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Mr. Adam Proffitt
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Dear Mr. Proffitt,

Attached is a copy of the Secretary of State budget narrative, including the DA-405 documents. In addition, the financial section of the budget has been submitted via IBARS.

Please let us know if you would like additional information. We look forward to working with you and your staff on the submitted budget.

Sincerely,

Scott Schwab
Secretary of State

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Agency Mission
The mission of the Secretary of State's office is to provide excellent, efficient customer service by being the least complicated, most accessible agency in state government.

Philosophy
The agency is committed to continuously improving its practices and functions to deliver quality services in the most effective, resourceful way.

Statutory History
The Office of the Secretary of State is created by Article 1, § 1 of the Kansas Constitution. The Secretary serves a four-year term. The Constitution creates the office, but several hundred state laws establish the duties of the agency. The agency's organizational structure is determined primarily by K.S.A. 75-412 which authorizes the appointment of an assistant secretary of state and up to five deputy assistant secretaries. The deputies supervise the agency's primary programs, including administration, elections, business services, and Help America Vote Act (HAVA).

In 2003, the Legislature determined the Secretary of State's office would be a fully fee-funded agency. The agency was previously funded through a combination of state general funds (SGF) and fee funds. Currently, the agency is fully fee-funded and manages its fund balances to provide adequate capital throughout the fiscal year. On occasion, the agency will request an SGF appropriation for costs associated with responsibilities requiring substantial funding.

Programs executing agency mission:
Administration
Business Services
Elections
Help America Vote Act (HAVA)

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Program	FTE Positions*	Non-FTE Unclassified Permanent Positions
Administration	25.0	0.98
Business Services	10.0	0.49
Elections Legislative Matters	5.0	0.00
Help America Vote Act - HAVA	0.0	0.00
Agency Total	40.0	1.47

Administration

The Administration Program consists of four divisions: administration, publications, legal services, and information technology.

The Administration Division provides operating services for the agency and is led by the Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Administration. This division is responsible for overseeing human resources, payroll, financial transactions, fiscal and office management, training and emergency response policies.

The Publications Division is led by the Deputy Assistant Secretary of State, Director of Communications and Policy. This division is responsible for all public affairs, media inquiries, official agency website content, and official publications including the Kansas Register, Kansas Administrative Rules and Regulations, and the Session Laws of Kansas. This includes the agency's project to modernize the regulation process.

The Legal Services Division is led by the Deputy Assistant Secretary of State, General Counsel. This division is responsible for overseeing office litigation, providing legal counsel to the Secretary and staff regarding office-related matters, reviewing and responding to all KORA requests, and maintaining all contracts and official documents.

The Information Technology (IT) Division is led by the Chief Information Officer. This division is responsible for developing and maintaining security and recovery plans for the agency network and data, developing and maintaining software applications, assessing and installing upgrades to the servers and workstations when appropriate, providing expert technical support to both employees and customers, and developing technical relationships with both public and private partners. Additionally, the agency

has recognized the legislative intent toward improving cybersecurity and infrastructure in state IT systems. The agency is including these initiatives in all divisions to include election security.

Notably, the agency has completed migration off the AS400 operating system as of FY 2025. The agency is now able to provide a more secure and improved user experience for both the public and Secretary of State employees, increased application adaptability, allowed for additional online filings and services, and increased IT staff flexibility and productivity.

Outcome / Performance Measures

Regulation Modernization

The regulation-making process in Kansas has remained largely paper-based and unchanged since the 1960s. The agency's goal has been to modernize this process and bring it into the digital age. As of August 2025, the agency completed a Request for Proposal (RFP) process and selected Esper as the official platform for managing all regulations.

Beginning in May 2026, the system was fully implemented, and all state agencies, boards, and commissions use Esper to submit, track, and edit regulations. This transition will significantly reduce physical storage needs and improve operational efficiency by allowing regulatory documents to be stored and managed electronically.

