NOTICE OF FEDERAL FUNDS AVAILABLE

OVERVIEW

Federal Agency Name: Funding Opportunity Title:

Announcement Type: CFDA Number: Application Deadline: U.S. Election Assistance Commission
2010 Voting Technology and Accessibility Research—
Military Heroes Initiative
Notice of Funds Availability
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July 28, 2010, 6:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time

Funding Opportunity Overview

The U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC) announces the availability of up to approximately \$500,000 in funds for a two-year grant focused on research to improve voting technology and processes for recently injured military personnel. Funds will support research to better understand the needs of injured military personnel in major hospital, recovery, and rehabilitation facilities related to election processes, including: 1) documentation of current practices associated with voting activities at these faculties; 2) identification of barriers that may prevent this population from voting privately and independently; and 3) reviews and assessments of new and innovative technologies for assisting military personnel's ability to participate in the electoral process.

EAC will award one \$500,000 grant for activities that span up to a two-year period. Matching fund contributions are not required, but are encouraged for this initiative.

Grants will be administered under the Office of Management and Budget uniform administrative requirements and cost principles applicable to the organization that receives the assistance.

This assistance is funded under the Consolidated Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2009 (Public Law 111-8) and FY 2010 (Public Law 111-117), and authorized under the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) of 2002, Public Law (P.L.) 107-252, Section 271.

To be eligible for an award, an applicant must be an existing nonprofit organization or institution of higher education and meet specific eligibility described in Section III below.

Submission Dates and Times

The deadline for receipt of applications is 6:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time on July 28, 2010.

Applicants should send an e-mail by May 21, 2010, stating your organization's intent to apply to <u>HAVAfunding@eac.gov</u>. This notice of intent is not required, but it helps EAC better plan the review of applications.

EAC will host technical assistance teleconferences on May 10 and May 19, 2010 to answer questions about this funding opportunity. Applicants are strongly encouraged to participate in at least one of the calls. Instructions for joining the calls are posted at the end of this *Notice*.

FULL TEXT OF ANNOUNCEMENT

I. FUNDING OPPORTUNITY DESCRIPTION

A. Background

The U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC) was established by the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) of 2002. EAC is an independent, bipartisan commission charged with developing guidance to meet HAVA requirements, adopting voluntary voting system guidelines, and serving as a national clearinghouse of information about election administration. EAC also accredits testing laboratories and certifies voting systems, as well as audits the use of HAVA funds.

In 2010, EAC is holding grant competitions to promote improvements to the administration of elections for Federal office and increase awareness of Federal elections by addressing critical issues such as research into voting technology improvements that ensure accessibility for voters with disabilities, the shortage of poll workers, and teaching young people about election processes and the importance of civic responsibility.

Through the Military Heroes Initiative, EAC is seeking to foster a better understanding of the voting needs of injured military personnel and enhance the military's processes for supporting this important constituency's participation in elections. The research will result in a better understanding of how to enhance, augment, and develop voting equipment and improve election processes and voting technology needed for injured military personnel. Additionally, the initiative will identify, through field research, practical and efficient ways to improve existing services offered through the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) and other centralized resources; document and assess voting equipment and technology as they relate to injured military personnel; and offer recommendations for reducing identifiable barriers that may exist that prevent military personnel from voting privately and independently. The research will result in recommendations for better processes and support for Voting Assistance Officers as they work with thousands of injured military personnel in recovery and rehabilitative centers.

The Help America Vote Act (HAVA) disability requirements, specifically, Section 301, and more recently, the Military Oversees Voting Empowerment (MOVE) Act, recognize the necessity for dramatically improving the voting process for people with disabilities and military personnel. Under HAVA, the legislation requires improvements to the quality, reliability, accuracy, accessibility, affordability, and security of voting equipment, election systems, and technology.

