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## **Brief Description of Program:**

The program objective is to most efficiently and effectively use the election security funding to complement existing efforts to safeguard elections.

Funds are utilized to modernize our Statewide Election Information Management System, including the statewide voter registration system, election event management systems, voting site management systems, and election night reporting systems. Funds are also utilized to upgrade our existing infrastructure, load testing and backup systems. Funds are also allocated to sub-recipients (100 county elections boards) to address identified security needs. Thousands of election workers are trained for each election in North Carolina. The goal is to expand the content of our programs to include training on detecting, preventing and responding to cyber-attacks. The program is also implementing a Cyber Advisory Panel to provide us with ongoing guidance in addressing security threats and staying current with best practices. The program will also implement security recommendations provided by federal, state and NGO partners.

Allowable activities include improving the administration of elections for Federal office, including by enhancing election technology and making election security improvements, as authorized under Section 101 of the Help America Vote Act.

Organizations Funded:	[ ] Private	[X ] Local Government	<u> </u>
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