### **FEDERAL FINANCIAL REPORT**

(Follow form instructions)

| 1. Federal Agency and Organizational Element to Which Report is Submitted  |   |              |                         |  |               | 2. Federal Grant or Other Identifying Number Assigned by Federal Agency (To report multiple grants, use FFR Attachment) |   |   |                        |  |  |
|--|---|--------------|-------------------------|--|---------------|---|---|---|------------------------|--|--|
| ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION   |   |              |                         |  |               |   |   |   |                        |  |  |
| 3. Recipient Organization (Name and complete address including Zip code)   |   |              |                         |  |               | WY20101001  |   |   |                        |  |  |
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|  | APITOL BLD  | OG 200 W     | 24TH ST, CHEYE          | NNE, WY 820020001  | <u> </u>      |   |   |   |                        |  |  |
| 4a. UEI  |   | 4b.          | EIN 5                   | 5. Recipient Account Nu<br>To report multiple grant                      | mber or Ide   | ntifying Numb   | er 6. Rep                                       | ort Type                                    | 7. Basis of Accounting |  |  |
|  |   |              |                         | To report multiple grant   | .s, use 1110  | Attacriment   | ☐ Qua   | ni-Annual                                   | ⊠ Cash □ Accural       |  |  |
|  |   |              |                         |  |               |   | Fina  |   |                        |  |  |
| 8. Project/G   | rant Period (Mo   | onth, Day,   |                         |  | 9             | . Reportin  | g Period End D                                  | ate (Month, Day, Year)                      |                        |  |  |
| From: March 28, 2018   |   |              | 7                       | To: September 30, 2099 M   |               |   | March 3   | 1, 2022                                     |                        |  |  |
| 10. Transactions   |   |              | <u> </u>                |  |               | •   |   |   | Cumulative             |  |  |
| (Use lines a   | -c for single or  | combined     | multiple grant reportir | ng)  |               |   |   |   |                        |  |  |
| Federal Cas  | sh (To report i   | multiple g   | rants separately, als   | o use FFR Attachmen  | t):           |   |   |   |                        |  |  |
| a. Cash R  | Receipts  |              |                         |  |               |   |   | \$6,000,000.00                              |                        |  |  |
| b. Cash D  | isbursements  |              |                         |  |               |   |   | \$3,305,286.56                              |                        |  |  |
| c. Cash o  | n Hand (line a  | minus b)     |                         |  |               |   |   |   | \$2,694,713.44         |  |  |
| (Use lines d   | o for single gr   | ant reportii | ng)                     |  |               |   |   |   |                        |  |  |
| Federal Exp  | enditures an  | d Unobliga   | ated Balance:           |  |               |   |   |   |                        |  |  |
| d. Total F   | ederal funds a  | uthorized    |                         |  |               |   |   |   | \$6,000,000.00         |  |  |
| e. Federal share of expenditures   |   |              |                         |  |               |   |   | \$3,305,286.56                              |                        |  |  |
| f. Federal   | share of unliqu   | uidated ob   | ligations               |  |               |   |   |   | \$0.00                 |  |  |
| g. Total F   | g. Total Federal share (sum of lines e and f) \$3,305,286.56                        |              |                         |  |               |   |   |   |                        |  |  |
| h. Unoblig   | h. Unobligated balance of Federal funds (line d minus g) \$2,694,713.44             |              |                         |  |               |   |   |   |                        |  |  |
| Recipient S  | hare:   |              |                         |  |               |   |   |   |                        |  |  |
| i. Total recipient share required \$750,000.00   |   |              |                         |  |               |   |   |   |                        |  |  |
| j. Recipient share of expenditures   |   |              |                         |  |               |   |   |   | \$750,000.00           |  |  |
| k. Remair  | ning recipient s  | hare to be   | provided (line i minus  | ; j)   |               |   |   |   | \$0.00                 |  |  |
| Program Inc  | come:   |              |                         |  |               |   |   |   |                        |  |  |
| I. Total Fe  | ederal share of   | program i    | ncome earned            |  |               |   |   |   | \$275,812.18           |  |  |
| m. Program income expended in accordance with the deduction alternative  |   |              |                         |  |               |   |   |   | \$0.00                 |  |  |
| n. Prograi   | n. Program income expended in accordance with the addition alternative \$275,812.18 |              |                         |  |               |   |   |   |                        |  |  |
| o. Unexpended program income (line I minus line m and line n)  11. Indirect a. Type b. Rate c. Period From Period To d. Base |   |              |                         |  |               |   |   |   | \$0.00                 |  |  |
|  | а. Туре   | b. Rate      | c. Period From          | Period To  | d. Base       |   | e. Amour  | t Charged                                   | f. Federal Share       |  |  |
| Expense  |   |              |                         |  |               |   |   |   |                        |  |  |
|  |   |              |                         | g Totalo:  |               | 0.00  |   | \$0.00                                      | 00.00                  |  |  |
|  |   |              |                         | g. Totals:   |               | \$0.00  |   |   | \$0.00                 |  |  |
| 12. Remarks  | s: Attach any e   | xplanation   | s deemed necessary      | or information required  | by Federal s  | sponsoring ag   | ency in co                                      | mpliance with g                             | overning legislation:  |  |  |
| State inter  | rest earned (   | current fis  | scal year): \$0         |  |               |   |   |   |                        |  |  |
| expenditure  | es, disbursem   | ents and     | cash receipts are for   | best of my knowledge<br>the purposes and into<br>criminal, civil, or adm | ent set fortl | h in the award  | d docume  | ents. I am awar                             | e that any false,      |  |  |
| a. Typed or Printed Name and Title of Authorized Certifying Official   |   |              |                         |  |               |   | c. Telephone (Area code, number, and extension) |   |                        |  |  |
| Wheeler, Karen   |   |              |                         |  |               |   | I. Email Address                                |   |                        |  |  |
|  | ecretary of S   |              |                         |  |               |   |   |   |                        |  |  |
|  |   |              |                         |  |               |   |   | e. Date Report Submitted (Month, Day, Year) |                        |  |  |
| Wheeler, Karen   |   |              |                         |  |               |   | April 26, 2022 Standard Form 425                |   |                        |  |  |
|  |   |              |                         |  |               | OMB   |   | mber: 4040-0014                             |                        |  |  |

