

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) NV20101001					
3. Recipient Organization (Name and complete address including Zip code) Secretary Of State, Nevada Office Of The 101 N Carson St # 3, CARSON CITY, NV 897013714									
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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Semi-Annual <input 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) March 31, 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						\$9,083,287.00			
b. Cash Disbursements						\$2,266,069.07			
c. Cash on Hand (line a minus b)						\$6,817,217.93			
<i>(Use lines d-o for single grant reporting)</i>									
Federal Expenditures and Unobligated Balance:									
d. Total Federal funds authorized						\$9,083,287.00			
e. Federal share of expenditures						\$2,266,069.07			
f. Federal share of unliquidated obligations						\$76,781.25			
g. Total Federal share (sum of lines e and f)						\$2,342,850.32			
h. Unobligated balance of Federal funds (line d minus g)						\$6,740,436.68			
Recipient Share:									
i. Total recipient share required						\$1,174,999.00			
j. Recipient share of expenditures						\$973,886.00			
k. Remaining recipient share to be provided (line i minus j)						\$201,113.00			
Program Income:									
l. Total Federal share of program income earned						\$178,539.91			
m. Program income expended in accordance with the deduction alternative						\$0.00			
n. Program income expended in accordance with the addition alternative						\$0.00			
o. Unexpended program income (line l minus line m and line n)						\$178,539.91			
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	
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 Griffitts, Ashley Management Analyst I						c. Telephone (Area code, number, and extension) d. Email Address			
b. Signature of Authorized Certifying Official Griffitts, Ashley						e. Date Report Submitted (Month, Day, Year) April 30, 2021			

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Federal Agency & Organization : ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

Federal Grant ID : NV20101001

Recipient Organization : Secretary Of State, Nevada Office Of The
101 N Carson St # 3, CARSON CITY, NV 897013714 :

DUNS Number

DUNS Status when Certified : ACTIVE (as of 04/30/2021)

EIN :

Reporting Period End Date : March 31, 2021

Status : Report Certified/Pending Agency Approval

Remarks : Please provide the following information:

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): \$0.00 Source: e.g. Sale of registration list

Program income expended (current fiscal year): \$0.00

Federal Agency Review

Reviewer Name :

Phone # :

Email :

Review Date :

Review Comments :

EAC Progress Report

Response ID:279 Data

1. Login

2. Verification

3. EAC Progress Report

1. State or Territory:

Nevada

2. Grant Number:

NV2010100101

3. Report:

Semi-Annual (Oct 1 - March 31)

4. Grant:

Please select only one.

Election Security

5. Reporting Period Start Date

10/01/2020

6. Reporting Period End Date

03/31/2021

7. Recipient Organization:

Organization Name

Office Of The Secretary Of State

Street Address

101 North Carson Street, Suite 3

City

Carson City

State

NV

Zip

89701

4. Progress and Narrative

8. Describe in detail what happened during this reporting period and explain how you implemented the approved grant activities.

Due to the COVID-related complexities of the 2020 elections cycle, and the fact that Nevada's largest HAVA project will mostly be carried out in the next three years, only small amounts of the HAVA grant were used during this reporting period. A few approved activities were carried out in several grant categories, the details of which are as follows. HAVA funds were also used to pay for staff and contractor salaries and benefits to support all categories of the HAVA grant program. This occurred throughout the reporting period.

Election Auditing

HAVA funds were used to begin a pilot program for Risk Limiting Audits (RLA), as required by NRS 293.394. The State worked with VotingWorks, a nonprofit and nonpartisan organization, to use their Arlo Risk Limiting Audit software to conduct a pilot in four counties in January using data from the November 2020 election. In order to conduct a ballot comparison audit on the mail ballots, those four jurisdictions purchased imprinters for their tabulation equipment. The imprinters print a unique serial number on each scanned ballot, making retrieval easier. The purchases were made during this reporting period, but most of the reimbursements to the counties will be made in the next reporting period. Additional RLA pilots will be conducted this year for small municipal elections and the State intends to have a mock RLA either during the annual clerks' training program or at a separate event before the end of 2021. The remaining jurisdictions will also be purchasing imprinters for this program and will be reimbursed in the next reporting period.

In addition to the RLA pilots, one of Nevada's highest priorities is to improve the auditing of the statewide voter registration list to prevent and discover cases of potential fraud.. The Electronic Registration Information Center (ERIC) is extremely helpful in this endeavor and state membership fees are budgeted from this grant category.

Voter Registration Systems

During this reporting period, the State of Nevada began the process of researching, purchasing, and implementing a new top-down voter registration and election management system (VREMS) as detailed in the 2020 Annual Report. A contract project manager has been gathering requirements and preparation of an RFP for an assessment vendor to assist with the project. The RFP was published in March 2021 and the selection will take place likely in September 2021. The project manager is also working with other full time and contract staff to conduct twice-a-week meetings with representatives from the counties to develop the needs assessment.

