

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)
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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 type="checkbox"/> Semi-Annual <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Annual <input type="checkbox"/> Final	7. Basis of Accounting <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual
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8. Project/Grant Period (Month, Day, Year) From: March 28, 2020 To: December 31, 2020	9. Reporting Period End Date (Month, Day, Year) September 30, 2021
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10. Transactions Cumulative
(Use lines a-c for single or combined multiple grant reporting)

Federal Cash (To report multiple grants separately, also use FFR Attachment):	
a. Cash Receipts	\$4,496,720.00
b. Cash Disbursements	\$4,496,719.99
c. Cash on Hand (line a minus b)	\$0.01

(Use lines d-o for single grant reporting)

Federal Expenditures and Unobligated Balance:	
d. Total Federal funds authorized	\$4,496,720.00
e. Federal share of expenditures	\$4,496,719.99
f. Federal share of unliquidated obligations	\$0.01
g. Total Federal share (sum of lines e and f)	\$4,496,720.00
h. Unobligated balance of Federal funds (line d minus g)	\$0.00

Recipient Share:	
i. Total recipient share required	\$899,344.00
j. Recipient share of expenditures	\$899,344.00
k. Remaining recipient share to be provided (line i minus j)	\$0.00

Program Income:	
l. Total Federal share of program income earned	\$15,449.46
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)	\$15,449.46

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
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b. Signature of Authorized Certifying Official Griffitts, Ashley	e. Date Report Submitted (Month, Day, Year) January 21, 2022
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Federal Agency & Organization : ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

Federal Grant ID

Recipient Organization

DUNS Number

DUNS Status when Certified

EIN : September 30, 2021

Reporting Period End Date

Status : Awarding Agency Approval

Remarks : Please provide the following information:
State interest earned (current fiscal year): \$
State interest expended (current fiscal year): \$
Program income earned (current fiscal year): \$
Program income earned breakdown (current fiscal year): \$ Source: e.g. Sale of registration list
Program income expended (current fiscal year): \$

Federal Agency Review

Reviewer Name

Phone #

Email

Review Date

Review Comments

2021-2022 EAC Progress Report

3. EAC Progress Report

1. State or Territory:

Nevada

2. Grant Number:

NV20101CARES

3. Report:

Other - Write In: Annual 10/1/20-9/30/21

4. Grant:

CARES

5. Reporting Period Start Date

03/28/2020

6. Reporting Period End Date

09/30/2021

4. Progress and Narrative

7. CARES Grant Specific:

Describe in detail how you used the funds to address the pandemic.

Primary Election – June 9, 2020

With the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic in the United States, election officials in Nevada began to face challenges related to the availability of poll workers and polling locations for the June 9, 2020 Primary Election. To negate these issues, Nevada election officials decided to conduct a vote-by-mail Primary Election in which all registered voters were automatically sent a mail

ballot. However, since less than ten percent of Nevada voters historically voted by mail, Nevada election officials knew that the preparation, mailing, and processing of 1.8 million ballots would require significant voter education and additional mail ballot processing equipment.

The Secretary of State's Office used CARES act funding to lease ballot-on-demand printers and high speed scanners for the 17 county election offices in order to facilitate ballot creation during in-person early voting and to increase the speed of ballot tabulation. The State also used CARES funds to reimburse the counties for purchases of personal protective equipment for the Primary Election.

General Election – November 3, 2020

After the Primary Election, the counties and State anticipated returning to the normal course of business with normal levels of in-person voting before and on Election Day, although with higher numbers of voters due to populations growth since 2018 and the interest in a Presidential election. All 17 counties had an increased number of polling places/early voting sites to staff. The State used CARES funds to reimburse the counties for the costs of hiring additional staff and for personal protective equipment.

In the Summer of 2020, the Nevada Legislature convened a special session to address COVID-19 and passed Assembly Bill 4, which included the mandate to send mail ballots to all active registered voters. The State used CARES funds to conduct a voter education campaign and to reimburse the counties for their local voter education campaigns. In addition, the State used CARES funds to send a postcard to all 1.8 million active registered voters to clarify the changes to the General Election voting procedures. Many of the counties purchased mechanical letter openers and/or hired additional temporary staff to process the increased number of mail ballots. Clark County and Washoe County (the two largest counties in Nevada, which collectively account for 87 percent of the state's active registered voters) also purchased envelope sorters to assist in processing the mail ballots.