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## FEDERAL FINANCIAL REPORT

(Additional Page)

Federal Agency & Organization : ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

Federal Grant ID : WY20101001

Recipient Organization : SECRETARY OF STATE, WYOMING

STATE CAPITOL BLDG 200 W 24TH ST, CHEYENNE, WY 820020001

UEI

UEI Status when Certified :

EIN :

Reporting Period End Date : March 31, 2022

Status : Awarding Agency Approval

Remarks : 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): \$ N/A

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

## **Federal Agency Review**

**Reviewer Name** 

Phone #

Email

**Review Date** 

**Review Comments** 

Report Status: Awarding Agency Approval Page 2 of 2 Printed Date: May 10, 2022

| 3. EAC Progress Report                     |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| State or Territory:     Wyoming            |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2. Grant Number:<br>WY20101001             |  |  |  |  |  |
| 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<br>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.*)

The Wyoming Secretary of State's Office hosted the 2022 Cyber Security Conference that included county elected official participants and representatives from county election and technology departments. The conference featured several keynote speakers highlighting the importance of election security from all aspects of elections and expounded on the various opportunities for Wyoming counties to further improve upon current cyber and physical security postures at no or limited cost. In

addition to the presentations by subject matter experts, breakout sessions were held each day to focus on encouraging open communications, sharing information, debriefing on recent improvements, and looking towards the future. The Office helped determine 5 major recommendations for counties to use and implement prior to the 2022 elections based on the free services provided by the Cyber Security and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA). Counties have been working towards utilizing the free services and there was an increase in interest, which was followed by an increase in implementation after the conference. In addition to an increase in action, an evaluation survey conducted after the conference concluded that 100% of attendees learned actionable information that could help their office.

A week-long training session was held by the Wyoming Secretary of State's Office to assist counties with utilizing the statewide voter registration system. During this training, several breakout sessions occurred focused on identifying areas of improvement, setting goals, and identifying strategies to achieve those goals for the 2022 and future elections. This discussion included ways for counties to uniformly use the application. Additionally, a significant portion of the training was focused on the necessary changes to the system following redistricting. Following the training an evaluation survey was conducted and 100% of attendees agreed the overall quality of the training was high and the manual provided was a useful tool.

