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FACT SHEET

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE INVESTS ABOUT \$85.3 MILLION IN GRANTS TO ADDRESS SCHOOL VIOLENCE

WASHINGTON - In 2018, Congress passed the Student, Teachers, and Officers Preventing School Violence Act of 2018 (or STOP School Violence Act). Among its provisions, the STOP School Violence Act of 2018 authorizes the Department of Justice to manage grant programs that support states, local governments and federally recognized Indian tribes to prevent and reduce school violence.

The STOP School Violence Act also authorized the Office of Justice Programs and the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services to develop grant programs that provide funding to enhance school safety. These funds are used to develop or improve school safety projects, such as enhancing school threat assessment efforts, as well as to implement technological solutions that improve reporting of suspicious activity in and around schools. This program also helps states create and enhance State School Safety Centers.

This year, OJP's Bureau of Justice Assistance awarded nearly \$53 million via three separate funding opportunities required through the Act, while COPS awarded nearly \$32.5 million through its School Violence Prevention Program.

BJA's STOP School Violence Technology and Threat Assessment Solutions for Safer Schools Program (\$29.5 million)

BJA awarded 68 local governments, federally recognized Indian tribes and public agencies nearly \$29.5 million to directly help schools by providing school administrators, staff, students and first responders with the ability to use threat assessments, crisis intervention teams, and anonymous reporting technology. The funds are also used to create or enhance State School Safety Centers.

The number of awards made by category include:

Number of	Description of Jurisdiction Awards by Size	Total
Awards		
4	A state with a population greater than 5,000,000	\$3,734,149
2	A state with a population fewer than 5,000,000	\$857,480
13	An urban area or large county with a population greater than 500,000	\$6,156,912
9	A suburban area or medium-sized county with a population between 100,000 and 500,000	\$2,076,894
8	A rural area or small county with a population fewer than 100,000	\$1,116,346
1	A federally recognized Indian tribe	\$100,000
19	Anonymous reporting	\$4,049,530
12	State School Safety Centers	\$11,394,378
	TOTAL:	\$29,485,689

Individual awards made by category and state include:

Category 1 - A state with a population greater than 5,000,000:

Awardee State or Territory	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Colorado	Colorado Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management	\$999,987
New Jersey	New Jersey Department of Education	\$1,000,000
North Carolina	North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation	\$956,880
Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency	\$777,282

Category 2 - A state with a population fewer than 5,000,000:

Awardee State or Territory	Awardee	Amount Awarded
South Dakota	South Dakota Department of Public Safety	\$500,000
Vermont	Vermont Department of Public Safety	\$357,480

Category 3 – An urban area or large county with a population greater than 500,000:

Awardee State or Territory	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Arizona	Tempe Union High School District 213	\$498,885
California	San Mateo County Office of Education	\$500,000
Florida	The School Board of Broward County	\$500,000
Florida	The School Board of Broward County	\$500,000
Florida	Broward Sheriff's Office	\$500,000
Florida	Hillsborough County Public Schools	\$500,000
Florida	District School Board of Pasco County	\$500,000
Florida	School Board of Pinellas County	\$499,422

Awardee State or Territory	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Kentucky	Ohio Valley Educational Cooperative	\$499,999
New Jersey	County of Bergen	\$500,000
New York	Uniondale Union Free School District	\$160,055
Texas	Austin Independent School District	\$498,551
Texas	Lake Worth Independent School District	\$500,000

Category 4 – A suburban area or medium-sized county with a population between 100,000 and 500,000:

Awardee State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
or Territory		
California	New Visions Middle School	\$249,450
California	Pasadena Unified School District	\$249,723
Florida	Collier County Sheriff's Office	\$250,000
Florida	Marion County Sheriff's Office	\$250,000
Michigan	Genesee Intermediate School District	\$249,447
New Jersey	Board of Education, City of Paterson	\$250,000
Pennsylvania	Lackawanna County	\$249,951
Texas	Tulare County Office of Education	\$250,000
Texas	Weatherford Independent School District	\$78,323

Category 5 – A rural area or small county with a population fewer than 100,000:

Awardee State or Territory	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Arkansas	Texarkana Police Department	\$144,075
California	Santa Paula Unified School District	\$150,000
Louisiana	Winn Parish School Board	\$150,000
Missouri	Cape Girardeau Public Schools	\$72,321
New York	Sodus Central School District	\$150,000
Ohio	Steubenville City School District	\$149,975
Oklahoma	Stilwell Public Schools	\$149,975
Texas	Karnes City Independent School District	\$150,000

Category 6 – A federally recognized Indian tribe:

Awardee State or Territory	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Alaska	Cook Inlet Tribal Council, Inc.	\$100,000

