

Welcome!

The EAC 2024 Election Security funding session will be session begin shortly. Today's webinar will be recorded.

Please stay on mute. Thank you!

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Election Security Available Funding

2024 Available Funds

The Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2024 provides <u>\$55 million</u> to the EAC, under Title I Section 101 of HAVA to make grant funds available to states using the voting age population formula in Section 101 of HAVA.

Minimum Payments

The minimum requirement for territories is \$200,000 and for states is \$1,000,000.



Formula Funding - Eligibility

Awards will be made to the 50 states, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (herein referred to as "the states"). The states may re-grant/distribute funds to local election districts/offices at their discretion.

Awards to states that are delinquent on any EAC grant requirements across the HAVA portfolio will be prohibited from spending until the state has resolved the outstanding compliance requirements.

Matching Requirement

Per HAVA Section 104(d) cash match must be deposited in the state election fund. In-kind match must be tracked in the same manner as cash contributions should be reported under the Recipient Share on the annual EAC Federal Financial Report.

State and local funds used for match must be different from funds used to meet Maintenance of Effort or state match associated with HAVA 251 Requirement Payments.

Match expenses related to the award must occur after the award start date.

American Samoa, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and the Northern Mariana Islands are exempt from the match requirement.

MATCH REQUIRED

20% of Federal Award

2 Years to Make Match Funds Available from Disbursement Date ~ March 2026

Full Grant Period to Expend

Award Details

Funds are available as formula, non-competitive grants.

- Expenses can be incurred against the grant from March 24, 2024, onward.
- Like previous funding years, states will submit an award packet that includes:

Terms & Conditions
State Certification Letter
Budget
Narrative



Application Process

Award packets with templates, documents, and full instructions will be emailed to grantees the week of April 8th (pending external agency approval).

All templates, training, and instructions for ES FY24 will also be on the EAC website at: <u>https://www.eac.gov/grants/election-security-funds</u>

All completed award documents will be returned via email to grants@eac.gov

Your assigned grants specialist will review your documents and respond through email with any revisions, clarifications, and approval.



Application Process Details

- The state request letter and signed terms & conditions are required to receive your award
- Spending FY24 funds can begin when all documents, including the budget and narrative, are approved by the EAC.
- The narrative should provide an overview of new/continued activities supported by FY24 funding.
- The budget worksheet should be cumulative for <u>all five funding years ('18 through '24)</u>.
- Budget revision requests for funding from previous years may be noted in the FY24 narrative and incorporated into the FY24 budget worksheet



Application Process Due Dates

Due April 19 th	Due May 6 th
1. State Request Letter	3. Program Narrative
2. Terms and Conditions Certificate	4. Budget Worksheet

Please email your State Request Letter and signed Terms & Conditions to grants@eac.gov by Friday, April 19, 2024.

Detailed guidance on the development of the program narrative and budget will be emailed the week of **April 8th**, **2024**. The deadline for submission of the narrative and budget is <u>May 6</u>, <u>2024</u>.

If you need an extension, please reach out to your assigned Grants Management Specialist or email grants@eac.gov before the due date(s).

Disbursement



Ensure your Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) and System of Award Management (SAM) account are accurate and up-todate.

Your SAM account must be active before payment can be made. Accounts expire annually. More information can be found at http://www.sam.gov.

Registration and reactivation in Sam.gov is always a cost free process!

Reminders:

- Funds will be disbursed to state election accounts after the required award documents (state certification letter and terms & conditions) are received & approved by the EAC.
- All HAVA grant funds must be deposited in the <u>interest-</u> <u>bearing</u> state election fund per Section 104(d).

Spending Categories and Allowable Use

Allowable Uses of the Funds

Election Security grants are "for activities to improve the administration of elections for Federal office, including to enhance election technology and make election security improvements, as authorized under sections 101, 103, 104 of HAVA."

Consistent with provisions in HAVA Section 101, states have discretion upon expenditures within the general categories. The EAC requires a budget projecting the use of the funds, however, states can request a budget amendment to add categories not originally anticipated and/or a move of 10% or more between categories.

