

Information Technology Capital Investment Program  
Project Close Out Report

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**To:** Information Technology Strategy and Investment Committee  
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**Agency:** Secretary of the State

**Project:** Election Infrastructure - Post Election Audits

**Project Start Date:** 5/1/2015



**Project End Date:** 8/15/2019



**Project Manager:** Peggy Reeves

**Total Funds Requested:** \$100,000

**Total Funds Allotted to Agency:** \$100,000

**Accumulative Total Capital Fund Expenditures to Date:** \$82,514

**Brief Project Description/Summary:**

Connecticut law requires that 5% of the polling places used in an election be randomly selected to perform post-election audits. There are roughly 750 polling places in the state and so 38 are randomly selected by a public drawing. The purpose of these audits is to check the performance of the technology and so the law does not allow for the ballots to simply be re-inserted into the tabulators. Instead, the towns are required to perform the audit manually. To do that, local election officials hire people to perform the audit. Because the selection of who will be audited is random, it is not an activity that towns will budget for in advance.

Using federal funding, the Secretary of the State, in conjunction with UCONN Center for Voting Technology Research, has developed new software which will assist towns by automating the post-election audit process. Funding will support the acquisition of scanners so that we have the capacity to serve up to 38 towns within the 10 days required by law.

**List Project Goals and Deliverables Completed:**

*(Please provide a brief summary of the goals and deliverables that were implemented. Please reference the IT Capital Investment Brief for the initial goals of the projects.)*

Funding will support the acquisition of scanners and hardware so that we have the capacity to serve up to 38 towns within the 10 days required by law.

**Project Replication Opportunities:**

*(Are there opportunities to repeat or leverage the project solution by other state agencies? Please provide a brief explanation.)*  
There are no replication opportunities.

**Key Lessons Learned:**

*(Provide any lessons learned or experienced during this project that may be helpful to other agencies starting a similar project.)*