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## **2020 Election Security Funds Program Narrative**

The State of Connecticut will be receiving an award of \$5,735,740 to assist us in improving the administration of elections for federal office, enhancing election technology, and making election security improvements.

State Match Requirement: We will be securing the required 20% match of \$1,147,148 as follows: We have and will continue to expend \$660,000 per year on hardware maintenance of our accessible voting equipment. This expenditure will continue and after a two-year period, will provide sufficient expenditure of state funds to meet the required 20% state match.

We are proposing the use the entirety of our funding under this grant to upgrade and replace our current Centralized Voter Registration System which has been upgraded over the years but still contains elements of a system that was designed over twenty years ago. The upgrade and replacement will increase the cyber security elements of our system and well as add need functionality and accessibility for our local election officials that will enable them to administer the upcoming federal elections.