



### KY Registry of Election Finance Software and Systems – Follow-up

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### > Goal

- Project Update
  - Status
  - Challenges
  - System Strengths
- System End-User Feedback
- Project Resolution Plan





# **Project - Status**





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- Initial set of requirements provided by KREF was 89.
- After the Statement of Work (SOW) execution the requirements increase by 594 to 683.
- SOW Milestones
  - Milestone 1 Candidate Filing Dashboard / Backoffice (Delivered/KREF accepted/Paid)
  - Milestone 2a Committee Filing Dashboard / Backoffice (Delivered/KREF accepted/Paid)
  - Milestone 2b Public Search (Delivered/Waiting on KREF acceptance/Unpaid)
  - Milestone 3 Remaining Backoffice Functionality (In-Progress)
  - Milestone 4 Mobile App (Not-Started)
  - Operational Support (Ongoing/unpaid by KREF)
  - SB216/HB740 Legislative Changes -(Delivered/KREF accepted/Unpaid)





# **Project – Challenges**



### Challenges

- Historical data (Initially)
- System based on KREF's internal system
- Agency process improvements (Moving to Paper to Online)
- The original scope changed (e.g., Scope Creep)
  - Rework of previously develop functionality
  - Software development cycle increased
  - Delivery timelines increased





# **System – Strengths**



# Strengths

- Campaign Finance Reporting
  - Addition of transactions as received/expensed
  - Ability to route electronically for counter signatures
  - Ensures the proper collection of necessary reporting data
- Public Search
  - Instantly view submitted financial statements as reported
  - Historical data also available in one search system
  - Exportable report data
- KREF Backoffice
  - Electronically review and approve filer submissions (Intents/Statements)
  - · Ability for KREF staff to access read-only view of filers system with restricted access
  - Manage reporting date and limits with batch uploads



# System End-User – Feedback





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# **Suggested Improvements - Reporting**

- Key Feature Enhancements
  - · Add a view/print financial statement capability prior to report submission
  - When advancing to the general election, make the primary election contributors available
  - Store vendor information for repeat expenditures like contributions
- Feature Enhancements
  - Allow the submission of reports with warnings
  - Simplify the money transfer process from Primary to General
  - Make the Edit menu more prominent
- System End-User Experience Enhancements
  - Improve the Fundraiser functionality
- Data Enhancements
  - Provide the ability to upload/download contributions and expenditures
  - Provide social media platforms a way to verify candidates
- Notification Enhancements
  - Communicate upcoming enhancements



### **Suggested Improvements – Public Search**

- Ensure public information is
  - Available
  - Complete
  - Reliable
- Improve user interface to be more intuitive







# **Resolution Plan**





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### **Commitment to Continuous Improvements**

- System end-user feedback is important. We will continue to seek this feedback while coordinating with KREF to ensure changes meet statue, regulations and business processes.
- Work closely with KREF to streamline the delivery of the remaining system requirements, while applying new project management methodology/changes to minimize bugs/issues.
- Work with KREF and system end-users to make sure that the Campaign Finance Reporting System is intuitive.
- Continue the necessary allocation of resources to address system end-user and KREF feedback in coordination with the KREF staff.





### **Kentucky Interactive**

- Kentucky Interactive is committed, open, professional, and have long-lasting agency partnerships.
  - Committed to completing the Campaign Finance Reporting system in a way that makes it useful to both the KREF and its system end-users
  - Open to all feedback
  - Professional at all times
  - Have successfully worked with over 300 agencies in the commonwealth





# **QUESTIONS?**









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