Cyber Security

To increase the security of elections in Nevada, specifically with the voter registration databases, we continued the statewide multifactor authentication (MFA) project that was started during the last reporting period. This project is comprised of two phases:

Phase 1 was completed during the last reporting period using primarily HAVA security funds. Some of the costs associated with this project include election official training, and MFA hardware and licensing fees. Specific elements of this project are further detailed in later questions. Additional purchases of MFA hardware and licensing fees were made during this period.

Phase 2 of this program was delayed because of COVID-related complexities and diversion of resources to focus on

conducting the 2020 elections, but will be moving forward throughout the rest of 2021. Phase 2 will focus on adding MFA to the Secretary of State database, including our voter registration portal called HAVA Services, which provides access to list maintenance reports for the county clerks.

We continued moving county voter registration systems to isolated and dedicated hardware and will be continuing work in this area during the next reporting period. This separate hardware will greatly reduce the amount of access points to county data and greatly increase the overall security of county registration information.

Other

A nominal portion of funds was used to travel for contract staff to assist with the 2020 General Election and phone and email services for full time staff and contract staff that work solely on HAVA-related projects.

9. 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.

Otherwise enter N/A.

No changes have been made from the combined 2018/2020 narrative.

10. 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.

Otherwise enter N/A.

The only major issues that arose were all directly caused by the COVID-19 pandemic and election administration changes that were implemented as a result.

The first issue was the realization of significant state budget cuts due to the pandemic. Due to these cuts, the State had to begin funding two additional election staff salaries with HAVA grant funds. While this was not the most difficult problem to solve, it did require some rearranging of planned funds.

In addition, the COVID-19 pandemic made deployment of the MFA software and hardware quite difficult as most county and state staff were working from home. The need for VPN access required some rethinking of policy regarding the MFA project, but had no impact on the financial aspect of the project.

The COVID-19 pandemic also made it difficult to further implement the Isolated/Dedicated project, which had to be delayed to implement the other time-sensitive election-related processes.

11. Provide a description of any security training conducted.

Otherwise enter N/A.

For October's National Cyber Security Awareness Month, we utilized this time to increase state and county election officials' awareness of cyber security threats leading into the general election. A nominal amount of money was used to prepare weekly training exercises that were conducted throughout October 2020. The State also used the knowbe4.com website to conduct online annual cyber security training with all state and local election officials.

12. Subgrants (if applicable):

Describe how you made funds available to local jurisdictions.

Provide a description of the major categories of subgrant activities local voting districts will accomplish with the funds.

Otherwise enter N/A.

No subgrants were made during this reporting period. As discussed above and in the combined 2018/2020 narrative and the 2020 annual report, the State planned to use a portion of the HAVA grant funds for the MFA project and the Isolated/Dedicated project. Not all of the counties have made their purchases yet and for those that had made purchases, the reimbursements are still pending and will be reported on during the next reporting period. Additional county-level purchases for the RLA audit program will be reimbursed during the next reporting period.

13. Match (if applicable):

Describe how you are meeting the matching requirement.

Otherwise enter - match not required.

Nevada's total required state match is \$1,174,999.00. Of that, only \$201,113 remains. A portion of this match (\$213,886.00) was previously met in 2018 with a cash contribution from the State's general fund with the purchase of additional voting equipment equivalent to the required match amount (details previously reported in the 2018 Grant Report Narrative). Additionally, \$760,000 in State funds was distributed among all 17 counties to assist with paying for annual voting system license and support fees in 2020. The remainder of the match (\$201,113) will be met in the same manner, utilizing State funds. The full match requirement will be met by June 2021.

5. Expenditures

14. Current Period Amount Expended and Unliquidated Obligations

GRANT COST CATEGORIES

	Federal	Match
Voting Equipment and Processes:		
Post-Election Auditing:	\$37,063.30	
Voter Registration Systems:	\$180,820.31	
Cyber Security:	\$350,637.79	
Communications:	\$2,976.77	
Total	\$607,614.71	
Other: HAVA Staff & Support	\$5,046.96	
Other: Improve Admin of Federal Elections	\$31,069.58	

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6. Certification

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

First Name

Ashley

Last Name

Griffitts

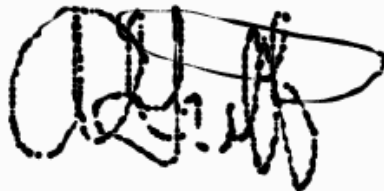
Title

Management Analyst I

Phone Number

Email Address

Signature of Certifying Official:



Signature of: Ashley Griffiths

7. Report Submitted to EAC



Thank you, your progress report has been submitted to EAC. Please keep the PDF download of your submission as grant record.