As of December 2008, more than 1.6 million American service members had deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan, and over 565,000 have deployed more than once. According to the National Council on Disability, over 30,800 service members have returned from a combat zone with a range of disabilities, including loss of limbs, sight and traumatic brain injury.

Currently, many public and nonprofit entities are engaged in projects aimed at enhancing the life of injured military personnel. However, few, if any, programs have engaged in research and

developments that focus on measures to improve the current voting systems and processes for injured military personnel in medical care facilities.

In FY 2009 and FY 2010, Congress provided funds to the EAC to support an accessible voting technology research program to help ensure that all citizens can vote privately and independently. As a result of a series of public input sessions, including a public meeting and roundtable session with accessibility and other research experts from around the country, the EAC has decided to fund this initiative from the \$8,000,000 appropriated by Congress for research.

Approximately \$500,000 of these funds will be devoted to the initiative described in this funding *Notice*. The successful applicant will publically disseminate its findings and proposed solutions for supporting injured military personnel in the elections process. The successful applicant will work closely with other EAC grantees conducting research in this area to ensure that analyses and recommendations that have applicability outside of the military setting are shared as appropriate. EAC's grant competition calendar for 2010 is as follows:

Competition	Amount Available**	Funding Notice Publication*	Applications Due*	Projected Award Announcement
1. 2010 Mock Election program	\$300,000		3/9/2010	4/20/2010
2. 2010 College Poll Worker program	\$750,000		3/31/2010	4/31/2010
3. Military Heroes Initiative	\$500,000	4/27/2010	7/28/2010	September 2010
 Disability Technology Research Initiative 	\$7,000,000	May 2010	July 2010	October 2010
5. Post Election Audits Demonstration/ Research Grants	\$1,500,000	May 2010	July 2010	August 2010
 Logic and Accuracy Demonstration /Research Grants 	\$1,500,000	May 2010	July 2010	August 2010

* Dates subject to change

**Approximate amount available

B. Project Description

This initiative will provide a competitive grant to one organization or consortium of organizations to research and recommend improvements to the elections process for injured military personnel. The winning applicant will be expected to deliver a set of agreed upon deliverables and recommendations by January 1, 2012 for use by election officials and other interested entities.

The initiative calls for the research necessary for short and long-term solutions to provide the military and election communities with data and recommendations on the voting process and technology for supporting military personnel who have been injured or have new disabilities as a result of their injuries. Applicants should discuss:

- 1. A two-year research plan and timeline that includes proposed strategies, or processes for developing proposed strategies, in the following areas:
 - a. How the applicant will define the research problem(s) and develop a research agenda, including identifying and gathering input from key outside stakeholders ;
 - b. The types and sources of data needed to carryout the research;
 - c. Detailed description of research methodology, including how field research based on interviews and interactions with injured personnel, hospital administrators, care givers and military voting assistance officers will be incorporated;
 - d. Strategies for collaboration and partnership with the military;
 - e. Proposed staffing configuration to support the research agenda that includes expertise in U.S. local election administration, work with voters that have physical and cognitive disabilities and familiarity with military and overseas voting policies and procedures; and
 - f. Distinctive phases of the two-year project including, but not limited to, data gathering to include testing and review of equipment, policies and practices and facility accommodations; development of findings, recommendations and deliverables; and dissemination of work products.
- 2. If there are consortia partners, the role and expertise of those partners.
- 3. How partnerships with the Departments of Defense and Veterans Affairs major recovery centers will be developed and maintained to ensure success of the project.
- 4. Possible collaborations to review and field test technological solutions based on research findings and how those partnerships will be developed.
- 5. Strategies for analysis of the voting assistance needs of subject voters. Such analysis may include direct voter evaluation with the subject voters at the facilities studied in order to adequately assess the unique needs of this population.
- 6. Strategies to identify and test new (or existing) technologies and processes associated with helping Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA) voters generally, and especially those related to assisting military personnel that have disabilities. Such strategies should specifically address, but are not limited to:
 - a. Developing specific usable and intuitive technical voting solutions for disabled uniformed service voters that are secure, accurate, accessible, usable, and cost effective;
 - Recommendations, plans, and implementation assistance to bring UOCAVA voter assistance websites of the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP), Uniformed Services and Department of State into compliance with Section 508; and
 - c. Evaluation of suitability of telephone voting systems for the subject voters, including use of the Defense Switching Network (DSN) and Voice Over Internet Protocol (VOIP) telephone systems operated on the Defense Information Network System (DINS).
- 7. Strategies to identify control measures that can be used by the military and election officials to monitor and evaluate the ongoing effectiveness of the process.