Awardee State or Territory	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Arkansas	Southwest Arkansas Education Cooperative	\$249,976
Arkansas	Elkins School District 10	\$2,500
California	San Mateo County Office of Education	\$250,000
Georgia	Pelham City Board of Education	\$63,000
Illinois	DuPage County Sheriff's Office	\$226,215
Kansas	Smoky Hill/Central Kansas Education Service Center	\$249,998
Minnesota	Department of Public Safety/BCA	\$250,000
Missouri	Consolidated School District 2	\$250,000
New Jersey	Board of Education, City of Paterson	\$250,000
New Jersey	County of Bergen	\$250,000
New Jersey	Greenwich Township Police Department	\$250,000
Oklahoma	Norman Public Schools	\$100,000
Oklahoma	State Department of Education	\$250,000
Texas	Karnes City Independent School District	\$238,163
Texas	Texas Department of Public Safety	\$250,000
Texas	McAllen Independent School District	\$250,000
Virginia	Chesterfield County Public Schools	\$250,000
Virginia	Chesterfield County Public Schools	\$169,678
Wisconsin	City of Milwaukee Police Department	\$250,000

Category 7 – Anonymous reporting:

Category 8 – State School Safety Centers:

Awardee State or Territory	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Arkansas	University of Arkansas System Criminal Justice Institute	\$1,000,000
Georgia	Georgia Criminal Justice Coordinating Council	\$999,554
Idaho	Idaho Office of School Safety and Security	\$445,000
Michigan	Michigan Department of State Police	\$999,825
Missouri	Department of Public Safety	\$999,372
Montana	University of Montana	\$1,000,000
New Jersey	New Jersey Department of Education	\$1,000,000
North Carolina	NC Department of Public Instruction	\$955,532
Ohio	Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services	\$1,000,000
Oklahoma	Oklahoma State Department of Education	\$996,855
South Dakota	South Dakota Department of Public Safety	\$998,240
Texas	Texas State University	\$1,000,000

BJA's STOP School Violence Prevention and Mental Health Training Program (\$17.3 million)

An additional \$17.3 million was awarded to 43 state and local governments, federally recognized Indian tribes, and public agencies to provide multi-disciplinary training programs to school personnel and students (including volunteers, counselors, coaches and school resource officers) with the intent to prevent and respond to mental health crises that may precipitate violent attacks on school grounds.

The training will address critical issues such as bullying, addiction and interpersonal violence through education sessions in consultation with school violence researchers, licensed mental health professionals, social workers, teachers, principals and other school personnel.

Number of	Description of Jurisdiction Awards by Size	Total
Awards		
4	A state with a population greater than 5,000,000	\$3,997,317
6	A state with a population fewer than 5,000,000	\$2,998,997
13	An urban area or large county with a population greater	\$6,373,149
	than 500,000	
13	A suburban area or medium-sized county with a	\$2,947,576
	population between 100,000 and 500,000	
7	A rural area or small county with a population fewer	\$1,043,285
	than 100,000	
	TOTAL	\$17,360,324

The number of awards made by category include:

Individual awards made by category and state include:

Category 1 - A state with a population greater than 5,000,000:

Awardee State or Territory	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Arizona	Executive Office of the State of Arizona	\$997,350
Michigan	Michigan Department of State Police	\$999,967
North Carolina	Department of Public Instruction	\$1,000,000
Texas	Texas State University	\$1,000,000

Category 2 - A state with a population fewer than 5,000,000:

Awardee State or Territory	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Arkansas	Arkansas Department of Education	\$500,000
Idaho	Idaho Department of Health and Welfare	\$500,000
Louisiana	Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement	\$500,000
Oklahoma	Oklahoma State Department of Education	\$498,997

Awardee State or Territory	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Puerto Rico	Puerto Rico Department of Education	\$500,000
South Dakota	South Dakota Department of Public Safety	\$500,000

Category 3 – An urban area or large county with a population greater than 500,000:

Awardee State or Territory	Awardee	Amount Awarded
California	Alameda County Health Care Services Agency	\$497,100
Florida	School District of Palm Beach County	\$500,000
Florida	The School Board of Miami-Dade County	\$500,000
Florida	Hillsborough County Public Schools	\$492,953
Florida	Pinellas County dba Board of County Commissioners	\$499,922
Minnesota	Intermediate District 287	\$499,905
New York	Freeport Union Free School District	\$500,000
New York	Westchester County	\$500,000
New York	Uniondale Union Free School District	\$387,379
North Carolina	Craven County Sheriff Department	\$499,357
Texas	Austin Independent School District	\$499,588
Virginia	Fairfax County Public Schools	\$500,000
Washington	Seattle School District 1 of King County	\$496,945

