

COPS SCHOOL VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAM (SVPP)

GRANT FUNDS AVAILABLE

Up to \$25 Million

The Students, Teachers, and Officers Preventing School Violence Act of 2018 (STOP School Violence Act of 2018) gave the COPS Office authority to provide awards directly to States, units of local government, or Indian tribes to improve security at schools and on school grounds in the jurisdiction of the grantee through evidence-based school safety programs.

Up to \$25 million is available through this year's COPS School Violence Prevention Program (SVPP).

- Acquisition and installation of technology for expedited notification to law enforcement during an emergency
- Coordination with local law enforcement
- Placement and use of metal detectors, locks, lighting, and other deterrent measures
- Training for local law enforcement officers to prevent school violence
- Any other measure that the COPS Office Director determines may provide a significant improvement in security

Any equipment and/or technology items included in the project budget must be clearly linked to the enhancement or implementation of the SVPP project. The funding requests capped at \$500,000 per award. There is a two-year award period. Applicants are required to contribute a local cash match of at least 25 percent toward the total cost of the approved project during the award period. Applicants are strongly encouraged to demonstrate a comprehensive approach to school safety. Consultation with law enforcement prior to preparing an application is recommended for this purpose.

Deadline April 08 2020
7.59 pm EDT

WHO CAN APPLY

All States, units of local government, Indian tribes, and public agencies (police departments, sheriff's departments, school districts, etc.) are eligible to apply. Grant recipients may use funds to contract with or make sub-award to local educational agencies, nonprofit organizations (excluding schools), units of local government or tribal organizations. Schools are defined as elementary or secondary schools.

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ALLOWABLE COSTS

All items requested must fall under the budget categories described below. In addition, each item requested must programmatically link to the activities described in your application. To the greatest extent practical, all equipment and products purchased with these funds must be American-made. Please use our guide material attached for the tools requested and activities planned to help justify some of the request in the grant.

Technology:

Communication technology:

- 1) Channels to engage and stay connected for practicing safety daily through phones, emails and other alerts
- 2) Emergency alerts to the right people at the right time
- 3) Social media monitoring intelligence,

Identification technology, laptops, maps of schools and bus routes, printers, tracking systems, and video surveillance technology.

Equipment: Entry control equipment, school site alarm, and protection systems

Supplies: Manuals, paper, pens, and postage.

Travel/Training: for law enforcement officers to prevent and respond to school violence.

Contracts/Consultants: Goods or services that directly contribute to the implementation or enhancement of the project.



Other allowable uses of SVPP funding include coordination (salaries and benefits for civilian/non-sworn personnel like project coordinators, project managers, emergency management coordinator, or trainers); travel/training for law enforcement officers to prevent school violence; supplies; contracts/ consultants; and subawards.

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HOW TO APPLY

Completing an application under this program is a two-step process. Applicants are first required to register via www.grants.gov and complete an SF-424, submitting it through the Grants.gov website. Once the SF-424 has been submitted via Grants.gov, the COPS Office will send an invitation email to the applicant with instructions on completing the second part of the SVPP application through the COPS Office Online Application System. **ACT Fast DUNS number and SAMS registration takes atleast 5 days if you don't have this information already for your departments**

The Application Guide may be found [here](#).

Other related Program Documents, including FAQs, may be found [here](#).

The COPS Office has designated the following application elements as critical:

- Project Narrative
 - School safety planning efforts
 - Funding request and how integration into existing efforts will fill specific gaps and needs
 - Management and implementation plan
 - Sustainability plan
 - The Project Narrative requirements are explained in Section 13 of the Application Guide (pp. 45-49) and [here](#).
 - Letters of support are required from major partners and other significant stakeholders when a proposed project involves coordination with another jurisdiction or agency (city, county, law enforcement agency, school district, etc.).
- Budget Narrative
 - The Budget Narrative requirements are explained in Section 13 of the Application Guide (pp. 45-49) and [here](#).
- Budget Detail Worksheets
 - Budget Detail Worksheet requirements and samples may be found in Section 14 of the Application Guide (pp. 50-56).