C. Performance Measures and Deliverables

Applicants should clearly describe anticipated outcomes and deliverables for the research in the narrative section of the application. EAC requires applicants to propose performance measures or deliverables that address, but are not limited to:

- 1. Statistical analysis of affected populations including locations for treatment, types of injuries, duty status during and after treatment (active/veteran/reserve);
- 2. Mapping of the existing processes and the grantee recommended process flow, which includes the personnel and technology requirements necessary to implement the recommended processes in addition to control measures to monitor the ongoing effectiveness of the process;
- 3. Recommended procedures and effective practices for supporting MOVE implementation as it relates to supporting military personnel with disabilities, including strategies (field tested during the course of the project) to bolster the work of Voting Assistance Officers in care facilities;
- 4. Analysis and recommendations to support injured military personnel who transition from being UOCAVA to civilian voters using the military's 'Turbo Transition Assistance Program'; and
- 5. Dissemination of research findings, effective practices and research results through field tests of new processes/technologies.

D. Authority

Support for the activities described in this *Notice* is authorized under Title II, Part 3 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (42 USC §§155441 – 155443). Funding for the awards made under this *Notice* will be provided from appropriations made available under the Consolidated Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2010 (P.L. 111-117).

II. Award Information

Funding Instrument Type: Competitive Grant Anticipated Total Funding: \$500,000 Anticipated Number of New Awards: 1 Maximum Amount of Award(s): up to \$500,000 Minimum on Individual Award Amounts: N/A Performance Period: Up to 24 Months

A. Number of Awards and Award Amount

EAC plans to make one award under this *Notice*. EAC is not restricted to this projection and may deviate from the number of awards and amounts stated in this *Notice* at its sole discretion.

B. Funding Instrument, Award Period and Future Funding

Successful applicants will receive a two-year program grant, with operating funds up to approximately \$500,000 for the duration of the grant.

C. Other Requirements/Limitations

1. Applicants may not use any part of an award from the EAC to fund religious instruction, worship or proselytizing, voter registration, voting support, get out the vote (GOTV) drives or other political activities that could be construed as lobbying.

2. Project funds must be used for tasks and activities carried out without partial bias and without promoting any particular political point of view regarding any election issue or candidates.

3. Pre-award costs can be requested by applicants approved for funding under this *Notice*, but are subject to approval from EAC per U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) guidelines.

4. Expenditures for building construction are not allowed under this program.

5. Grantees may recover indirect costs under this grant up to 5 percent of the total Federal share of the grant. If an applicant has an approved Federal indirect cost rate, the remainder of the indirect costs can be used as a matching contribution. Applicants without an approved indirect rate may not claim indirect costs as a matching contribution.

6. Current and previous EAC grantees must be current on all reporting requirements in order to receive an award under this competition.

7. Applicants requiring human subjects Institutional Review Board (IRB) approval must include a plan for such approval. IRB approval must be readily attainable within eight weeks of informal notification of recommendation for award to ensure continued processing for funding. There are three basic options for human subjects review and approval: 1) establish your own IRB (see Office of Human Rights Protection (OHRP) at Health and Human Services (HHS) http://www.hhs.gov/ohrp/assurances/index.html#registernew); 2) use the review board of a (usually local) university or research institution, either via consultants to the project, a project subcontract, or directly through the applicant's own contacts; or 3) use a commercial service.

