Amount Expended and Unliquidated Obligations

**GRANT COST CATEGORIES - FEDERAL**

- Voting Equipment and Processes: $0
- Post-Election Auditing: $59469
- Voter Registration Systems: $356464
- Cyber Security: $5305
- Voter Education/Communications: $44543
- Subgrants: $766247

**Total**: $1232028

**Comments**: Total expenditures for this reporting period show $606.00 less than reported on the FFR due to correcting the accounting error that was reported on our FY20 FFR. Total expenses include $2,043.48 in interest that was expended during this reporting period.

16. **GRANT COST CATEGORIES - MATCH**

- Subgrants: $291068
- Voter Registration Systems: $70000
- Cyber Security: $24824
- Indirect Costs (If applicable, FFR Line 11): $29073

**Total**: $414965

**Comments**: 

7. Expenditures

17. **Confirm Total Grant Expenditure Amounts**

- Federal: $1,232,028.00
- Match: $414,965.00
- **Total**: $1,646,993

**OMB CONTROL NUMBER**: 3265-0020

8. Certification

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

**First Name**
Kathy

**Last Name**
Abbott

**Title**
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.

Signature of Certifying Official:

Kathy Abbott