8. Describe the major issues you faced in dealing with the pandemic and how you addressed or resolved those issues.

Nevada's state and local election officials addressed the issues that affected election officials nationwide, such as keeping equipment sanitized and how to fit people into a polling place while still socially distancing, and how to recruit and train enough election workers.

The biggest problem that Nevada's voters and election officials faced was with the increase in mail ballots. Nevada voters had a major obstacle with understanding how to use a mail ballot and how to cure their signature when necessary. Most voters had never voted by mail before the Primary Election, so the Secretary of State's Office used CARES act funding to contract with a marketing group to launch a statewide voter education campaign. This campaign utilized television ads, radio ads, direct mailers and a new website to educate voters about the all-mail primary election and provide instructions on how to correctly complete their mail ballot. Several counties conducted their own voter outreach as well.

Educating voters how to use their mail ballot was only half the challenge. Since most people had never used a mail ballot, they were also unfamiliar with how to cure their ballot if they were notified by the county clerk that they either failed to sign their return envelope or the signature did not match the one on file. To help make signature cure more convenient and as easy as possible for the public, the Secretary of State's Office contracted with Global Mobile to use their Text2Cure electronic signature-curing platform. This allowed voters to cure their signature on their smart phone without having to photocopy and mail their identification to the county election office.

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

N/A

10. Subgrants:

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

Yes

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

CARES funds were distributed to the counties on a reimbursement basis. The counties purchased the COVID-related items they needed and then submitted reimbursement requests itemizing all expenses and providing appropriate invoices and proof of payments. The Secretary of State's Office reviewed the reimbursement requests and denied any non-qualified expenses. As of 09/30/2021, the State had expended \$2,370,395.70 of CARES funds in reimbursements to the counties.

Communications \$335,118.18

Security \$842.09
Staffing \$25,395.00
Supplies \$117,782.13
Voting Processes \$1,266,050.48
Equipment \$625,207.82

Provide a breakdown of aggregate subawards expenditures across major categories.

Voting Equipment : \$625,207.82
Security : \$842.09
Communications : \$335,118.18
Other (Specify above) : \$1,266,050.48
Other (Specify above) : \$143,177.13

Total : \$2370395.7

12. Match:

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

Nevada's total match requirement is \$899,344. As of this reporting period, 100% of this match has been met. A portion of this match was met with in-kind advertising services from the Nevada Broadcasters Association as well as a donation of hand sanitizer from Anheuser Busch. The remaining match was met with general fund expenditures from various Nevada counties. These counties used their original budget dollars to purchase PPE, social distancing supplies, sanitizing supplies, and to pay for the printing and mailing of additional mail ballots.

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

The following equipment purchases were made using CARES grant funds:
2 mobile ballot printers \$20,160.00
5 envelope openers \$65,965.00
2 envelope sorters \$530,332.82
1 ballot tabulation scanner: \$8,750.00
Total equipment purchases: \$625,207.82

5. Expenditures

14. CARES COST CATEGORIES - FEDERAL

Voting Equipment and Processes: : \$1049177
Voter Education/Communications: : \$1076998
Supplies: : \$149
Subgrants: : \$2370396

Total : \$4496720

Comments:

15. CARES COST CATEGORIES - MATCH

Voter Education/Communications: : \$840339
Supplies: : \$59005

Total : \$899344

Comments:

7. Expenditures

16. Confirm Total CARES Expenditure Amounts

Federal : \$4496720

Match : \$899344

Total : \$5396064

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8. Certification

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

First Name

Ashley

Last Name

Griffitts

Title

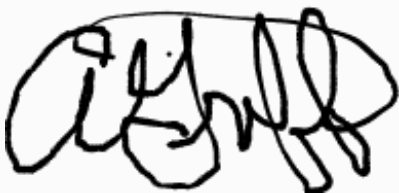
Management Analyst II

Phone Number

Email Address

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

Signature of Certifying Official:



Signature of: Ashley Griffitts

9. Report Submitted to EAC



Thank you. Your Annual 10/1/20-9/30/21 progress report for CARES has been submitted to the EAC. Please keep the PDF download of your submission as grant record.