



# FUNDING for SCHOOL & CAMPUS SAFETY SOLUTIONS 2023

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## **ENHANCING COMMUNICATION FOR SAFETY AND SECURITY PERSONNEL IN SCHOOL AND COLLEGE CAMPUSES**

Whatever the situation, FirstNet gives those who support first responders – school safety personnel and administrators – the ability to connect and communicate with emergency personnel every day.

And when disaster strikes, you can be uplifted to priority status, so you can keep the lines of communication open – when it matters most.

# OVERVIEW

This presentation is designed to provide information about stimulus and grant programs to fund school and campus safety solutions.

The following topics will be reviewed:

- ▶ **FY2023 COPS – School Violence Prevention Program (SVPP)**
- ▶ **FY2023 BJA’s – STOP School Violence Program**
- ▶ **Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (ARPA)**
- ▶ **Other federal grant programs to consider for school/campus safety solutions**
- ▶ **State School Safety Programs**
- ▶ **Importance of seeking De-obligated/Re-obligated funds**
- ▶ **How PS Grants can assist you**
- ▶ **How PS Grants can be accessed for assistance**



# FY 2023 COPS – SCHOOL VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAM (SVPP)

The goal of the School Violence Prevention Program (SVPP) is to improve security at schools and on school grounds through the implementation of evidence-based school safety programs and technology. SVPP awards will contribute to this goal by funding projects which include funding of civilian personnel to serve as coordinators with law enforcement, training for local law enforcement officers, the purchase and installation of certain allowable equipment and technology, and other measures to significantly improve school safety.



# FY 2023 COPS – SCHOOL VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAM (SVPP)

## Eligible Applicants:

“City or Township Governments, Independent School Districts, Native American Tribal Governments (Federally Recognized), State Governments, Unrestricted (open to any type of entity above), subject to any clarification in text field entitled as additional Information on Eligibility, Other...”

Please refer to the [SOLICITATION DOCUMENT](#) for additional program information and definition of “Other” applicants.

### Grants.gov Deadline:

➤ [May 10, 2023, 4:59 pm  
Eastern](#)

### JustGrants Deadline:

➤ [May 17, 2023, 4:59 pm  
Eastern](#)



# FY 2023 COPS – SCHOOL VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAM (SVPP)

**Anticipated Maximum Dollar Amount of Awards:**

- **\$500,000**

**Period of Performance Start Date: 10/1/23**

**Period of Performance Duration: 36 (Months)**

**Anticipated Total Amount to be Awarded Under Solicitation:  
\$73,000,000**

**Cost Share:  
25% Match**



# FY 2023 COPS – SCHOOL VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAM (SVPP)

## ALLOWABLE COSTS:

### **Personnel:**

- Civilian/Non-Sworn Positions
- Fringe Benefits for Civilian/Non-Sworn Positions

### **Equipment:**

- Entry Control Equipment
- Door locking mechanisms/access control doors
- Peepholes for classroom doors
- School site alarm and protection systems—Motion detectors
- Lighting (on school grounds)





# FY 2023 COPS – SCHOOL VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAM (SVPP)

## **Technology:**

- Communication technology
- Emergency call boxes
- Intercom or public address (PA) system
- Panic and immediate alarm notification systems
- Two-way radios
- Emergency alerts—Automated text messages or email
- Identification technology—ID scanning devices (and accompanying equipment)
- Laptops (directly related to SVPP)
- Maps of Schools/Bus Routes – GIS software
- Printers (directly related to SVPP)
- Security cameras and/or systems (and accompanying equipment)



# FY 2023 COPS – SCHOOL VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAM (SVPP)

## **Supplies:**

Supplies include any materials that are expended or consumed during the SVPP project. Such costs may include training manuals, paper, printer ink, pens, postage, etc.

## **Contracts/Consultants/Subawards:**

Consultant expenses and contracts include goods or services that directly contribute to the implementation or enhancement of the SVPP project. The use of a consultant should be more economical than direct employment. Contractor/consultant costs may include costs to provide one-time training to staff for equipment operation or use and contracting/consulting services that provide such things as needs analysis, installation, and testing.

## **Other costs:**

Items not included in the previous categories but that have a direct correlation to the overall success of a recipient's project objectives and are necessary for the project to reach full implementation will be considered on a case-by-case basis by the COPS Office. Costs may include:

- Shipping costs
- School safety assessments
- Fencing, gates, or poles (for lights or cameras)



# FY 2023 BJA's – STOP SCHOOL VIOLENCE PROGRAM



The goal of the STOP School Violence Program is to assist county, local, territorial, and tribal jurisdictions in improving efforts to reduce violent crime in and around schools.