In addition to hosting training sessions, an election staff member attended the virtual Election Center Joint Elections Officials Liaison Conference (JEOLC). This conference served as that staff member's final conference towards graduating as a Certified Elections Registration Administrator through the Election Center. The conference provided valuable discussions on security-related topics, some of which prompted ideas for future policies. Additionally, several staff members attended the National Association of Election Directors virtual conference. This conference incorporated valuable information and resources that can be used for future elections including the 2022 elections.

Lastly, funds were used for ongoing operational expenses and system improvements related to our statewide voter registration system. The operational expenses included the monthly and annual fees associated with the validation of social security numbers via the Social Security Administration. Improvements to the system include modifications that enhance the efficiency for county users, to include requiring less data entry for users, better management of election day registrations, improved multifactor authentication, improved reporting, among other enhancements.

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

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

Election integrity has been at the forefront of many Americans' minds, including Wyoming citizens. Due to numerous claims of voter fraud, the Wyoming Secretary of State's Office has been diligently working towards identifying any irregularities and dispelling myths about Wyoming's elections being spread through mis/dis/mal information. During the 2021 Cybersecurity Conference, the Secretary conducted a presentation focused on educating attendees on the various myths circulating in Wyoming. In addition to educating county stakeholders on the current election climate, Election Systems & Software representatives presented on voting system security. This presentation provided detailed information on the security protocols put in place by Wyoming's voting equipment vendor and helped bolster confidence in Wyoming elections at the state and county level.

Following the Secretary and ES&S' presentation, a variety of breakout sessions were held that focused on sharing information related to new improvements put into place and ideas for the future.

The Regional Director for the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) discussed the current cyber threat landscape and provided attendees with best practices, to include the use of a variety of free services available to them. The following "top 5" free CISA tools were recommended to counties by this Office for implementation prior to the 2022 elections, if possible: vulnerability scanning, malicious domain blocking and reporting, phishing campaign assessment, web application scanning, and migration to the DotGov domain.

Attendees included 7 Wyoming Secretary of State employees; 14 county technology department staff; 15 county election staff; and 8 county clerks.

Additionally, our Office conducted a week-long training on the use of the statewide voter registration system. This training focused on all aspects of the system with an emphasis on the processes necessary for redistricting. Different from the past, the training incorporated several breakout sessions. These sessions allowed for collaboration, information sharing, and networking among the different Wyoming counties.

Attendees included 3 Wyoming Secretary of State employees; 31 county election staff; and 7 county clerks.

### 11. Subgrants:

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

No

#### 12. Match:

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

Wyoming's match has been met and a detailed explanation has been provided in previous reports.

13. 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

## 14. Current Period Amount Expended and Unliquidated Obligations

### **GRANT COST CATEGORIES - FEDERAL**

Voting Equipment and Processes:: \$0

Post-Election Auditing: : \$0

Voter Registration Systems: : \$168907

Cyber Security:: \$0

Voter Education/Communications:: \$0

Accessibility::\$0 Staffing::\$0 Training::\$10501 Subgrants::-\$2924

Total: \$176484

Comments: Subgrants include a negative value because these funds not used and were returned from Laramie and Washakie

counties.

## 15. GRANT COST CATEGORIES - MATCH

Voting Equipment and Processes:: \$0

Post-Election Auditing: : \$0 Voter Registration Systems: : \$0

Cyber Security:: \$0

Voter Education/Communications:: \$0

Accessibility::\$0 Staffing::\$0 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: \$0

Comments: Wyoming's match has been met and a detailed explanation has been provided in previous reports.

## 7. Expenditures

### 16. Confirm Total Grant Expenditure Amounts

Federal: \$176,483.18 Match: \$0.00

Total: \$176483.18

**OMB CONTROL NUMBER: 3265-0020** 

## 8. Certification

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

#### **First Name**

Kai

## **Last Name**

Schon

## Title

**Election Division Director** 

### **Phone Number**

## **Email Address**

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

18.

### **First Name**

Jennifer

### **Last Name**

Martinez

## Title

Assistant Director, Election Division

**Email Address** 

Signature of Certifying Official:

Signature of: Kai Schon

# 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.