OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS ANNOUNCES MORE THAN $76 MILLION AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT SCHOOL SAFETY

WASHINGTON – The Office of Justice Programs today announced that more than $76 million in grant funding is available to help communities improve school security and protect students, teachers and faculty from threats of violence.

“School violence is no longer an abstract threat but has become a tragic reality in too many of America’s communities. Moving to meet this challenge is among the Administration’s top domestic priorities,” said OJP Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General Katharine T. Sullivan. “The Department of Justice is front and center in the fight to meet this challenge. OJP is making historic amounts of grant funding available to ensure that our communities have access to innovative and diverse solutions.”

OJP is the federal government’s leading source of public safety funding and crime victim assistance for state, local and tribal jurisdictions. Its programs support a wide array of activities and services, including programs designed to tighten school security and improve the reporting of threats.

A number of funding opportunities for school safety are currently open, with another opening in the near future:

Research and Evaluation on School Safety
https://nij.ojp.gov/funding/opportunities/nij-2020-17308
Total Available $5 million Deadline 4/13/2020

Preventing School Violence: BJA’s STOP School Violence Program
https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/opportunities/bja-2020-17312
Total Available $71.4 million Deadline 6/9/2020

For more information regarding all OJP funding opportunities, visit https://www.ojp.gov/funding/explore/current-funding-opportunities.

The year 2020 marks the 150th anniversary of the Department of Justice. Learn more about the history of our agency at www.Justice.gov/Celebrating150Years.

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 www.ojp.gov.