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**The Election Assistance Commission,
National Institute of Standards and Technology,
and the Accessible Voting Technology Initiative**

AVTI: Grant Overview

- In 2010, EAC announced the Accessible Voting Technology Initiative:
 - \$7,000,000 to support research on transformative technologies and approaches to meet the critical challenge of making voting more accessible to all eligible voters
 - The Research Alliance for Accessible Voting (RAAV): Making Voting Accessible for Everyone
 - Dr. Juan Gilbert
 - Information Technology and Innovation Foundation and the Accessible Voting Technology Initiative
 - Daniel Castro



AVTI: Grant Results

- Funding Supported:
 - Over 50 Research and Development projects
 - The creation of promising technologies and pilot initiatives
 - Technology testing and adoption
 - The Development of administrative processes and training improvements to increase accessibility of existing voting procedures and election systems



AVTI: Future Work

- Opportunities:
 - Promote the findings and R&D across the elections community
 - Help foster future pilot projects
 - Identify ways to harness technology transfer of AVTI projects into emerging election solutions