With this solicitation, BJA seeks to increase school safety by implementing training that will improve school climate using school-based behavioral threat assessments and/or intervention teams to identify school violence risks among students, technological solutions shown to increase school safety such as anonymous reporting technology, and other school safety strategies that assist in preventing violence.



# FY 2023 BJA's – STOP SCHOOL VIOLENCE PROGRAM

## Eligible Applicants:

“City or township governments, County governments, Independent school districts, Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized), Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education, Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education, Private institutions of higher education, Public and State controlled institutions of higher education, State governments, Other...”

For additional program information , please refer to:

[SOLICITATION DOCUMENT](#)

### Grants.gov Deadline:

- [May 8, 2023, 4:59 pm Eastern](#)

### JustGrants Deadline:

- [May 15, 2023, 4:59 pm Eastern](#)



# FY 2023 BJA's – STOP SCHOOL VIOLENCE PROGRAM

## Eligible Applicants (Cont.):

### Category 1:

- State governments
- Public and state-controlled institutions of higher education

### Category 2:

- City or township governments
- County governments
- Units of local governments
- Native American tribal governments (federally recognized)
- Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
- Private institutions of higher education
- Independent school districts
- Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of
- higher education

Private K–12 schools, including private charter schools, should apply as “nonprofits.”  
Public charter schools should apply as “independent school districts.”



# FY 2023 BJA's – STOP SCHOOL VIOLENCE PROGRAM

**Anticipated Maximum Dollar Amount of Awards:**

- **Category 1: up to \$2,000,000 each, and Category 2: up to \$1,000,000 each**

**Period of Performance Start Date: 10/1/23**

**Period of Performance Duration: 36 (Months)**

**Anticipated Total Amount to be Awarded Under Solicitation: \$79,000,000**

**Cost Share:**

**NONE. 100% Federal**

## **Continuation Funding Intent:**

BJA may, in certain cases, provide additional funding in future years to awards made under this solicitation through continuation awards. OJP will consider, among other factors, OJP's strategic priorities, a recipient's overall management of the award, and the award-funded work's progress, when making continuation award decisions.



# FY 2023 BJA's – STOP SCHOOL VIOLENCE PROGRAM

## Eligible Equipment

Develop and operate technology solutions such as anonymous reporting systems (ARS) for threats of school violence, including mobile telephone applications, hotlines, websites, or other school safety technology solutions, for accurate identification of danger (without resorting to discriminatory stereotypes or violating privacy) or other technology solutions shown to improve school safety. Applicants will demonstrate in their applications or with attached letters of support or memorandums of understanding (MOUs) that they have the support of relevant team partners, including local law enforcement.

*Applicants should also discuss how this system will not duplicate but complement existing ARS systems in the jurisdiction or state. Applicants will need to detail how the data collected through this system is handled, secured, and shared and review data to ensure there is no disparate impact based on race, ethnicity, or disability in outcomes.*



# FY 2023 BJA's – STOP SCHOOL VIOLENCE PROGRAM

## Digital Trust

Technological devices, artificial intelligence, predictive analytics, and other data-driven solutions (“Technological Enhancements”) are increasingly used to augment crime reduction strategies and efforts. Care must be taken to assess and address any potential harm that could be activated by these solutions to ensure privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties are protected. *Applicants proposing to utilize grant funds to support technological enhancements directly or via training and technical assistance may receive priority consideration if their proposal addresses tenets of digital trust such as:*

- How the technology will be carefully implemented through training of personnel and the setting and enforcement of policies governing its use to ensure that it contributes to positive outcomes for public safety, the community, and/or the criminal justice system.
- How the applicant will safeguard privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties throughout the duration of the project period.

Samples of previous, successful applications can be found at:

<https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/successful-applications>





# QUESTIONS?



# CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS (ARPA)

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY

## Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (ARPA)

The U.S. Department of Treasury is the federal agency distributing the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (“State, Local, and Tribal Aid”) appropriation totaling \$360 Billion. This aid will consist of the following:

- ▶ \$350 Billion to State, Local and Tribal governments
- ▶ \$10 Billion in a Capital Projects Fund

[Visit the US Treasury Website to Learn More](#)



# CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS (ARPA)

U.S. Department of Treasury  
**ALLOCATION INFORMATION**

State Allocations

County Allocations

Metropolitan City Allocations

Non-Entitled Units of Government Allocations

Tribal Government Allocation Methodology



# CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS (ARPA)

## Eligible Use of Funds:

Treasury has stated that within the following categories of eligible uses, recipients will have broad flexibility to decide how best to use this funding to meet the needs of their communities:

