U.S. Election Assistance Commission

2023 NASS Winter Conference

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2022 EAC Highlights

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## EAC Funding in Fiscal Year 2023

- **$28 million** Overall agency funding in FY2023
- **37.8%** Increase over EAC's FY2022 general operating budget
- **$1.5 million** Goes to NIST

### Funding History

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2023 EAC Priorities

- Work toward certification of voting systems to **VVSG 2.0**
- Continue to develop the **(ESTEP)** Program
- Release of the **2022 EAVS**
- Distribute **$75 million** in HAVA election security grants
- Continue to develop **election official resources**
- Redesign eac.gov **website**
Deprecation of VVSG 1.0 and 1.1

• The EAC will accept applications for voting systems to be tested against VVSG 1.0 and 1.1 through November 15, 2023.

• After that point, all applications must be for VVSG 2.0 or limited maintenance modifications to existing EAC certified systems.

• You can continue to use or procure existing EAC certified voting systems indefinitely.
What is ESTEP?

- Stands for Election Supporting Technology Evaluation Program
- Evaluates the security and accessibility of election-supporting technologies such as:
  - E-poll books
  - Electronic ballot delivery
  - Election night reporting system
  - Voter portals
HAVA Election Security Funds

• Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2023: $75 million in Election Security grant funds.

• Total Election Security grant funds to date:
  – $425 million (2020)
  – $75 million (2022)
  – $75 million (2023)
  – $955 million Total

*This does not include $400 million in CARES Act Funding
The College Program grants are intended to:

- Encourage student participation as poll workers or assistants
- Foster student interest in the elections process,
- Encourage state and local governments to use students as poll workers
- Relieve poll worker shortages

In our FY23 budget, we received $1 million to fund this grant program.
New EAC Resources

EAC released **40** guides, toolkits, and more in 2022.
Upcoming Resources

- Election Management Guidelines
- Alternative Voting Methods Report
- Resources on:
  - Public Records Requests Best Practices
  - Security Checklists on Building Access, Deploying Assets, and Personal Security
  - How to Work with Your Legislators Guide
  - Accessibility for Voters with Disabilities
  - Communications Toolkit
Award categories this year are:

- Outstanding Election Official State Association Program or Local Office
- Outstanding Use of HAVA Grants in Elections Modernization
- Outstanding Innovation in Election Cybersecurity and Technology
- Improving Accessibility for Voters with Disabilities,
- Outstanding Innovations in Elections
- Best Practices in Recruiting, Retaining, and Training Poll Workers
- Creative and Original “I Voted” Stickers

Applications due by Feb. 28!
Questions?