

ATTACHMENT II



IVRS GRANT FY 2026

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Overview

These funds are specifically to be used for assisting in the maintenance and other costs associated with your voter registration system in order for it to communicate with the centralized statewide voter registration system, and some election and physical security related expenses.

Dates & Deadlines

Grant Period	July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026
Agreement Submission Deadline	September 2, 2025
Grant Reimbursement Deadline	June 15, 2026

Allowable expenditures *may* include:

- Annual registration license/maintenance fees
- Some costs associated with implementation of new VR software (training, data conversion, installation)
- Costs associated with the voter purge, such as:
 - Postage
 - Permit fees
 - Printing costs
 - Voter ID cards/MVR-26 cards
- ICN connection costs
- Voter registration hardware (computers, monitors, scanners, etc.)
- Election security, (for election workstations only), such as:
 - Backup of VR data (hardware & software)
 - Endpoint security on VR related workstations
 - Firewalls
 - Website security
 - Email security
 - Network monitoring software
 - Multi-factor authentication
- Physical election security, such as:
 - Security cameras
 - New locks on doors/windows that store/hold election equipment
 - Badge system
 - Barriers to protect staff from direct public access

Submissions *shall not* include (but are not limited too):

- Redistricting/remapping costs
- Voting equipment maintenance or anything else related to voting equipment
- Voting equipment
- Vehicles

All expenditures should be submitted through the eGrants site, through IVRS. See the eGrants Instruction Guide for assistance on this process. **No grants will be accepted via email or via mail unless otherwise directed by the Grants Program Manager.**



Illinois State Board of Elections
Voter Registration State Grant
Fiscal Year 2026 Grant Agreement



The purpose of this grant is to assist in the maintenance and other costs associated with jurisdictional voter registration systems in order for them to communicate with the Centralized Statewide Voter Registration System as required by Title III Section 303 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002, and with other election security related matters. The recipient, also herein referred to as the election authority, is the eligible recipient of this grant. The election authority, **DuPage County**, is eligible to be reimbursed for an amount of **\$577,122.81**. If expenses exceed this amount and funding is available, a second round of reimbursements may be possible.

The State Board of Elections, herein referred to as the grantor, and the election authority have responsibilities both as to spending the monies for the intended purposes of this grant, and tracking expenditures not previously covered or reimbursed by the IVRS Grant, or other grant monies. **By accepting this money, the election authority agrees to send copies of all future documented expenditures and/or obligations to expend for audit purposes in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Funds may not be reimbursable otherwise.** *It is important to note that only documented expenditures and/or obligations to expend are eligible for reimbursement, meaning invoices and proof of payment must be provided per the approval of the grantor to receive payment.* Purchases made from this fund shall become the responsibility and property of the election authority, not the grantor. All property control and custody responsibilities will be assumed by the election authority. Likewise, the election authority agrees that all future costs related to maintenance, repairs, and upgrades to equipment or property purchased with these grant funds shall be the sole responsibility of the election authority, not the grantor.

As a condition of a receipt of this grant, the election authority agrees to comply with the provisions of the Business Enterprise for Minorities, Females, and Persons with Disabilities Act (30 ILCS 575/) and the equal employment practices of the Illinois Human Rights Act (775 ILCS 5/2-105). Award recipients must also adhere to all applicable federal requirements including Office of Management and Budget guidance (2 CFR 200).

This grant is subject to the Illinois Grant Funds Recover Act (30 ILCS 705/1, et seq.). Therefore, any unspent portion of the grant that remains after 30 days must be returned with interest to the grantor (State Board of Elections) immediately. Any misspent or improperly held grant funds are subject to recovery by the grantor.

By signing this document, the election authority certifies to use the grant funds provided for the purposes articulated above and understands and agrees to the record keeping and documentation requirements set forth above.

If the Agreement amount is established on an estimated basis, then it may be increased by mutual agreement at any time during the Term. Grantor may decrease the estimated amount of this Agreement at any time during the Term if (i) Grantor believes recipient will not use the funds during the term, (ii) Grantor believes recipient has used Grant Funds in a manner that was not authorized by this Agreement, or (iii) sufficient funds for this Agreement have not be appropriated or otherwise made available to Grantor by the State or federal funding source. Recipient will be notified, in writing, of any adjustment of the estimated amount of this Agreement. In the event of such reduction, services provided by recipient under [appropriate section] may be reduced accordingly. Grantor must pay recipient for work satisfactorily performed prior to the date of the notice regarding adjustment. (2 CFR 200.308)

Any violations of this agreement may be reported to appropriate legal authorities for review and appropriate action.

The undersigned (*election authority or authorized agent*) has the authority to enter into this agreement or has sought approval to enter into this agreement, if applicable, and agrees to the above in its entirety.

Election Authority or Authorized Agent

Signature: _____

Printed Name: Jean Kaczmarek

Title: County Clerk

Date: 7/11/2025

Illinois State Board of Elections

Signature: _____

Printed Name: Abby A. Beaty

Title: Grants Program Manager

Date: 07/07/2025

Signature: _____

Printed Name: Bernadette M. Matthews

Title: Executive Director

Date: 07/07/2025