- ▶ **Replace lost public sector revenue**, using this funding to provide **government services** to the extent of the reduction in revenue experienced due to the pandemic
- ▶ **Respond to the far-reaching public health and negative economic impacts of the pandemic**, by supporting the health of communities, and helping households, small businesses, impacted industries, nonprofits, and the public sector recover from economic impacts



# CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS (ARPA)

## Eligible Use of Funds (Cont.):

- ▶ **Provide premium pay for essential workers**, offering additional support to those who have borne and will bear the greatest health risks because of their service in critical infrastructure sectors; and,
- ▶ **Invest in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure**, making necessary investments to improve access to clean drinking water, support vital wastewater and stormwater infrastructure, and to expand access to broadband internet



# CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS (ARPA)

The **Final Rule** gives recipients broad latitude to use funds for the provision of government services to the extent of reduction in revenue. Government services can include, **but are not limited to**, maintenance of infrastructure or pay-go spending for building new infrastructure, including roads; **modernization of cybersecurity, including hardware, software, and protection of critical infrastructure**; **health services**; environmental remediation; **school or educational services**; **and the provision of police, fire, and other public safety services**.

*Please refer to **pages 4400-4408** of the **Final Rule** for more information pertaining to the revenue loss calculation methodology and use of funds for government services.*



# CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS (ARPA)

## Period of Performance

The State, Local, and Tribal Aid Funds being administered by the U.S. Department of Treasury provides the following important dates:

All funds **must be obligated by:**  
**December 31, 2024**

All funds **must be expended by:**  
**December 31, 2026**



# QUESTIONS?





# OTHER FEDERAL GRANT PROGRAMS TO CONSIDER

## U.S. Department of Homeland Security HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (HSGP)

The HSGP consists of three programs:

- ▶ **State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSGP)**
- ▶ **Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI)**
- ▶ **Operation Stonegarden**

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security has identified **education facilities as a critical infrastructure** subsector to government facilities, requiring federal coordination and assistance to state and local governments to secure. Accordingly, **assistance to schools for preparedness activities is a statutorily authorized use of the DHS HSGP.**

For more information, please contact your **State Administrative Agency Contact** which can be found at the following website:

**<https://www.fema.gov/grants/preparedness/about/state-administrative-agency-contacts>**



# OTHER FEDERAL GRANT PROGRAMS TO CONSIDER (Cont.)

## U.S. Department of Homeland Security

### TRIBAL HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (HSGP)

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security has identified education facilities as a critical infrastructure subsector to government facilities, requiring federal coordination and assistance to state and local governments to secure. Accordingly, assistance to schools for preparedness activities is a statutorily authorized use of the DHS THSGP.



# OTHER FEDERAL GRANT PROGRAMS TO CONSIDER (Cont.)

U.S. Department of Homeland Security

## NONPROFIT SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (NSGP)

Many private schools, including religious schools, have received assistance through the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP) for security improvements.

NSGP recipients were awarded **grants of up to \$100,000** based on risk analysis, anticipated effectiveness, and integration with state and local law enforcement.

For more information, please contact your **State Administrative Agency Contact** which can be found at the following website:

<https://www.fema.gov/grants/preparedness/about/state-administrative-agency-contacts>



# OTHER FEDERAL GRANT PROGRAMS TO CONSIDER (Cont.)

## U.S. Department of Justice

- ▶ FY 2023 SMART POLICING INITIATIVE GRANT PROGRAM  
GRANTS.GOV DEADLINE: MAY 1, 2023  
JUSTGRANTS DEADLINE: MAY 8, 2023
- ▶ FY 2023 COMMUNITY-BASED APPROACHES TO PREVENT AND ADDRESS HATE CRIMES  
GRANTS.GOV DEADLINE: MAY 17, 2023  
JUSTGRANTS DEADLINE: MAY 24, 2023
- ▶ FY 2023 OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS COMMUNITY BASED VIOLENCE INTERVENTION AND PREVENTION INITIATIVE  
GRANTS.GOV DEADLINE: MAY 18, 2023  
JUSTGRANTS DEADLINE: MAY 25, 2023



# OTHER FEDERAL GRANT PROGRAMS TO CONSIDER (Cont.)

U.S. Department of Agriculture

## COMMUNITY CONNECT GRANTS

### Who's eligible?

- ▶ Incorporated organizations
- ▶ Federally-recognized Tribes
- ▶ State and local units of government
- ▶ Any other legal entity, including cooperatives, private corporations, or limited liability companies organized on a for-profit or not-for-profit basis

