

SVRS BUDGET REQUIREMENTS

A. Implementation of Federal Mandate: The federal Help America Vote Act of 2002 (“HAVA”) mandated the State of Indiana to implement a single, uniform, official, centralized, interactive computerized statewide voter registration system (SVRS). (42 U.S.C. 15483).

1. Indiana implemented an SVRS by the statutory deadline of January 1, 2006.
2. Indiana has spent, or is committed to spend through June 30, 2009, a total of \$24,979,473.95 to implement, operate, maintain and support the SVRS. The federal government provided \$24,410,981.95 and the state provided \$568,492 in required matching funds for this purpose.
3. Indiana currently has no additional federal or state funds to continue the operation of the SVRS for the July 1, 2009- June 30, 2011 biennium.

B. On-going costs to operate the SVRS (Estimates provided by VK)

1. **Total: \$2,571,660 annual/ \$5,143,320 biennium** (assuming hardware purchases and hardware maintenance costs are shifted to counties).
2. Funding Elements for operation of SVRS:
 - a. SVRS Application Hosting- \$432,000 annual/\$864,000 biennium
 - b. SVRS Network Connectivity (connecting 92 counties to the SVRS)- \$392,160 annual/\$784,320 biennium
 - c. Software licenses, software maintenance, and software application support- \$390,000 annual/ \$780,000 biennium
 - d. SVRS Program and Project Management- \$540,000 annual/\$1,080,000 biennium.
 - e. Help Desk Support for all users of SVRS- \$330,000 annual/\$660,000 biennium.
 - f. SVRS application changes (federal mandates, state legislative changes and user requests to address performance issues)- \$262,500 annual/\$525,000 biennium.
 - g. Training (new clerk/user training, refresher training, enhancement training) \$120,000 annual/\$240,000 biennium.
 - h. Hardware/Hardware maintenance \$0 (cost assumed by counties)
 - i. State staffing or other expense- \$105,000 annual/\$210,000 biennium.

C. Consequence of Failure to Fund SVRS

1. Indiana is in violation of HAVA which could also result in a violation of the NVRA for failing to conduct routine voter list maintenance made possible by the SVRS
2. Elections are compromised and there is a loss in voter confidence in the integrity of elections.
3. Risk of compromising the integrity of the 2010 election – which will seat the representatives who will vote on the redistricting and reapportionment bill – which will be in place for the next decade.