



DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
BOARD OF ELECTIONS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20003-4733



The 2022 Help America Vote Act (HAVA) Election Security Grant Program
Program & Budget Narrative for the DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

May 2, 2022

Mark Robbins, Interim Executive Director
U.S. Election Assistance Commission
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Washington, D.C. 20001

Dear Mr. Robbins:

The District of Columbia has greatly benefited from the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) Grant Program since its inception. With election security and integrity remaining a paramount concern nationwide, the District of Columbia seeks to utilize the HAVA grant funds (\$1,000,000.00), under the Notice of Grant Award, Agreement # EAC-ELSEC18DC together with the State Match Share (\$200,000.00) to continue the progress made, under the initial HAVA Grant Program, to improve the administration of elections for Federal office.

The District of Columbia intends to use the \$1,000,000.00 for costs related to redistricting (\$50,000), to contract with a credit reporting agency to assist with ensuring the accuracy of our voter rolls (\$75,000), to pay temporary staff to process voted mail ballots (\$100,000), to pay election workers (\$200,000), and to strengthen our communications efforts (\$150,000).

DC will continue to use a paper-based voting system and electronic poll books for in-person voting during the 2022 election cycle. DC will also automatically mail a ballot to all registered voters in the District of Columbia. DC implemented a new statewide voter registration system in 2021. The functionality of this system along with the hardware and software upgrades have resulted in a more robust and secure system. The BOE intends to use these funds to add on several identified enhancements that will provide greater flexibility and efficiencies in the Voter Registration System. These enhancements will provide greater system monitoring, expanded system backup and business continuity capabilities; and continue to prioritize the protection of the Voter Registration System and voter data (\$50,000).

The District envisions using HAVA funds to improve the physical security at each of our offices, warehouses, and polling locations, including the purchase of security equipment such as security sensors, cameras, physical access keys and other items (\$70,000); to enhance cybersecurity on our elections systems (\$55,000); and to fund security enhancements for our network infrastructure (\$100,000). DCBOE will also use the HAVA security grant funds to upgrade equipment and software for its voter registration, candidacy, and election management system and online voter registration and ballot request system (\$150,000).

Monica H. Evans
Executive Director

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Kinza Ghaznavi, Grants Director, Grants@eac.gov

EAC HAVA GRANT - BUDGET WORKSHEET

GRANTEE NAME: District of Columbia Board of Elections

AWARD TYPE: MATCH %: \$200,000

PROJECT PERIOD START DATE: 3/16/2022 **INDIRECT COST % (IF APPLIED):**

PROJECT PERIOD END DATE: 9/30/2023 **INDIRECT COST TYPE:**

SECTION A: GRANT BUDGET	YEAR ONE	YEAR TWO	YEAR THREE	TOTAL:
FEDERAL AMOUNT	\$1,000,000.00			\$ 1,000,000.00
NON FEDERAL MATCH		\$ 200,000.00		\$ 200,000.00
TOTAL:	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ 200,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,200,000.00

SECTION B: BUDGET CATEGORIES (Federal Only)	Voting Equipment	Voting Processes	Voter Registration Systems	Election Auditing	Cyber and Physical Security	Voter Education	Accessibility	Other (Provide description in this box)	Other (Provide description in this box)2	TOTALS	% Fed Total
PERSONNEL		\$ 300,000.00								\$ 300,000.00	30%
FRINGE RELATED TO SALARY											0%
EQUIPMENT	\$ 150,000.00				\$ 70,000.00					\$ 220,000.00	22%
TRAINING											0%
CONTRACTUAL		\$ 125,000.00	\$ 50,000.00		\$ 155,000.00	\$ 150,000.00				\$ 480,000.00	48%
OTHER (Describe)											0%
OTHER (Describe)											0%
SUBGRANTS											0%
TOTAL DIRECT COSTS											0%
INDIRECT COSTS (if applied)											0%
TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET										\$ 1,000,000.00	100%
PERCENTAGE BY CATEGORY	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%		

SECTION C: NON FEDERAL MATCH RESOURCES	STATE FUNDS	OTHER	TOTAL:
SOURCE DESCRIPTION			
State Funds - Local	\$ 200,000.00		\$ 200,000.00
		\$ -	-
		\$ -	-
		\$ -	-
	\$ 200,000.00	\$ -	\$ 200,000.00