D. Cost Sharing or Matching

Cost sharing is not required for this competition.

E. Application Selection Criteria

In awarding grants under this Notice, EAC will consider:

- a) Program/Research Design (50%)
- b) Organizational Capacity (30%)
- c) Budget/Cost Effectiveness (20%)

1. Program Design/Strategy

EAC will consider the quality of the proposed design based on:

- a) The soundness, relevance, and detail of the applicant's two-year research plan;
- b) The scope of the research project including the estimated number of military personnel as recipients and staff that will benefit from effort;
- c) The applicant's approach to measuring achievement of outcomes and how data collected will be used to modify and improve strategies, products and services related to the military election processes at rehabilitative centers;
- d) The applicant's approach and expertise in using innovative solutions to increase voting security, privacy and independence for voters that receive care at military rehabilitative centers;
- e) The quality of the proposed collaboration with military rehabilitative centers as well as other military units and personnel into the design and implementation of the project; and
- f) The outreach and communication strategies to the disability community to help ensure research agenda and recommendations. These should take into account the accessibility standards and effective practices already developed and in use in some jurisdictions.

2. Organizational Capacity

EAC will consider the capacity of the applicant to deliver the proposed services based on:

- a) Demonstrated relationships/partnerships with military hospital facilities, relevant State and local entities needed to make the project successful;
- b) Ability to manage a Federal grant as evidenced by previous grant administration experience;
- c) Expertise in area of absentee and oversees voting; and
- d) Relevant experience of the organization and staff in research design and implementation, election administration, and working with populations with disabilities as evidenced by brief staff biographies (or position descriptions if staff for this project is not yet identified) and past organizational success.

3. Budget/Cost Effectiveness

EAC will consider the budget based on:

- a) Cost-effectiveness of the proposed activities in relation to the scope of the project; and
- b) Clarity and completeness of the budget and budget narrative including staffing levels that support the program design.

III. Eligibility Information

A. Eligible Applicants

To be eligible for an award, an applicant must be a nonprofit organization or an institution of higher education, and:

- 1. Have demonstrated expertise in the election administration field, including overseas, absentee and military voters;
- 2. Have a track record of collaborating with the U.S military institutions; and

3. Have demonstrated experience in successfully designing and implementing research projects.

All applications that are developed jointly by more than one organization must identify only one organization as the lead organization and the official applicant.

EAC will conduct initial compliance reviews of applications to determine whether they meet eligibility criteria discussed in Section III A. Applications that do not meet all of the eligibility criteria identified in this *Notice* will not be further reviewed.

B. Other Eligibility Requirements

Lobbying: Any organization described in Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, 26 U.S.C. 501(c)(4) that engages in lobbying activities is not eligible to apply.

IV. Application and Submission Information

A. Submission of Application Package

This *Notice* contains all application instructions needed to complete the application. This *Notice* is available at: <u>www.eac.gov</u>, or may be viewed at <u>http://www.grants.gov</u>.

B. Submission Dates, Times and Instructions

The deadline for receipt of applications is 6:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time on July 28, 2010.

Please submit an e-mail stating your *intent to apply* to <u>HAVAfunding@eac.gov</u> by May 21, 2010. This notice of intent is not required, but helps EAC better plan the review of applications.

<u>Applications should be submitted via e-mail and must arrive by the 6 p.m. Eastern Daylight</u> <u>Time on July 28, 2010.</u> <u>Multiple attachments in the email are allowed.</u> Microsoft Word or PDF format is required. Submit applications to <u>HAVAfunding@eac.gov</u>. <u>Applications submitted by</u> <u>fax will not be accepted.</u>

As an alternative to e-mailing the application, applicants may submit a hard copy application via U.S. Postal Service, overnight carrier, or hand delivery to the address below. Submit one unbound, single-sided paper application and an electric version of your application on disk or CD. The electronic version of the application must be an exact duplicate of the paper original. If there are differences between the paper application and the disk or CD, EAC will use the electronic version.

