**FEDERAL FINANCIAL REPORT**

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)
   - OH20101001

3. Recipient Organization (Name and complete address including Zip code)
   - **Secretary of State, Ohio**
     - 180 E Broad St 16th Fl, columbus, OH 432153726

4a. UEI
4b. EIN

5. Recipient Account Number or Identifying Number (To report multiple grants, use FFR Attachment)

6. Report Type
   - Quarterly
   - Semi-Annual
   - Annual
   - Final

7. Basis of Accounting
   - Cash
   - Accrual

8. Project/Grant Period (Month, Day, Year)
   - **From:** March 28, 2018
   - **To:** September 30, 2099

9. Reporting Period End Date (Month, Day, Year)
   - March 31, 2022

10. Transactions
    - Cumulative
    - **Federal Cash (To report multiple grants separately, also use FFR Attachment):**
      - a. Cash Receipts $25,907,133.00
      - b. Cash Disbursements $17,185,570.58
      - c. Cash on Hand (line a minus b) $8,721,562.42
    - **Federal Expenditures and Unobligated Balance:**
      - d. Total Federal funds authorized $25,907,133.00
      - e. Federal share of expenditures $17,185,570.58
      - f. Federal share of unliquidated obligations $1,635,809.91
      - g. Total Federal share (sum of lines e and f) $18,821,380.49
      - h. Unobligated balance of Federal funds (line d minus g) $7,085,752.51
    - **Recipient Share:**
      - i. Total recipient share required $3,353,523.00
      - j. Recipient share of expenditures $3,353,523.00
      - k. Remaining recipient share to be provided (line i minus j) $0.00
    - **Program Income:**
      - l. Total Federal share of program income earned $567,934.36
      - m. Program income expended in accordance with the deduction alternative $0.00
      - n. Program income expended in accordance with the addition alternative $376,740.88
      - o. Unexpended program income (line l minus line m and line n) $191,193.48

11. Indirect Expense
    - a. Type
    - b. Rate
    - c. Period From
    - 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)

   **Grewal, Ruchi**
   - Revenue & Budget Coordinator
   - **Date Report Submitted (Month, Day, Year):** May 10, 2022

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**Report Status:** Awarding Agency Approval

**Printed Date:** May 13, 2022
Federal Agency & Organization: ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

Federal Grant ID: OH20101001
Recipient Organization: Secretary of State, Ohio
                      180 E Broad St 16th Fl, Columbus, OH 432153726

UEI Status when Certified: 
EIN: 

Reporting Period End Date: March 31, 2022
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): $0
- Program income earned breakdown (current fiscal year): $ Source: e.g. Sale of registration list
- Program income expended (current fiscal year): $0

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# 3. EAC Progress Report

1. **State or Territory:**
   Ohio

2. **Grant Number:**
   OH20101001-01

3. **Report:**
   Semi-Annual (Oct 1 - March 31)

4. **Grant:**
   Election Security

5. **Reporting Period Start Date**
   10/01/2021

6. **Reporting Period End Date**
   03/31/2022

## 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.)*

   **Cybersecurity Monitoring:**
   During federal fiscal year 2022, the Ohio Secretary of State's Office supported local election officials and cybersecurity efforts by funding Albert intrusion detection devices and deploying a System Information and Management (SIEM) system that is professionally monitored 24/7 to ensure system security is constantly monitored, for all 88 county boards of elections.
Local entity cybersecurity assistance:
The Office also provided cybersecurity security support to local partners by contracting with experts who provide IT support to County Boards of Elections, including assistance with tool, software or hardware integration; software and patch management support; network analysis review; incident response planning and exercising; tier one incident management forensic collection support; and general engineering technical assistance.

Subgrants to local entities:
The Office has also continued to assist and support County Boards of Elections in the implementation of cybersecurity, physical security, and accessibility enhancements funded through sub-grants which were previously distributed to each county board of elections in federal fiscal year 2020.

Continuation of cybersecurity initiatives:
The Office has also continued to implement other cybersecurity initiatives envisioned in the Office's Program Narratives, including implementing the Ohio SOS vulnerability management program, maturing the security awareness program, and improving incident management response activities and IT security upgrades for critical systems. The Office also procured additional secure USB devices to provide to all County Boards of Elections for use when transferring results from secure tabulation machines to the secure election night reporting system.

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.
The Office has continued to train roughly 1,000 Secretary of State and County Elections Officials in cybersecurity best practices using KnowBe4. This package allows the Office to provide a quick, high impact cyber security training to help understand the dangers of phishing, how to properly spot a phishing email, and general cybersecurity principles such as good cybersecurity hygiene and password security.

As part of the Secretary of State Cybersecurity Program, the Office has provided training on general cyber awareness and focus training on social engineering topic area to Office staff and to County Boards of Elections. Additionally, in honor of cyber security month, the Office conducted an in-person threat update training which covered changing tactics in social engineering and preventative measures that each Board of Elections could implement.

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 office did not issue any new subgrants during this reporting period. However, the office did reissue some previously awarded subgrant funding that had been returned to the office, because additional needs under the original grant terms were identified. All other returned unused subgrant funding has been reallocated for other cybersecurity purposes and has been accounted for as a net cybersecurity expenditure in this report.
Provide a breakdown of aggregate subawards expenditures across major categories.

Security : -$79,620.90
Total : $-79620.9

13. Match:

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

Ohio's HAVA state match requirement was fully satisfied during federal fiscal years 2019 and 2020. Reporting of the Office's final amount of state match was submitted in the annual FFY20 report.

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

Ohio has not used any funds to purchase voting equipment.

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5. Expenditures

15. Current Period Amount Expended and Unliquidated Obligations

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<td>Other (Specify below):</td>
<td>$338</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong>: $2061565</td>
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**Comments:** $338 was spent on physical security equipment. • Decrease of -$79,620.90 in subawards is not noted These are returns of subgrants that were originally awarded during FFY20, and which were accounted for on the FFY20 Progress Narrative Report under the Cybersecurity Grant Cost Category because there was no Subgrant category line item on that report. Since then, because these funds were originally disbursed under the Cybersecurity category, we have accounted for these returns as net cybersecurity expenses to align with the original report. • Decrease of -$2,126,923.45 in 10f unliquidated obligations reflected on FFR is not noted This decrease of obligations is due to our office liquidating obligations. The amount of expenditures is included in our reported expenditure totals, and the remainder of the difference is attributable to adjustments of purchase orders. • No mention of FFR noted expended federal interest totaling $67,480.60 The expenditures of federal interest are combined with expenditures of federal principal in our submitted Progress Report under the Expenditures sections.

16. GRANT COST CATEGORIES - MATCH

| Voting Equipment and Processes:         | $0      |
| **Total**: $0                           |         |

**Comments:** Ohio's HAVA state match requirement was fully satisfied during federal fiscal years 2019 and 2020.

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7. Expenditures

17. Confirm Total Grant Expenditure Amounts

Federal : $2,061,565.13
Match : $0.00
**Total**: $2061565.13
8. Certification

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

First Name
Ruchi

Last Name
grewal

Title
Revenue & Budget Coordinator

Phone Number

Email Address

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

Signature of Certifying Official:

Signature of: Ruchi Grewal

9. Report Submitted to EAC

Thank you. Your Semi-Annual (Oct 1 - March 31) progress report for Election Security has been submitted to the EAC. Please keep the PDF download of your submission as grant record.