Category 4 – A suburban area or medium-sized county with a population between 100,000 and 500,000:

Awardee State or Territory	Awardee	Amount Awarded
California	Corona-Norco Unified School District	\$249,100
California	New Visions Middle School	\$249,450
Florida	Seminole County Public Schools	\$250,000
Florida	City of Cape Coral	\$123,151
Illinois	County of Kankakee	\$244,382
Louisiana	Caddo Parish School Board	\$250,000
Maryland	Howard County Public School System	\$100,173
Michigan	Genesee Intermediate School District	\$249,864
New York	Onondaga County	\$249,989
Texas	McAllen Independent School District	\$249,516
Washington	Granger School District 204	\$231,955
Washington	Benton County Sheriff Office	\$250,000
Wisconsin	Cooperative Educational Service Agency 10	\$249,996

Awardee State or Territory	Awardee	Amount Awarded
California	Santa Paula Unified School District	\$150,000
California	Silver Valley Unified School District	\$150,000
Mississippi	Pearl River County School District	\$143,285
Missouri	Normandy Schools Collaborative	\$150,000
Montana	Browning Public School District 9	\$150,000
New York	County of Wayne	\$150,000
Pennsylvania	Keystone Central School District	\$150,000

Category 5 – A rural area or small county with a population fewer than 100,000:

BJA's STOP School Violence Training and Technical Assistance Program (\$6 million)

BJA also awarded nearly \$6 million to Regents of the University of Michigan to provide training and technical assistance to existing and future STOP School Violence grantees. This grantee will also provide information to BJA, COPS and the criminal justice community on the subject of school violence and school safety, while also serving as a resource and training center for information and research about national and statewide school safety initiatives.

COPS' School Violence Prevention Program (\$32.5 million)

For a second year, COPS provided funding to improve school safety through violence prevention. This year, COPS awarded about \$32.5 million to 103 school and school districts. These funds will provide K-12, primary and secondary schools up to 75% funding for the following school safety measures:

- Coordination with law enforcement;
- Training for local law enforcement officers to prevent student violence against others and themselves;
- Metal detectors, locks, lighting, and other deterrent measures;
- Technology for expedited notification of local law enforcement during an emergency;
- Any other measure that the COPS Office determines may provide a significant improvement in security.

Awardee State or Territory	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Alaska	Bethel Police Department	\$500,000
Alaska	Fairbanks North Star Borough School District	\$500,000
Arkansas	Danville School District	\$122,850
Arizona	Tucson Unified School District	\$525,000
Arizona	Tempe Union High School District	\$490,962
California	Chawanakee Unified School District	\$500,000

FY 2019 recipients include:

Awardee State or	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Territory		
California	Santa Ana Unified School District Police Dept.	\$500,000
California	Pasadena Unified School District-Police Dept.	\$498,765
California	El Rancho Unified School District	\$400,605
California	San Juan Unified School District	\$265,479
California	Baldwin Park School Police Department	\$241,679
California	Corona-Norco Unified School District	\$486,900
California	San Joaquin County Office of Education	\$482,783
Colorado	Hayden School District RE1	\$43,868
Connecticut	Stamford Police Department	\$499,717
Delaware	Colonial School District	\$393,120
Florida	Duval County Public Schools	\$500,000
Florida	School Board of Broward County	\$500,000
Florida	Miami-Dade County Public Schools Police Dept.	\$479,700
Florida	Hillsborough County Public Schools	\$249,150
Florida	School Board of Orange County	\$70,325
Georgia	Chattahoochee County Ga, School District Police	\$463,235
Georgia	Meriwether County Board of Education	\$440,222
Georgia	Calhoun City Schools	\$153,750
Georgia	Fulton County Board of Education	\$456,901
Iowa	Iowa City Community School District	\$187,489
Idaho	Nampa School District 131	\$440,354
Illinois	Meridian CUSD 101	\$281,500
Illinois	Cook County Board of Education District #80	\$83,663
Illinois	Elmwood CUSD 322	\$59,963
Illinois	Jackson County Sheriff's Department	\$478,688
Illinois	O'Fallon Community Consolidated School District 90	\$358,835
Indiana	City of East Chicago	\$234,323
Indiana	Metro School District of Decatur Township	\$149,919
Indiana	Southwestern Jefferson County Consolidated School	\$200,015
Kansas	USD 417 Morris County Public Schools	\$452,913
Kansas	Wichita Public Schools Unified School District	\$332,438
Kentucky	Campbell County Board of Education	\$495,462
Kentucky	Rowan County Schools	\$419,823
Kentucky	Corbin Independent Schools	\$154,827
Kentucky	McCracken County Public Schools	\$124,646
Kentucky	Letcher County Sheriff's Department	\$136,673
Louisiana	Washington Parish School System	\$354,011
	Hampden-Wilbraham Regional School District	\$411,911
Maryland Maryland	Board of Education of St. Mary's County	\$60,729
Maine	School Administrative District #15	\$494,850
Maine	Regional School Unit No. 52	
Maine	Sanford School Department	\$324,108 \$216,221

