



Montana Commissioner of Political Practices

AGENCY INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PLAN



2018



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Mission, Goals, and Objectives



Agency information technology mission, goals, and objectives ([2-17-524\(1\)\(a\)\(b\), MCA](#)).

Mission	To monitor and to enforce, in a fair and impartial manner, campaign practices and campaign finance disclosure, lobbying disclosure, business interest disclosure of statewide and state district candidates, elected state officials, and state department directors, ethical standards of conduct for legislators, public officers, and state employees, and to investigate legitimate complaints that arise concerning any of the foregoing.
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		State Strategic Plan Goal/Objective Reference	Agency Goal/Objective Reference
Goal One	Create a new lobbying reporting system to replace the dated Oracle system currently in use.	Goal 3 – State of Art Goal 4 – Capacity Goal 5 – Capability Goal 6 – Cost effectiveness	1
Objective One	Secure funding needed to develop new system as per the quote generated by SITSD.	5.1	1
Objective Two	Engage SITSD to develop and deploy new system.	3.1	1
Objective Three	Transition away from the current Oracle system to the new system developed by SITSD.	4.5, 5.1, 5.3	1
Objective Four	Add two new drawers to the Perceptive Content system for storing imaged lobbying and principal files.	6.1	1

State Strategic Plan
Goal/Objective
Reference

Agency Goal/Objective
Reference

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Goal Two	Continue to improve the Campaign Electronic Reporting System (CERS) to increase usability and transparency.	Goal 3 Goal 4 Goal 6	2
Objective One	Identify problems as they arise.	3.1	2
Objective Two	Work with our vendor, StoneRiver, to create solutions and continue to improve the system.	4.1, 6.1	2

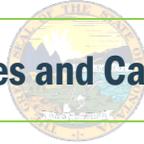
**State Strategic Plan
Goal/Objective
Reference**

**Agency Goal/Objective
Reference**

Goal Three	Replace agency desktops and laptops with VDI thin clients.	Goal 2 Goal 3	3
Objective One	Work with SITSD to transition to VDI during the first or second quarter of FY 2019.	2.2, 3.2	3

Link to Agency Goals and Objectives	http://politicalpractices.mt.gov/goalsandobjectives
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Resources and Capabilities



Current information technology resources and capabilities ([2-17-524\(1\)\(c\)\(d\), MCA](#)).

Information Technology Resources

Summary of information technology resources:

Bureau / Unit Name	Number of FTE	Primary Function / Mission
None	0	N/A

Information Technology Capabilities

Summary of Systems:

Name	Description	Purpose
Campaign Electronic Reporting System	An Apache Tomcat-based web application that allows candidates and committees to register and file periodic finance reports electronically.	To allow candidates and committees to register and file periodic financial reports electronically, as well as to allow the public at large to search and scrutinize candidate and committee financial activity.
Lobbying Reporting System	An Oracle-based application written in Java that interfaces with a Montana Interactive web application to allow lobbyists and principals to register, pay their registration fee, and file periodic finance reports electronically. Additionally interfaces with another Montana Interactive web application to allow the public to search lobbying and principal records.	To allow lobbyists and principals to register, pay their registration fee, and file periodic finance reports electronically.
Perceptive Content Database	Imaged file database that stores pdf copies of all candidate and committee registrations and finance reports.	To store pdf copies of all candidate, committee, lobbyist, and principal registrations and finance reports.

Summary of Hardware:

Appliances: Devices designed for internet access and specialized business use, but without capabilities of a fully-equipped server. Appliances can be physical or virtual. Include all chassis, tape systems, firewalls, switches, KVM's, and USB Anywhere devices. Do not include appliances hosted by SITSD.

Total Number of Appliances	0
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Physical Servers: Include physical servers that are used for virtualization. Do not include servers hosted by SITSD.

Total Number of Physical Servers	0
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Virtualized Servers: Do not include servers hosted by SITSD.

Total Number of Virtualized Servers	0
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Storage: SANs and NASs. Do not include storage hosted by SITSD.

Total Usable Storage Space	0
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Devices: Currently in service including, but not limited to desktops, laptops, mobile devices, printers, cameras, etc.

Device Type	Quantity	Estimated Replacement Value
Desktops	5	\$5000
Laptops	3	\$3000
Mobile Devices (tablets, phones, etc.)	1	\$1000
Printers	2	\$10000
Cameras	4	\$500

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Agency information technology projects ([2-17-524\(1\)\(e\)\(f\)\(2\), MCA](#)).

Oracle Migration	
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Project / Program purpose and objectives	<p>Create a new lobbying reporting system to replace the dated Oracle system currently in use.</p> <p>Add two new file drawers in Perceptive Content for hosting images lobbying and principal files.</p>
IT Goal and Objective Reference	1
Estimated start date	7/1/2018
Estimated delivery date	12/31/2018
Estimated cost	\$100,800
HB 10 Request	Yes
Funding source one	Not Yet Allocated \$0
Annual costs upon completion	<p>Per the quote from SITSD:</p> <p>"In summary, your initial investment for the new application and database would be around \$100,000 plus whatever Stone River would charge you to connect to the new database. Your monthly savings for Fiscal Years 2018 and 2019 would be \$1,466.38 . . . Given current costs, your cost savings would cover the new development in 5.7 years (68 months).</p> <p>Additional monthly cost of adding two drawers in Perceptive Content unknown at this time. As of April 2018, waiting on a quote from SITSD.</p>
Status of the project as of March 31, 2018 . Indicate % completed and status of funds expended.	0% complete, \$0 expended

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