In addition to streamlining processes for agencies, the four regulatory approval entities—the Department of Administration, Attorney General, Division of the Budget, and the Secretary of State—are now able to electronically review, stamp, and adopt regulations using Esper.

Digitization of Expired Regulations

The second phase of the modernization initiative focuses on digitizing expired regulations. The goal is to make historical records accessible online by FY 2027. Currently, the digitization process is nearly complete. A Kansas-based vendor is scanning both expired and active regulations, using optical character recognition (OCR) to ensure documents are fully searchable and usable in the future. At present, when expired regulations are requested, staff must manually search through paper files and scan documents for constituents. Upon completion of this initiative, these records will be fully digitized, searchable, and integrated into Esper, enabling quicker and easier access for both staff and the public. Completion of this phase by the close of FY 2027 will move Kansas one step closer to a fully digital, transparent, and efficient regulatory system. The agency completed scanning of expired regulations at the end of FY 2026 and is in the process of scanning regulations that were submitted. Scanning these regulations will be completed by mid-FY 2027, with the result that all regulations, expired and current, will be available electronically.

	FY 25 Actual	FY 26 Estimate	FY 27 Estimate	FY 2028 Estimate
Regulation Modernization	--	75%	100%	--
Digitization of Expired Regulations	--	25%	100%	--

The Administration Program currently has 25 FTEs.

Business Services

The Business Services Division is primarily responsible for administering filings for Kansas business entities and the Uniform Commercial Code (UCC) and places a high value on delivering outstanding customer service. Business Services files formation documents, information reports, and amendment documents for corporations, limited liability companies, limited partnerships, limited liability partnerships, cooperatives, business trusts, as well as filings for professional employer organizations, and other types of entities. The division maintains records on active, forfeited, withdrawn, merged, canceled, and dissolved business entities. In FY 2026, approximately 223,000 business documents were filed with the division, of which more than 119,000 were information reports. Migration from the AS 400 computer system and new legislation streamlined business filings and allowed for additional online filings. The agency anticipates continued promotion of the new business entity filing system and the new filings available online through outreach to organizations, mailings, and social media.

Other documents filed by the Business Services Division include notary applications, service of process, cemetery corporation financial filings, athlete agent filings, and health care card suppliers. The division also administers the UCC by filing financing statements, amendments, and terminations, performing searches, and issuing copies to the public. The program currently has over 306,000 active UCC filings on record. In FY 2026, more than 95% of over 89,000 annual UCC transactions were filed electronically.

Outcomes / Performance Measures

The agency has a goal to increase customer use of the online business services filing system for filing business formation documents. Currently, most business formation documents can be filed online. In general, online filing has increased from year-to-year. In FY 2026, 83% of business formation documents were filed online. The agency will continue to promote and encourage online filings with a goal of increasing online business formation filings to 88% in FY 2027 and 94% in FY 2028 through outreach to customers, business organizations and other stakeholders.

The agency has a goal to increase customer use of the online business services filing system for filing information reports. Currently, all reports can be filed online. In FY 2019, the first year this goal was measured, 74% of annual reports were filed online. In general, online filing of information reports increased modestly from year-to-year. In FY 2026, 88% of information reports were filed online. The agency will continue to promote and encourage online filings with a goal of increasing online information report filings to 90% in FY 2027 and 94% in FY 2028.

	FY 26 Actual	FY 27 Estimate	FY 28 Estimate
Percentage of annual online filings:			
Business Formation Documents	83%	86%	88%
Informational Reports	88%	90%	94%

The Business Services Program currently has 10 FTEs.

Elections

The Elections Division is primarily responsible for overseeing national and state elections, candidate filings for national and state offices, and assisting county election officers administer elections. The division also is responsible for lobbyist registrations, issuing lobbyist badges, providing public access to state campaign finance documents and public disclosure documents, implementing federal legislation pertaining to election administration, and selling Kansas flags. The division serves as a repository for statements of substantial interest for state officers and certain state employees. The division places high importance on excellent customer service and ensuring the administration and integrity of elections.