Submit applications to:

U. S. Election Assistance Commission 1201 New York Avenue, N.W. Suite 300 Washington, D.C. 20005 **Late applications:** Applications received after the deadline date and time are considered late and will not be reviewed. EAC will notify each late applicant that the application will not be considered in the current competition.

Extension of deadlines: EAC may extend application deadlines when circumstances such as acts of God (floods, hurricanes, etc) occur, or when there are widespread disruptions of mail service. Determinations to extend or waive deadline requirements rest with the U.S. Election Assistance Commission. If extended, the new deadline will be posted at <u>www.eac.gov</u> and at <u>www.grants.gov</u>.

C. Form and Content of Submissions

The applicant must provide a well-designed plan with a clear and compelling justification for awarding the requested funds. The narratives must cover the two-year project period.

Note: No additional information beyond what is requested in this section will be accepted with this application. Letters of support as evidence of partnerships are not allowed at the time of application, but may be requested by EAC during the review process. Applicants should describe in careful detail the nature of their partnerships and how those partnerships will advance the goals of the project in the application narrative.

The maximum length for the Executive Summary (Project Abstract) is 3,000 characters (not including spaces). The maximum combined length for the Program Design, Organizational Capacity, and Budget/Cost Effectiveness is 25,000 characters (approximately 18 double-spaced pages, not including spaces). The application must be typed and double-spaced in Times New Roman, 12-point font size with one-inch margins.

Applications that are incomplete or exceed the mandatory character count limitations will be found out of compliance and will not be reviewed for this competition.

The application consists of the following components in the following order:

- 1. Standard Form SF424 (R & R)
- 2. Project Abstract (maximum length: 3,000 characters)
- 3. Research and Related Other Project Information Form
- 4. Project/Performance Site Location(s)
- 5. Key Project Personnel
- 6. Research and Related Budget
- 7. Budget Narrative
- 8. Assurances, Non-Construction Programs (SF 424B, Rev. 7-97)
- 9. Project Narrative Statement: (maximum length for narrative: 25,000 characters)
 - a. Research Design
 - b. Organizational Capacity
 - c. Budget/Cost Effectiveness
- 10. Certification on Lobbying http://www.eac.gov/program-areas/grants/certification-regarding-lobbying/

Copies of all application forms can be found at: http://www.eac.gov/program-areas/grants/federal-standard-forms

Should there be any inconsistency between this *Notice* and the application content instructions below, the order of precedence is as follows:

Notice Application Instructions

1. Abstract Narrative

Provide a concise overview of the proposed project that summarizes the need, the proposed strategy for addressing the need, anticipated outcomes/accomplishments and how the outcomes will be achieved and measured.

2. Program Design Narrative

Background. Briefly describe your organization's mission, accomplishments, and beneficiaries. Describe in detail the community and need(s) your project will address.

Research Design/Plan. Your research plan and strategy should address information discussed in Section I B of this *Notice* and generally:

- a. The target population(s) of your proposed project;
- b. How your research methodology is innovative and why it will be successful; and
- c. What the expected outcomes are, and how they will be measured.

Community Resources. Describe your strategy to secure previously untapped sources of private funds to build your program, including how you will use existing community resources including State and local election offices to implement your approach.

Research Participants. Describe the role(s) that individuals such as voting assistance officers, doctors, other military personnel, and patients will play in the research project including the strategies you will use to recruit participants.

Data Collection. Describe the types of data that will be collected and analyzed. Describe proposed data collection strategies including statistical analysis, participant observation, case studies, etc.

Dissemination Efforts. Describe the strategy for disseminating research findings.

