

U.S. General Services Administration

EXPENSES, PRESIDENTIAL TRANSITION

Pre-Election Activities

Fiscal Year 2024 Congressional Justification

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Appropriations Language

For activities authorized by the Presidential Transition Act of 1963, as amended, not to exceed \$10,413,000, to remain available until September 30, 2025: Provided, That such amounts may be transferred to "Acquisition Services Fund" or "Federal Buildings Fund" to reimburse obligations incurred for the purposes provided herein in fiscal years 2023 and 2024: Provided further, That amounts made available under this heading shall be in addition to any other amounts available for such purposes.

Program Description

In accordance with the Presidential Transition Act of 1963, as amended, the Pre-Election Presidential Transition appropriation will enable GSA to provide suitable office space for Pre-Election transition activities, acquire communication services and information technology equipment, and for printing and supplies associated with the transition.

Explanation of Changes

(Dollars in Thousands)

	FTE	FY 2022 Plan	FTE	Plan	FTE	Request
	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	-	\$ 10,413
Program Changes:						
Operating Costs						\$ 10,413
Subtotal, Program Changes					-	\$ 10,413
Total Adjustments					-	\$ 10,413

Summary of the Request

The Pre-Election Presidential Transition Act of 2010, Public Law 111-283, amended the Presidential Transition Act of 1963 and was enacted to provide for transition services to eligible major party candidates before the general election. The language regarding pre-election services provided by GSA has since been amended since 2010, but the general mission of GSA to provide pre-election support to eligible candidates remains.

The FY 2024 budget requests \$10,413,000 for pre-election transition services to eligible candidates before the general election in accordance with the Presidential Transition Act of 1963, as amended, to be available as a two-year appropriation for FY 2024 - FY 2025, as the election will occur in FY 2025. GSA uses these funds to provide suitable office space for transition activities, acquire communication services and information technology equipment, and for printing and supplies associated with the transition.

Transition services become available to each eligible candidate during the period beginning on the date of the notification of their eligibility by the GSA Administrator and ending on the date of

the general election, unless the apparent winner of the election cannot be ascertained and then pre-election services will continue.

GSA’s request will support pre-election transition services to eligible candidates prior to the 2024 election. This request is consistent with the provision in the Pre-Election Presidential Transition Act that states “there are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act”. Because preparations for the transition will begin in FY 2023, GSA requests that the authority for this appropriation also allow it to be used to reimburse obligations incurred for this purpose during FY 2023 in the Federal Buildings Fund and Acquisition Services Fund, consistent with enacted appropriations authority from prior election cycles.

Obligations by Object Classification

(Dollars in Thousands)

		FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Enacted	FY 2024 Request
23.1	Rental payments to GSA.....	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 845
25.1	Advisory and assistance services.....	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,614
25.3	Other goods & services from Federal sources....	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,036
26.0	Supplies and materials.....	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 54
31.0	Equipment.....	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,864
99.0	Obligations, Appropriated.....	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,413
	Subtotal, PC&B.....	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Subtotal, Non-labor.....	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,413

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