Outcomes / Performance Measures

The agency has a goal to enhance analysis and production of election data in formats that are easily accessible by the public. The goal will include the production of election data following each primary and general election as well as historical data.

	FY 25 Actual	FY 26 Actual	FY 27 Estimate	FY 28 Estimate
2024 election data production made available to the public	--	50%	90%	100%

The Elections program currently has 5 FTEs.

Help America Vote Act (HAVA)

The Help America Vote Act (HAVA) Program is administered by the Elections Division. HAVA sets mandatory minimum standards for states to follow in several key areas of election administration. These areas included provisional voting, providing voting information to the public, updating and upgrading voting equipment, creating and maintaining a statewide list of registered voters, creating a process to file administrative complaints, and developing voter identification procedures.

Kansas has accomplished the following objectives under HAVA:

- Designed, purchased, developed and installed a statewide computerized voter registration and election management database that is the system of record for all 105 counties;
- Negotiated contracts with voting equipment manufacturers and oversaw the purchase of more than 2,000 voting machines to enable counties to provide at least one ADA-compliant voting machine per polling place to allow voters with disabilities, including visual impairment, to vote secret and unassisted ballots. These contracts have expired and counties now negotiate their own contracts for voting equipment;
- Received and administered more than $30 million in federal funds;
- Provided physical security grants to counties to assist with securing election equipment
- Provide ongoing cybersecurity services for counties.

Federal formula grants provided by the U.S. Election Assistance Commission are used to pay for the costs of complying with HAVA. In FY 2016, a new statewide voter registration and election management system was procured. The current contract ends January 2028. Per federal law, the state must have a centralized voter registration system. In FY 2027, the agency is initiating the process for procuring a new system.

Outcomes / Performance Measures

The agency implemented a new certification training program for all 105 county election officers specifically for the administration of elections. K.S.A. 25-124 requires the Secretary of State to provide instruction to county election officers in a method determined by the Secretary of State. This certification program is in addition to statutorily mandated annual training for county election

offices. At least one attendee from each county participated in the six training classes conducted in FY 2025 Each class lasted a minimum of three hours. The final three classes [of three hours each] were conducted in early 2025. With newly elected county election officers taking office in late January 2026, in FY 2026 six classes were taught to new county election office attendees. The last three classes will be taught in FY 2027. Separately, continuing education courses will be offered to those who have already completed the program. Those courses will take place in FY 2027 and FY 2028.

The agency has a goal to replace the current statewide voter registration and election management system contract. The agency has appointed a group of county election officials and will hire a consultant to work with the agency on the parameters of a system as well as funding options once the contract expires.

	FY 26 Actual	FY 27 Estimate	FY 28 Estimate
Local election official certification program [Continuing education]	50%	100%	100%
Statewide Voter Registration Database	50%	100%	100%

Agency-wide overview

Current Year (FY 2026)

In FY 2026, the agency requested a total of $10,221,199. The increase is mainly attributable to an increase in HAVA grant expenditures, increases in salaries and wages and contractual services. Operational costs for the agency are expected to increase slightly from FY 2026.

Budget Year (FY 2027)
The agency requests a total of $11,611,142.

Expenditure justification by object code
Program codes:

Administration	(ADM)	01030
Business Services	(BS)	07400
Elections/Legislative Matters	(ELM)	07500
Help America Vote Act	(HAVA)	07900

Object Code 100 Series: Salaries and Wages

In FY 2027, the agency will administer four programs (ADM, BS, ELM, and HAVA). The agency's FY 2027 budget for salaries and wages is $4,052,242. The change is attributed to increased salaries and wages as approved by the Legislature for state employees during the 2026 session. All positions in the Secretary of State's office are unclassified.

In FY 2028, the agency will administer four programs (ADM, BS, ELM, and HAVA). In FY 2028, the agency budgeted $4,369,257 for salaries and wages.

