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Legislation Text

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Registrar of Voters recommending the Board consider the following:

- 1) Approve and authorize the Chair to sign Resolution **016-2019** for a Grant Fund Agreement of \$25,000 from date of execution through June 30, 2021, available under the Help America Vote Act Section 101 for the "improvement of the administration of elections";
- 2) Approve and authorize a budget amendment to increase revenue and appropriations to the Elections Department for Fiscal Year 2018-19 for \$25,000; and
- 3) Authorize the Registrar of Voters to execute Grant Funding Agreement No. 18G26109.

FUNDING: 100% Federal Funding.

DISCUSSION / BACKGROUND

The Secretary of State, through the U.S. Elections Administration Commission, has made \$25,000 available for Help American vote Act (HAVA) grant reimbursement funds to the Elections Department.

This funding is provided to improve polling place accessibility to voters with disabilities. The Elections Department will use the funds specifically to send two employees to accessibility training, and to purchase any necessary tools to perform accessibility audits (i.e. slope measurement, calculators, tape measures, cameras, etc.) as needed. The elections department will also use the funds to pay for staff to audit/survey our existing and prospective polling locations, and for the purchase of any needed mitigation equipment (for example temporary door ramps, temporary pull handles, temporary hand rails, low-vision pens, magnifying devices, etc.) to improve accessibility for voters with specific needs.

This is a grant the County has been able to take advantage of for over 7 years, ensuring the voters of El Dorado County a more accessible voting experience.

ALTERNATIVES

N/A

PRIOR BOARD ACTION

N/A

OTHER DEPARTMENT / AGENCY INVOLVEMENT

N/A

CAO RECOMMENDATION / COMMENTS

It is recommended that the Board approve this item.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

No change to Net County Cost, budget amendment is attached.

CLERK OF THE BOARD FOLLOW UP ACTIONS

Return executed Resolution to the Elections Department.

STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENT

N/A

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