Awardee	Amount Awarded
	\$181,767
8	\$40,500
	\$42,555
	\$500,000
1	\$479,982
	\$191,097
	\$169,982
Warsaw R-IX School District	\$142,068
City of Breckenridge	\$120,593
Stoutland R-II School District	\$84,055
South Pemiscot R-V Schools	\$96,663
Lawson R-XIV School District	\$315,572
Long Beach School District	\$374,834
Petal School District	\$26,550
Polson School District #23	\$476,347
Rockingham County Schools	\$500,097
Guilford County Schools	\$500,000
Moore County Schools	\$472,283
Department of Public Instruction	\$344,394
City of Newton	\$47,101
Valley City School District 2	\$214,580
Bismarck Public Schools	\$151,083
McCook Police Department	\$14,724
Kearney Public Schools	\$326,264
Elizabeth Public Schools	\$494,750
West Orange Public Schools	\$299,490
	\$190,803
	\$372,752
	\$157,208
	\$67,425
	\$500,000
	\$370,289
	\$500,000
*	\$327,749
	\$253,058
	\$337,004
	\$490,775
	\$360,914
	\$470,662
	\$499,662
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Waco Independent School District	\$497,171
	Maine School Administrative District 30Regional School Unit No. 38Vassar Public SchoolsNorthville Public SchoolsSpecial School District No. 1Ralls County R-II School DistrictCommunity R-VI School DistrictWarsaw R-IX School DistrictCity of BreckenridgeStoutland R-II School DistrictSouth Pemiscot R-V SchoolsLawson R-XIV School DistrictPetal School DistrictPolson School DistrictPolson School District #23Rockingham County SchoolsGuifford County SchoolsDepartment of Public InstructionCity of NewtonValley City School District 2Bismarck Public SchoolsMecook Police DepartmentKearney Public SchoolsWest Orange Public SchoolsWest Orange Public SchoolsQuapaw Tribe of OklahomaOklahoma City Public SchoolsLane County School DistrictPlain Township Board of EducationQuapaw Tribe of OklahomaOklahoma City Public SchoolsLane County School DistrictPhiladelphia School DistrictMorrisville Police DepartmentCity of Central FallsHampton School DistrictRock Hill School DistrictRoke Hill School DistrictRoke Hill School DistrictSond Of EducationRupaw Tribe of OklahomaOklahoma City Public SchoolsLane County School DistrictKeystone Central FallsHampton School DistrictStrietSchool DistrictStriet </td

Awardee	Awardee	Amount Awarded
State or		
Territory		
Texas	Duncanville Independent School District	\$375,000
Texas	El Paso Independent School District Police Services	\$375,000
Texas	Mission Con Independent School District	\$367,374
Texas	Seguin Independent School District	\$238,115
Texas	Del Valle Independent School District	\$162,690
Texas	Humble Independent School District Police Department	\$500,000
Texas	Colorado City Independent School District	\$184,173
Utah	Grand County School District	\$114,116
Virginia	Suffolk Public Schools	\$405,648
Virginia	Winchester Public Schools	\$480,714
Wisconsin	School District of Albany	\$51,344
West Virginia	Lewis County Board of Commissioners	\$340,650
West Virginia	Logan County Sheriff's Department	\$196,500

To learn more about the STOP School Violence Act and the School Violence Prevention Program, visit <u>https://www.bja.gov/stop-school-violence-program/</u> and <u>https://cops.usdoj.gov/svpp</u>.

About the Office of Justice Programs:

The Office of Justice Programs, directed by Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General Katharine T. Sullivan, provides federal leadership, grants, training, technical assistance and other resources to improve the nation's capacity to prevent and reduce crime, assist victims and enhance the rule of law by strengthening the criminal and juvenile justice systems. More information about OJP and its components can be found at <u>www.ojp.gov</u>.

About the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services:

The COPS Office is a federal agency responsible for advancing community policing nationwide. Since 1994, the COPS Office has invested more than \$14 billion to advance community policing, including grants awarded to more than 13,000 state, local and tribal law enforcement agencies to fund the hiring and redeployment of approximately 130,000 officers and provide a variety of knowledge resource products including publications, training and technical assistance. For additional information about the COPS Office, please visit www.cops.usdoj.gov.

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