FY 27: $4,052,242
FY 28: $4,369,257

Object Code 200 Series: Contractual Services

The agency anticipates no significant new operational costs for FY 2027 or FY 2028. The increase for FY 2027 and FY 2028 is attributable to expected increases in economic costs to maintain current level operating functions.

ADM program – Major expenditures in this category include: communications; rents; repairing and servicing; fees for other services. Expenditures for these major categories are expected to continue to increase in FY 2027 and 2028 for the Administration program.

BS program – Major expenditures in this category are routine and include: communications and printing and advertising. Expenditures for this category are expected to increase in FY 2027 and 2028 for the Business Services program.

ELM program – Major expenditures in this category are freight costs associated with the shipping of legal publications and communications. Expenditures for these major categories are expected to continue to increase in FY 2027 and 2028 for the Elections program.

HAVA program – Major routine expenditures for this program include; rents which includes ELVIS maintenance and support fees; repairing and servicing fees which includes ELVIS training for election officials and ELVIS hosting services and election tokens and maintenance; fees and other services, professional services fees which includes an elections consultant and certification training for county election officials. For FY 2027 and FY 2028, the agency anticipates continued elections maintenance costs.

FY 27: $ 6,089,750
FY 28: $18,873,000 (Note: this includes the request for $13,000,000 for the statewide voter registration database)

Object Code 300 Series: Commodities

The commodity expenditures for the agency were $62,178. Major expenditures for this category include lobbyist badges, stationery, data processing supplies and office supplies. Major routine expenditures for this category are expected to remain the same in FY 2027 and FY 2028.

FY 27: $61,500
FY 28: $60,825

Object Code 400 Series: Capital Outlay

The capital outlay expenditures for the agency were $176,830. In FY 2027, the agency requests an adjusted budget of $603,650 to purchase information technology infrastructure, software, computer equipment and expected costs related to election security software. Other expenditures for this category include purchases for printers, scanners, infrastructure upgrades, and software licenses.

FY 27: $603,650
FY 28: $136,150

Object Code 800 Series: Aid to Locals

In FY 2027 and FY 2028, the agency will assess the need of county election officials and may offer an additional year of election security grants of $800,000 each fiscal year, respectively, from HAVA election security funds to assist certain counties with election security funding. The funds will be used to bolster physical equipment and systems in anticipation of increased election activities. The counties will be reimbursed for approved items related to the upgrading of their election security.

FY 27: $800,000
FY 28: $800,000

Change Package:

The agency is requesting a transfer of SGF for state matching funds of 163,800 for the 2026 HAVA Election Security grant of $819,000

The agency is requesting a transfer of SGF funds for implementation of a new statewide centralized voter registration database and election system, of up to $13 million.

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Cemetery and Funeral Audit Fee Fund:

KSA 75-441 authorizes in the state treasury the cemetery and funeral audit fee fund. All monies received by the secretary of state for auditing any person, association, partnership, firm or corporation pursuant to K.S.A. 16-310, 16-325, and K.S.A. 17-1312a, are remitted to the state treasurer who deposits the entire amount into the treasury. The money is credited to the secretary of state under the cemetery and funeral audit fee fund. All expenditures from this fund must be approved by the secretary of state or a person designated by that office.

	Estimated Receipts FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Actual	FY 2027 Projected	FY 2028 Projected
Cemetery and Funeral Audit Fee Fund (2225)	$ 60,080	$ 78,760	$ 80,000	$ 80,000

Information and Services Fee Fund:

KSA 75-438 authorizes the information and services fee fund in the state treasury allowing the secretary of state to charge and collect an information services fee. The secretary of state is required by statute to adopt regulations establishing these fees, which are set out in KAR 7-16-1. All monies received by the secretary of state under this provision are remitted to the state treasurer who deposits the entire amount into the treasury. The money is credited to the information and services fee fund. All expenditures from this fund must be approved by the secretary of state or a person designated by that office.