**The Application Deadline: June 20, 2023, 11:59am ET.**



# OTHER FEDERAL GRANT PROGRAMS TO CONSIDER (Cont.)

## U.S. Department of Agriculture DISTANCE LEARNING and TELEMEDICINE PROGRAM

### Who's eligible?

- ▶ Most State and local governmental entities
- ▶ Federally-recognized Tribes
- ▶ Non-profits
- ▶ For-profit businesses
- ▶ Consortia of eligible entities

The next application window is expected to January, 2024.



# STATES WITH SCHOOL SAFETY GRANT PROGRAMS

- ▶ Arizona
- ▶ Arkansas
- ▶ Colorado
- ▶ Connecticut
- ▶ Illinois
- ▶ Indiana
- ▶ Iowa
- ▶ Maryland
- ▶ Massachusetts
- ▶ Michigan
- ▶ New Hampshire
- ▶ New Jersey
- ▶ North Carolina
- ▶ Ohio
- ▶ Pennsylvania
- ▶ South Carolina
- ▶ Tennessee
- ▶ Texas
- ▶ Virginia
- ▶ Wisconsin

# QUESTIONS?





# IMPORTANCE OF DE-OBLIGATED / RE-OBLIGATED FUNDS

## What is a De-Obligation of Funds?

- ▶ A de-obligation of funds is a subrecipients cancellation or downward adjustment of previously awarded funds based on recipient/subrecipients cost savings or inability to expend all or any part of awarded funds.

## What is a Re-Obligation of Funds?

- ▶ De-obligated funds may be Re-obligated to a new subrecipient within the availability of time remaining in the Period of Performance (PoP) of the federal grant.

## ACCESSING DE-OBLIGATED FUNDS

- ▶ **De-obligated funds may be accessed by contacting the state administrative agency (or recipient jurisdiction in the case of stimulus funds) that is administering the federal grant program/funds.**

**IMPORTANT to get your project on the radar!!!**



# QUESTIONS?



# WHO IS PS GRANTS?

**PS Grants is an organization that provides free grants assistance and services to public sector and tribal entities that:**

- ▶ **Don't have the necessary budget to support paid grants assistance and services through a third party (i.e., not all grants permit use of funds for this purpose);**
- ▶ **Don't want to or can't afford to obligate *project* funding for this purpose (i.e., grant application caps);**
- ▶ **Need assistance in understanding the federal grants landscape (i.e., agency employees new to grants); or**
- ▶ **Require assistance in navigating federal grant guidance documents and application process (i.e., Notice of Funding Opportunity, Solicitation documents).**



# HOW PS GRANTS CAN ASSIST PUBLIC SECTOR ENTITIES

## PS Grants can provide the following assistance:

- ▶ Create educational grant resources
- ▶ Host public educational grant webinars for public sector entities
- ▶ Serve as a referral for public sector entities seeking grant assistance guidance, including:
  - Assess a project to determine the applicable funding source(s) based on jurisdiction, demographics, discipline(s), applicant eligibility, cost eligibility, etc.
  - Identify all federal programs that the customer can consider for funding the project
  - Discuss eligibility criteria and where to access the information in grant guidance/criteria
  - Provide customer with guidance on how to access grant programs at the federal/state/local government levels (i.e., engage the grant administrator or policy/decision making body)
  - Provide customer with successful tips on completing a grant application



# UPCOMING WEBINARS

**PS Grants is pleased to announce the following upcoming webinars:**

- ▶ **“Things to Know Before Writing a Grant Application” – JUNE 7, 2023**
- ▶ **“Funding Your Public Safety Projects with Federal Grants” – JUNE 21, 2023**
- ▶ **“Understanding the Infrastructure Bill” – AUGUST 2023**
- ▶ **“Funding Your Public Safety Projects for Small & Rural Jurisdictions” – SEPTEMBER 2023**
- ▶ **“Funding Your Public Safety Projects for Tribal Nations” – OCTOBER 2023**
- ▶ **“Grant Funding for Health Care Organizations” – NOVEMBER 2023**



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# ASSISTANCE

**If you have questions about applying for a grant or would like further assistance in identifying grant opportunities, you are welcome to contact:**

**[kamala@ps-grants.org](mailto:kamala@ps-grants.org)**

**For more resources and content, please visit:**

**[www.ps-grants.org](http://www.ps-grants.org)**



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