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TO: County Executive Kloeppe, Board Chair Rosales, and County Board Members
FROM: Aaron Ammons, Champaign County Clerk
DATE: July 29, 2020
SUBJECT: FY 2021 HAVA GRANT ACCEPTANCE

The Champaign County Clerk's office has been notified by the Illinois State Board of Elections about the FY 2021 HAVA grant award eligibility for \$33,712. This grant is available to jurisdictions to improve cyber security posture for the 2020 election cycle. The grant period is from July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021. Only jurisdictions that participate in the Cyber Navigator Program are eligible to apply for grant funds. The previous HAVA grant was a two-year grant for 2018-2020 for \$43,000. This time HAVA is a one-year grant.

So far, the Clerk's office has used HAVA funds to upgrade Election/Brookens building security, and upgraded election laptop security/Wi-Fi as well. The Champaign County Clerk's office will continue to make election security a priority and work collaboratively with Illinois State Board of Elections/Cyber Navigator Program. We are extremely proud we are leveraging these grants to help offset expenses related to election security.

In Service,

Aaron Ammons
Champaign County Clerk