Receipts are tracked monthly as well as annually. Revenue projections are based on these receipt trends, the economy, law changes, fee increases/decreases, and the volume of documents filed electronically (in many cases the electronic fee is lower). It is important that the balance of this fund remain at $1,000,000 or more so that the agency is sufficiently capitalized and does not encounter cash flow problems during the months that expenditures exceed revenue and in the case of an emergency. This is the primary fund for agency operating expenses and salaries.

	Estimated Receipts FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Actual	FY 2027 Projected	FY 2028 Projected
Information and Services Fee Fund (2430-2300)	$ 4,634,627	$ 3,748,290	$ 3,665,000	$ 3,665,000

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Regulation Fee Fund

The agency contracted with Esper in FY 2026 to modernize the state's regulatory process and make an electronic regulation system available to all state agencies and others who promulgate regulations.

	Estimated Receipts FY 2026 Actual	FY 2027 Actual	FY 2028 Projected
Regulation Fee Fund (2430-2305)	$ 0	$ 120,000	$ 120,000

State Register Fee Fund:

KSA 75-433 enables the secretary of state to fix, charge, and collect fees from state agencies for the publication of documents and information required or authorized by law to be published in the Kansas register.

All monies received by the secretary of state under this provision are remitted to the state treasurer who deposits the entire amount into the treasury. The money is credited to the state register fee fund. Funds credited to the state register fee fund are used for expenses incurred for the creation, publication, and distribution of the state register. All expenditures from this fund must be approved by the secretary of state or a person designated by that office.

Revenue projections are based on receipt trends from previous years. The goal is a fund balance of $100,000 at the end of the fiscal year.

	Estimated Receipts FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Actual	FY 2027 Projected	FY 2028 Projected
State Register Fee Fund (2619)	$ 176,716	$ 182,958	$ 180,000	$ 180,000
INK Grant for Esper Project	$ 0	$ 500,000	$ 0	$ 0

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Uniform Commercial Code Fee Fund:

KSA 75-448 authorizes the uniform commercial code (UCC) fee fund. The specific fees are set out in KAR 7-17-4 and 7-33-1. The secretary of state remits to the state treasurer, at least monthly, all fees earned for providing information concerning UCC filings. Upon receipt, the treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury and credit 10% of the amount to the state general fund and the remaining balance to the UCC fee fund. Funds credited to the UCC fee fund are used for expenses incurred for the performance of the duties and functions of the secretary of state under the UCC. All expenditures from the UCC fee fund must be approved by the secretary of state or a person designated by that office.

The economy and electronic filings have a large impact on this fund. The agency tracks the receipts on a monthly basis as well as annually and uses these trends to project the annual revenue for the budget. A balance of approximately $400,000 in this fund is needed to protect the program during volatile economic times.

	Estimated Receipts			
	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Actual	FY 2027 Projected	FY 2028 Projected
Uniform Commercial Code Fee Fund (2664)	$ 70,173	$ 60,787	$ 61,000	$ 61,000

Technology Communication Fee Fund:

KSA 75-444 authorizes the technology communication fee fund. The secretary of state shall charge a technology communication fee, established by rules and regulations not to exceed $5, in addition to any filing fees, to cover the cost of technology systems that will support services provided pursuant to the uniform electronic transactions act (KSA 16-1601 to 1620). The specific fees are set forth in KAR 7-16-2. All monies received by the secretary of state under this provision are remitted to the state treasurer at least monthly and credited to the secretary of state under the technology communication fee fund. All expenditures from this fund must be approved by the secretary of state or a person designated by that office.

Receipts are tracked monthly as well as annually. Revenue projections are based on these receipt trends, the economy, and the volume of documents filed electronically (in many cases the electronic fee is lower). It is important that the balance of this fund be $800,000 or more.

	Estimated Receipts			
	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Actual	FY 2027 Projected	FY 2028 Projected
Technology Communication Fee Fund (2672)	$ 1,473,079	$ 1,228,936	$ 1,200,000	$ 1,200,000

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Athlete Agent Registration Fee Fund:

KSA 44-1533 authorizes the athlete agent registration fee fund for application and renewal fees and civil penalties. All monies credited to the athlete agent registration fee fund are used for expenses incurred for the performance of the duties and functions of the secretary of state under the uniform athlete agent act. All monies received by the secretary of state under this provision are remitted to the state treasurer and credited to the athlete agent registration fee fund. All expenditures from this fund must be approved by the secretary of state or a person designated by that office.