3. Organizational Capacity

Program Management and Oversight. Describe the demonstrated experience and infrastructure your organization has to manage the program proposed in this application. Who are the key staff members responsible for program oversight? Detail the responsibilities of each key staff member and indicate if it is a new proposed position or a position already in place.

Fiscal Oversight. Describe the demonstrated experience and infrastructure your organization has managing Federal grants. What is your current overall organizational

budget and what percentage of the budget would this grant represent? How will you ensure that the fiscal management is compliant with Federal requirements? Who are the key staff members responsible for fiscal oversight? Detail the responsibilities of each key staff member.

4. Budget/Cost-Effectiveness

Budget and Program Design. Explain how the proposed program budget reflects the program's goals and design.

Program Sustainability. Describe how the research, findings and recommendations of this research can be used beyond the period of the grant.

Cost Sharing Sources. Detail the amounts and sources for any proposed non-Federal cash matching funds for the grant. Identify the amounts and sources of any other in-kind contributions to this project. Cost share is not required for this grant competition.

- **5.** Authorization, Assurances, and Certifications. Carefully read the authorization, assurances, and certifications and sign and return them with your application.
- 6. Performance Measurements. EAC will hold each grantee accountable for achieving the approved performance measures during the period of the grant. Performance measures must cover the proposed performance period of the grant, up to 24 months.
- 7. Budget. The budget should be sufficient to perform the tasks described in the proposal narrative for the entire grant period. Do not include unexplained amounts, miscellaneous, contingency costs, or unallowable expenses such as entertainment costs. Round all figures to the nearest dollar. Refer to the Federal cost principles at: http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/circulars for information on allowable costs in Federal grants.

D. Universal Identifier

Applications must include a Dun and Bradstreet Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number on the Standard Form 424. The DUNS number is an identifier that helps the Federal government improve statistical reports on Federal grants and cooperative agreements. The DUNS number does not replace your Employer Identification Number (EIN). DUNS numbers may be obtained at no cost by calling the DUNS number request line at (866) 705-5711 or by applying online at <u>www.dnb.com</u>.

The website indicates a 24-hour email turnaround time on requests for DUNS numbers; however, we suggest registering at least 30 days in advance of the application due date. Expedited DUNS numbers may be obtained by telephone at a cost of \$99 by calling the DUNS number request line. Applications without DUNS numbers or with invalid DUNS numbers are subject to potential rejection.

E. Intergovernmental Review

Applicants under this program are not subject to Executive Order 12372 "Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs."

F. Funding Restrictions

Grants under this program are subject to the applicable OMB Cost Principles (see 2 CFR part 220, or 230; OMB Circulars A-122, A-21 (<u>www.whitehouse.gov/OMB/circulars/</u>).

V. Application Review Information

All proposals will be first submitted to a compliance review for eligibility. All applications in compliance with this *Notice* and the application instructions will be advanced for programmatic review. EAC staff will review all qualified proposals using the selection criteria described in Section II of this *Notice*. An outside peer review process may be used at EAC's discretion. During the staff review process, EAC staff may request additional supporting documentation from the applicant.

VI. Award Administration Information

A. Anticipated Announcement and Award Notices

EAC anticipates announcing selections in early summer 2010.

EAC staff will work with the selected applicants to clarify and finalize their application prior to the grant award. During this negotiation period, any issues or questions identified during the review of the application must be satisfactorily resolved before a Notice of Grant Award (NGA) will be issued. The agreement will also include the standard terms and conditions, general terms and conditions (if any), and special award conditions (if any) that are applicable.

To obtain grant funds, grantees will be required to submit a SF 270, *Request for Advance or Reimbursement*, to EAC.

B. Administrative and National Policy Requirements

The applicable regulations and other specific conditions are incorporated in the Notice of Grant Award (NGA). The NGA also incorporates your approved application and budget as part of your binding commitments under this grant. The award recipient must comply with the following requirements:

1. Access for Persons with Disabilities. All grant recipients will ensure that all training and technical assistance services and resources including web sites are accessible to persons with disabilities, as required by law.

