



COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE**  
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Mr. Robbins:

Please accept this letter as the required program narrative for the Notice of Grant Award, Agreement # KY20101001-01 for activities consistent with the laws described in section 906 of HAVA. The purpose of the award is to “improve the administration of elections for Federal office, including to enhance election technology and make election security improvements” to the systems, equipment and processes used in federal elections. The Commonwealth of Kentucky is prepared to satisfy the requirements for the state match to implement the program. The federal share of the grant is \$1,000,000.00 and the Commonwealth of Kentucky will provide the required 20% match, \$198,610.00.

**VOTER REGISTRATION SYSTEM UPGRADES AND SECURITY**

The Commonwealth of Kentucky and the Secretary of State recognize the importance of safeguarding our election systems and providing improvements to the voter experience. We have made upgrades to the Voter Registration System (“VRS”) over the past two years, but because of increased scrutiny and expansion of voting opportunities, additional upgrades and security are needed.

The Kentucky VRS is an internal product of the State Board of Elections (“SBE”), and they take great pride in its continued improvement and performance. With Kentucky law changes in 2021 and 2022, the VRS now handles the request and tracking of absentee ballots. Further law changes also allow for the online delivery of ballots to those with disabilities so that they may mark and complete their ballots independently.

The money allocated through the Notice of Grant Award will continue the improvements to the VRS, as well as improved security of the system.

## BUDGET NARRATIVE

Category	Federal	State	Total
Voter Registration System	\$1,000,000.00	\$198,610.00	\$1,198,610.00

The Secretary of State appreciates the Election Assistance Commission and its recognition of the need for additional funds. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,



Michael G. Adams

**EAC HAVA GRANT - BUDGET WORKSHEET**

<b>GRANTEE NAME:</b>	Kentucky Secretary of Commonwealth	<b>MATCH %:</b>	20%
<b>AWARD TYPE:</b>	FORMULA	<b>INDIRECT COST % (IF APPLIED):</b>	
<b>PROJECT PERIOD START DATE:</b>	3/23/2018	<b>INDIRECT COST TYPE:</b>	
<b>PROJECT PERIOD END DATE:</b>	Until Expended		

SECTION A: GRANT BUDGET	YEAR ONE	YEAR TWO	YEAR THREE	TOTAL:
FEDERAL AMOUNT	5773423	6491766	1000000	13265189
NON FEDERAL MATCH	288671	1298353	200000	1787024
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>6062094</b>	<b>7790119</b>	<b>1200000</b>	<b>15052213</b>

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			500000							500000	0.033217707
FRINGE RELATED TO SALARY										0	0
EQUIPMENT	4000000		1500000							5500000	0.365394776
TRAINING		50000	250000			100000				400000	0.026574166
CONTRACTUAL										0	0
OTHER (Describe) Citrix Authentication Licenses			350000							350000	0.023252395
OTHER (Describe) UOCAVA Platform							140000			140000	0.009300958
OTHER(Describe) Software and Developer Licenses			1662213								
SUBGRANTS	6500000									6500000	0.43183019
TOTAL DIRECT COSTS	10500000	50000	4262213	0	0	100000	140000	0	0	15052213	1
INDIRECT COSTS (if applied)										0	0
TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET	10500000	50000	4262213	0	0	100000	140000	0	0	15052213	1
PERCENTAGE BY CATEGORY	0.697571845	0.003321771	0.283161885	0	0	0.006643541	0.009300958	0	0		

**SECTION C: NON FEDERAL MATCH RESOURCES**

SOURCE DESCRIPTION	STATE FUNDS	OTHER	TOTAL:
State General Funding line itemed in	\$ 200,000.00	\$	\$ 200,000.00
HB 1 for the purchase of voting equipment by the County Clerk's		\$	\$ -
Other State Funding from Annual Budget	\$ 1,587,024.00	\$	\$ 1,587,024.00
	\$ 1,787,024.00	\$ -	\$ 1,787,024.00