Revenue projections are based on receipt trends from previous years.

	Estimated Receipts			
	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Actual	FY 2027 Projected	FY 2028 Projected
Athlete Agent Registration Fee Fund (2674)	$ 18,500	$ 19,500	$ 25,000	$ 25,000

Professional Employer Organization Fee Fund

Supervision of PEOs and the associated fee fund were transferred from the Kansas Department of Insurance to the Secretary of State effective January 1, 2025.

KSA 44-1705 (soon to be renumbered) authorizes the professional employer organization (PEO) fee fund for application and renewal fees and civil penalties. The specific fees are set out in KAR 40-16-2, soon to be re-issued as KAR 7-49-1. All monies received by the secretary of state under this provision are remitted to the state treasurer and credited to the professional employer organization fee fund. All expenditures from this fund must be approved by the secretary of state or a person designated by that office.

	Estimated Receipts			
	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Actual	FY 2027 Projected	FY 2028 Projected
PEO Fee Fund (2678)	$ 79,519	$ 32,250	$ 32,000	$ 32,000
Transfer from Kansas Department of Insurance	$ 797,245	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0

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State Flag and Banner Fund:

KSA 75-420 authorizes the state flag and banner fund. All monies collected from the sale of Kansas state flags and banners are remitted to the state treasurer and credited to the secretary of state under the state flag and banner fund. The fee fund covers the costs of purchasing, selling, and distributing state flags and banners. Revenue projections are based on receipt trends from previous years.

	Estimated Receipts			
	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Actual	FY 2027 Projected	FY 2028 Projected
State Flag and Banner Fund (5130)	$ 8,097	$ 8,329	$ 8,000	$ 8,000

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HAVA ELVIS Fund:
Statutory History: The fund was created and implemented through a state appropriations bill for the receipt of county money relating to the statewide voter registration system (ELVIS).

Estimated Receipts
HAVA ELVIS Fund 2353

	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Actual	FY 2027 Projected	FY 2028 Projected
Interest	$ 25,121	$ 21,292	$ 22,000	$ 20,000
Other Income	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0

Democracy Fund:

The Help America Vote Act of 2002 (HAVA) required the establishment of a state fund for the receipt of matching monies required for the implementation of HAVA Title III activities. The fund was created and implemented through a state appropriations bill.

Under HAVA interest must be earned on all matching funds associated with HAVA as well as the federal dollars. In 2022 and 2023, the agency received $1,000,000 for each year of Election Security grants from the EAC. The $2,000,000 amount required a state match of 20%. As of July 1, 2023, the matching funds of $400,000 were provided by the legislature from SGF. In 2025 the agency received a grant of $1,000,000 and the 20% match was requested and appropriated to the agency in 2025 but was not deposited to the Democracy Fund. In 2025, the agency received a grant of $272,727; and, the match requirement of $54,545 for the 2025 grant award was requested as part of the FY 2026 budget. The legislature did not provide the matching funds, which were ultimately provided by the Secretary of State's Information and Services fee fund to support statewide and county-level election security initiatives. The agency received a grant of $819,000 in March 2026 and will request SGF to meet the required state match of 20%.

Change Package:

The agency is requesting a transfer of SGF for state matching funds for the 2026 HAVA Election Security grant of $163,800.

