May 20, 2020

Mona Harrington, Acting Executive Director
U.S. Election Assistance Commission
1335 East-West Highway, Suite 4300
Silver Spring, MD  20910

Dear Ms. Harrington:

The purpose of this letter is to certify that the State of Oklahoma will use the funds provided under the Notice of Grant Award, Agreement #OK20101CARES for activities consistent with the laws described in Section 906 of HAVA and will not use the funds in a manner that is inconsistent with the requirements of Title III of HAVA.

We further certify that we have reviewed and accept the terms of the award as specified in the Notice of Grant Award. Our UEI (formerly DUNS) number is 933541468 and the signed Certifications are enclosed.

At this time, we are requesting a grant award in the amount of $2,730,486, for which a state match of $546,097 is required. We will use the funds to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus, domestically or internationally, for the 2020 Federal election cycle. To address the effects of the coronavirus on the election our plans are to utilize the funds in the following ways:

- Disinfectant supplies and/or services for state and county election offices and polling locations.
- Personal protective equipment for state and county office election staff and other election officials and workers.
- Additional costs for supplies, equipment, or personnel for processing requests for absentee ballots.
- Additional costs for supplies, equipment, or personnel for processing voted absentee ballots.
- Increased absentee ballot printing costs.
- Increased postage costs to mail absentee ballots.
- Costs associated with the relocation or addition of polling places.
- Outreach, education, and communication to voters about the election process during the pandemic.
- Increased costs to recruit and train election workers and/or additional staff at county offices.
- Polling Place supplies and signage to educate voters and promote social distancing and safety protocols.
- Necessary hardware and software to allow state and county election staff to work remotely and securely.
- Supplies and/or equipment for polling places to protect voters.
- Other supplies or services needed for the State Election Board or local County Election Boards to respond to coronavirus.

Expenditures of these funds will be made directly by the State Election Board or as a reimbursement to county election boards for qualified expenditures.

If you have any questions about this request, please contact Paul Ziriax or Pam Slater at (405) 521-2391 or email us at paul.ziriax@elections.ok.gov or pam.slater@elections.ok.gov.

Sincerely,

Paul Ziriax, Secretary
Oklahoma State Election Board

Cc: Kinza Ghaznavi, Grants Manager