



Innovative Election Administration Funding Solutions October 26th – 28th, 2025

Schedule of Events

Sunday, October 26, 2025

- 4:00 – 7:00 pm Check-in and Conference Registration
- 5:30 – 9:00 pm Buses run to/from dinner at the Ag Heritage Park Pavillion
- 6:00 pm-8:00 pm Opening Dinner- Ag Heritage Park Pavillion
- 6:00 pm Appetizers and Cash Bar
- 6:30 pm Welcome, Expert Panel Introductions
Secretary Wes Allan, Alabama Secretary of State
- 7:00 pm Dinner Served

Monday, October 27, 2025

- 8:00 am Registration & Breakfast
- 9:00 am Welcome and Meeting Overview
Mitchell Brown, Director, IEAR&P, Auburn University
President Chris Roberts (to be invited), Auburn University
- 9:30 am Restructuring Power: Decision-Making and the Future of Election
Funding
Presenter: Joseph Anthony
- 10:00 am Unclaimed Funds: A State-Level Solution to Chronic Election
Underfunding
Presenter: Derek Clinger
- 10:30 am BREAK



10:45 am	Voting Operations and Technology Endowment (VOTE): A Long-Term Funding Solution for Elections Presenter: Lana Goitia-Paz
11:15 am	Registered Voters and Real Estate on the Ballot a Scalable Model for Sustained and Equitable Election Funding Presenters: Emmett O'Connell, Mary Hall, Brandon Weber and Tillie Naputi-Pullar
11:45 pm	Luncheon, Adrian Fontes, Arizona Secretary of State
1:00 pm	Colorado Election Fund Plate Presenter: Jade Pruett
1:30 pm	Innovative Funding Solutions for Election Administration: Ballot Qualification Fee Program and Election Administration Improvement Fund Presenter: Dennis Haggerty
2:00 pm	The Three Pillars Approach: Broadening the Federal Funding Base for Federal Elections Grants Presenters: Gideon Cohn-Postar and Calab Hays
2:30 pm	BREAK
2:45 pm	Scholarships and Civic Duty: A Proposal for Poll Worker Service Requirements Presenters: Lucca Carlson and Melinda Olstad
3:15 pm	Driven to Fund: Using ID's to Fund Elections Presenters: Jenny Hillary and Nick Fisch
3:45 pm	Funding Election Administration with an Election Advertising Tax Presenters: Zach Mohr, Natalie Friend and Jamie Shew
4:30 pm	Adjourn
6:00 pm	Recognition Reception and Accouncement of Award Winners



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8:00 pm Reception close

Tuesday, October 28, 2025

8:00 am Breakfast

8:30 am Overview of the day Presented by Mitchell Brown
In the morning sessions, participants will take part in a facilitated discussion of funding ideas. The goal will be to develop draft plans to take these national, state, and local ideas from the idea stage to the identify paths for implementation.

9:00 – noon BREAKOUT Sessions

Room 1: Local Funding Strategies

Room 2: State Funding Strategies

Room 3: Federal Funding Strategies

Room 4: Other Funding Strategies?

12:00 noon Presentations/Overviews of Plans & Closing Luncheon

2:00 pm Adjourn