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Estimated Receipts Democracy Fund 2702	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Actual	FY 2027 Projected	FY 2028 Projected
Interest	$ 73,214	$ 65,013	$ 66,000	$ 67,000
Transfer from Fund 2430		$ 254,545	$ 0	$ 0
Transfer from SGF		$ 0	$163,800	$ 163,800

HAVA Federal Fund – FFY 03:

The Help America Vote Act of 2002 required that a state fund be established for the receipt of the original federal appropriation which did not require a state match. The fund was created and implemented through a state appropriations bill

Estimated Receipts HAVA Fed Fund 3283-3283	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Actual	FY 2027 Projected	FY 2028 Projected
Interest	$92,694	$ 78,548	$ 77,000	$ 75,000
Other Income	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0

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HAVA Federal Fund – FFY 04 – Match Required:

The Help America Vote Act of 2002 required that a state fund be established for the receipt of the original federal appropriation which did not require a state match. The fund was created and implemented through a state appropriations bill.

Estimated Receipts
HAVA Fed Fund FFY 04 – Match Required 3091-3010

	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Actual	FY 2027 Projected	FY 2028 Projected
Interest	$9,485	$ 8,352	$ 8,000	$ 8,000

HAVA Federal Fund – FFY 03 – Match Required:

The Help America Vote Act of 2002 required that a state fund be established for the receipt of a federal appropriation for the implementation of HAVA Title III activities. The fund was created and implemented through a state appropriations bill.

Estimated Receipts
HAVA Fed Fund FFY 03 – Match Required 3091-3005

	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Actual	FY 2027 Projected	FY 2028 Projected
Interest	$ 12,093	$ 10,648	$ 10,000	$ 10,000

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HAVA Election Security Fund – FFY 18 – Match Required:

Section 501 of the 2018 Congressional Appropriations Act made grant money available to the states to improve the administration of elections for Federal office. The grant is to be used by states to enhance election technology and make election security improvements, as authorized by the Help America Vote Act. The Appropriations Act requires the states to create a matching fund within two years after receiving HAVA payments. Kansas' required matching amount $219,180 (5% of the $4,383,595 HAVA granted funds). The certification from Kansas is that it will use the grant for activities consistent with Section 906 of HAVA and not inconsistent with the requirements of Title III of HAVA.

The 2020 Congressional Appropriations Act appropriated an initial amount of $4,909,494 to Kansas for election security. The original required state match requirement was $981,899, or 20% of the grant. In August 2020, the Election Assistance Commission (EAC) awarded an additional $15,427 in 2020 HAVA Election Security grant funding to Kansas. The revised grant total was $4,924,921 with a revised total state match requirement of $984,984. The Secretary of State received the original state match in FY 2021 from the Legislature in State General Funds. The remaining $3,085 SGF was received in FY 2022.

At the beginning of FY 2021, the Election Assistance Commission (EAC) allowed for the 2018 and 2020 funds to be combined into one fund. The following shows the funds combined with the HAVA Election Security Fund. The agency received $4.9 million in revenue for FY 2021 is the grant transfer for the combination of funds.

In 2023 and 2024, the agency received $1,000,000 for each year of Election Security grants from the EAC. The $2,000,000 amount required a state match of 20%. As of July 1, 2023, the matching funds of $400,000 were provided by the legislature from SGF in the Democracy Fund.

In 2025, the agency received $272,727 from the EAC**;** and, the match requirement of $54,545 for the 2025 grant award was requested as part of the FY 2026 budget. The legislature did not provide the matching funds, which were ultimately provided by the Secretary of State's Information and Services fee fund to support statewide and county-level election security initiatives.

In 2026, the agency received a grant of $819,000 from the EAC. The agency anticipates requesting the required state match of 20% from SGF (see Change package for Democracy Fund above).

Kansas received Kansas Highway Patrol ("KHP") Department of Homeland Security grant funds. These funds were received from KHP election security grant were used to reimburse county election office expenditures for physical security needs prior to the 2024 election. These funds were in addition to HAVA Election Security grant funds provided by the Secretary of State's office to the county election offices for physical security needs.

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Estimated Receipts 2018 HAVA Election 3956-3956	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Actual	FY 2027 Projected	FY 2028 Projected
Interest	$ 272,737	$ 196,970	$ 192,000	$ 188,000
Federal Operating Grant	$ 272,727	$ 0	$ 819,000	$ 0