Please see our <u>Frequently Asked Questions</u> and <u>Grants Guidance</u> sections on the EAC website for more guidance on the use of funds. You can also reach out to <u>grants@eac.gov</u> if additional clarification is needed.



Reporting Requirements for Election Security

Quarterly Reporting

Per the Appropriations Act, Federal Financial Reports are due each quarter 30 days after the end of the quarter ending December 31, March 31, and June 30.

Annual FFR and progress reports are due 90 days after September 30 on December 29. The EAC maintains the discretion on oversight and reporting frequency is subject to change as needed.

Period End Date	Due Date	FFR	PR
December 31	January 30	√	X
March 31	April 30	√	X
June 30	July 30	√	X
September 30	December 29	~	~



GLAS Correspondence

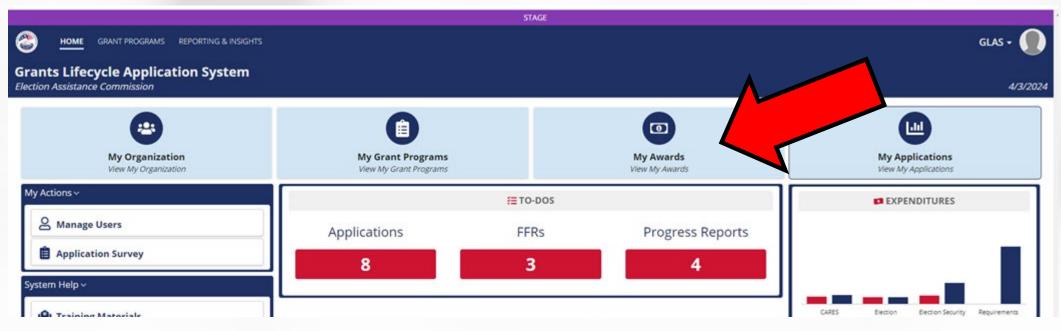
EAC Grants Specialists will upload approved FY24 award documents into GLAS, on grantee's behalf, using the forum/correspondence feature. Grantees will receive an email notification alert when a forum post is created.

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GLAS Correspondence Continued

If you do not receive an email notification that your award documents are in GLAS, you may look for forum posts/correspondence anytime by navigating to **MY AWARDS**



Reminder: All FY24 ES award documents should be submitted to <u>grants@eac.gov</u> for review & approval



Application Process in GLAS Continued

To view the uploaded FY24 application packet, navigate through the emailed hyperlink or awards menu, to find the Election Security Award. Click on the "EACELSEC18XX" hyperlink to continue.

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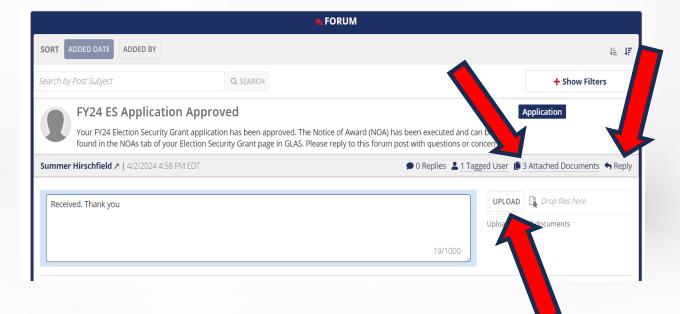
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Once within the Election Security Correspondence forum, you can:

- Click to view attached documents
- Download attached documents
- Review and read responses
- Reply to the post
- Upload additional documents



Detailed video tutorials on GLAS "Correspondence and Forum Overview" and "Receiving FY24 ES Award Documents" may be found by visiting: <u>https://www.eac.gov/grants/election-security-funds</u>







General Questions & Suggestions

Email: grants@eac.gov



EAC FAQ Web Page: https://www.eac.gov/payments-and-grants/grants-faqs

> EAC GLAS Training & Guidance: https://www.eac.gov/grants/eac-glas

EAC Election Security Web Page: https://www.eac.gov/payments-and-grants/election-security-funds



Help with GLAS Email: <u>glashelp@eac.gov</u>



THANK YOU

Questions?