Step by Step guide for filing the application and the Grant application click [here](#)

**All submissions are
ONLINE ONLY**

SUPPORT RESROUCES

The following documents developed through the Comprehensive School Safety Initiative may be helpful to you in the development of your narrative application and request for funding:

- The Readiness and Emergency Management (REMS) Technical Assistance Center Provides excellent interactive tools and other resources to help school planning teams and community partners develop and implement emergency operations plans. www.rems.ed.gov
- FEMA Multihazard Emergency Planning for Schools Toolkit Provides a wide variety of resources to assist schools in planning and assessments.
<https://training.fema.gov/programs/emischool/el361toolkit/start.htm>
- The Role of Technology in Improving K–12 School Safety (RAND Corporation) Provides a synthesis of expert opinions and a review of the literature regarding school safety technology.
https://www.rand.org/content/dam/rand/pubs/research_reports/RR1400/RR1488/RAND_RR1488.pdf
- A Comprehensive Report on School Safety Technology (Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory) Provides a comprehensive summary of what is currently known regarding the effectiveness of school safety technologies.
<https://www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/grants/250274.pdf>



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KIDIO provides a comprehensive safety solution

Student safety is a never-ending task and we all are painfully aware of the consequences when something goes wrong. We at Kidio innovate simple, technology-based products to eliminate or at least minimize the impact of tragedies, while also designing products that make schools run more smoothly through a range of products. Our ongoing efforts to continuously stay ahead of the technology curve has placed us in a position of leadership when it comes to school safety. We have consciously designed a comprehensive safety platform that provides school administration, staff, law enforcement team and parents across the country with a single hub to stay safe and informed. First responders and School resource officers can easily work with any school in setting up our tools with hardware less installation.

Kidio SAFER Emergency Alerts:

Easily accessible mobile and web-based 'SAFER Alert system' is available on every mobile and desktop for the staff to access when seconds matter. School staff can alert the law enforcement team or other emergency contacts from anywhere in the campus through a single click from their phone. During an emergency, the law enforcement team can track the location of emergency instantly before any loud alarm panic students or parents. Active chat features help first responders to stay in touch with the staff and guide them. All the school staff and the emergency contact teams receive voice, text and email alerts.

Kidio EAS portal for emergency guide and Maps:

Any emergency checklist should be easily accessible in the smart devices or desktop when emergency arises. The Kidio school portal includes a single, secure storage location for all emergency resource documents including school layout, aerial images of the school property, emergency plans, emergency contact information, and any additional critical data. When an emergency arises, these checklists can become a quick text messages refresher for the staff. Schools configure custom groups to perform test drills, record and for internal emergency on power outage, weather alerts.

Kidio Tipline:

Open channels of communication are critical to enable proactive measures to practice safety. Tipline creates an open and efficient communication channel which is not only smart and dynamic, but also relevant and timely. Anonymous Tipline is an effort in the direction to enable any and every concerned citizen to report unusual or worrisome activities to authorities for appropriate attention. Tipline is a tip management service that the school's districts can use to encourage students to share any bullying threats or incidents that make them feel less secure at campus or outside. Tipline is also used by Law Enforcement agencies to anonymously collect tips from citizens and prevent K-12 campus crimes and solve more cases using this channel.

Daily Dismissal Safety and Parent Engagement:

We all agree that every school needs to be a safe and secure place for our children. This means a closed campus with access controls and restricted entry points. Yet, during dismissal time, all the gates are open and students stream out into the corridors which allow unrestricted access to anyone who chooses to enter the campus. Since a chain is only as strong as the weakest link, schools with the best security systems are vulnerable if they do not have good dismissal protocols in place. The PikMyKid dismissal safety platform does a digital-handshake when a parent arrives at the campus that is real time visible to SROs and staff who can then the send the students outside. Parents are notified real-time on the dismissal. This daily practice of safety trains them for an emergency reunification when a crisis situation arises.

Violence in schools negatively affects children's future life outcomes and the culture and performance of the school. For these reasons, promoting school safety is a national priority for many federal agencies, including the National Institute of Justice. [The Role of Technology in Improving K-12 Student Safety](#), conclude that helping educators and first responders reliably connect and communicate is one of the most pressing and universal needs among schools, regardless of size or location

NEED Help?

Our Grant partners can help with review and finalizing your application. ACT NOW and submit before April 08, 2020.