2. Financial Management Systems. Applicants selected for funding must comply with the requirements of the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 (31 U.S.C.7501-07), if the applicant expended \$500,000 or more in Federal awards in its most recent fiscal year. Documentation must include certification that the applicant maintains internal controls over Federal awards; complies with applicable laws; regulations and contract or grant provisions;

and prepares appropriate financial statements; or submits the most recent audit by the applicant's independent public accountant.

3. Use of Materials. To ensure that materials generated with EAC funding are available to the public and readily accessible to grantees and sub-grantees, EAC reserves a royalty-free, nonexclusive, and irrevocable right to obtain, use, modify, reproduce, publish, or disseminate publications and materials produced under the agreement, including data, and to authorize others to do so. The grantee must agree to make such publications and materials available to the public at no cost or at the cost of reproduction through the EAC's clearinghouse. All materials developed with EAC funds by grantees must be accessible to individuals with disabilities to the extent required by law.

C. Reports and Other Requirements

1. Performance Measurement and Accountability

EAC is committed to accountability and to measuring the performance of all of its grantees. The award recipient for this competition must identify the critical outcomes of their work, indicators of success in this work, and how progress can be judged or measured. The recipient will be required to report annually on agreed upon performance measures. EAC may also require an independent assessment of grantee performance.

2. Reporting Requirements

Progress Report. Annual reports are due October 31 for the period ending September 30. The reports must include:

Budget report for the completed budget period;

Narrative analysis of the budget report, explaining differences between budgeted and actual activities and costs by funding source;

Achievements as related to performance measurements; and

Discussion of any problems observed or experienced and solutions implemented.

Financial Reports. Federal Financial Report SF 425 (FFR) must be submitted annually by October 31 for the period ending September 30. A final FFR is due 30 days after the close of the grant.

3. Other data collection requirements

The award recipient must:

- a) Submit copies of all curricula, handouts, and other materials developed to EAC's Clearinghouse.
- b) As directed, use EAC's logo for materials produced.
- c) Meet as necessary with appropriate EAC staff or EAC designees to review work plans and budgets, monitor progress and exchange ideas and information.

VII. Agency Contacts

For further information or for a printed copy of this *Notice*, contact:

Patrick Leahy or Allison Hood U. S. Election Assistance Commission 1201 New York Avenue, N.W. Suite 300 Washington, D.C. 20005 Phone: (202) 566-3100 E-mail: <u>HAVAfunding@eac.gov</u>.

VIII. OTHER INFORMATION

Two technical assistance calls have been scheduled to answer applicant questions about this competition.

1. Event address for attendees: https://eacevents.webex.com/eacevents/onstage/g.php?t=a&d=663531871 Monday, May 10, 2010 2:00 pm, Eastern Daylight Time Date and time: **Duration:** 1 hour 30 minutes 663 531 871 Event number: Event password: voting Teleconference: Call-in toll-free number (US/Canada) 1-866-699-3239 Call-in toll number (US/Canada) 1-408-792-6300 Access code: 663 531 871 2. Event address for attendees: https://eacevents.webex.com/eacevents/onstage/g.php?t=a&d=662540663 Date and time: Wednesday, May 19, 2010 2:00 pm Eastern Daylight Time Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes Event number: 662 540 663 Event password: voting Teleconference: Call-in toll-free number (US/Canada) 1-866-699-3239 Call-in toll number (US/Canada) 1-408-792-6300 Show toll-free dialing restrictions Access code: 662 540 663

Public Burden Statement: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 requires the EAC to inform all potential persons who are to respond to this collection of information that such persons are not required to respond unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. (See 5 CFR 1320.5(b)(2)(i)). This collection is approved under OMB Control #: 4040-0001, 4040-003, 4040-0007, 4040-0010 (Expiration Date: 01/31/2012).

Dated: May 20, 2010