

## **U.S. Department of Justice - Community Oriented Police Services:**

### **“School Violence Prevention Program (SVPP)”**

**School Violence Prevention Program (SVPP)** - The U.S. Department of Justice COPS Office provides funding for school safety through the [School Violence Prevention Program](#). This is a competitive grant program that provides funding directly to states, units of local government, Indian tribes, and public K-12 school districts, to be used to improve safety and security at schools and on school grounds. This program was developed, after the Parkland Florida school shooting at Stoneman Douglas High School, to fill the gaps of school security and safety needs.

#### **Quick facts:**

- Public K-12 School Districts only (no private schools or higher Ed)
  - Charter Schools may be a sub-grantee of a municipality or police department
- This grant should be considered as target hardening
- SVPP - Allowable Costs - [Source document](#)
- The grant is typically released for application in March with a 60 day application period
- Maximum Federal award is \$500,000. There is a 75/25 percent match. Example - if the project was about \$670,000 total, the grant award would be \$500,000 with a local match of \$170,000 (25% plus the award that is capped at \$500,000)
- A partnership is required between law enforcement and schools with a memorandum of understanding or contract
- How to apply: required [SAM](#), [Grants.gov](#) account, and a US DOJ [Justgrants Portal](#)

#### **Preference is given to clients in:**

- Enhanced Public Safety in Qualified Opportunity Zones
- High-Poverty Areas or Persistent-Poverty Counties
- Rurality

#### **For grant writing assistance - contact John Heiderscheidt. What our team will do:**

- Complete, verify, update all required Federal grant/contract application requirements and the COPS SVPP grant application/narratives/assurances
- Complete all submissions in the grant site portal, Grants.gov SF424 form, account management on behalf of the school district, assist with all letters of support, develop all narratives, and your security project integration with grant requirements
- All grant documents, narrative, login, and passwords will remain property of the client. In case this application is not funded, the client can use the materials for the next year or any other grant application needed.
- Flat fee