



## COPS SCHOOL VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAM (SVPP)

**FUNDS AVAILABLE**  
APPLY BY APRIL 8, 2020

# \$50 MILLION

### GRANT HIGHLIGHTS

The COPS Office STOP School Violence Prevention Program (SVPP) is a competitive award program designed to provide funding to improve security at schools and on school grounds through evidence-based school safety programs. SVPP funding is available for the following purpose areas:

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

The COPS Office anticipates making 150 SVPP awards totaling \$50 million, with 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, which is three years.

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.

### ALLOWABLE COSTS

Budget requests may be made in the following categories:

- **Technology:** including, among other things:
  - **Communications technology:** Two-way radios, alarm notification systems, emergency call boxes, intercoms/PA systems
  - **Video surveillance technology:** Surveillance cameras and/or systems (and accompanying equipment)
  - Video prediction technology: data driven software
  - Social media monitoring: automated scans of online content
  - Identification technology (ID scanning devices); tracking systems (smart phone applications); laptops; maps of schools/bus routes (GIS software); printers
- **Equipment:** Entry control equipment, school site alarm and protection systems (including motion detectors), metal detectors and X-ray machines, lighting.

### WHO CAN APPLY

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

### APPLICATION DEADLINE

Applications must be submitted by April 8, 2020, at 7:59 p.m. EDT

Equipment and technology items must be clearly linked to the enhancement or implementation of the SVPP project.

Other allowable uses of SVPP funding include coordination (salaries and benefits for civilian/non-sworn personnel); travel/training for law enforcement officers to prevent school violence; supplies; contracts/consultants; and subawards.



## MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS OFFERS A PROVEN BASIS FOR YOUR APPLICATION

Industry studies, such as [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. At Motorola Solutions, we offer a wide range of solutions to promote school safety and security, increase operational efficiency and help connect teachers, School Resource Officers, and first responders in extreme emergencies, including:

- **MOTOTRBO™ Commercial Radios** - For many schools, DMR Tier III commercial radios such as MOTOTRBO provide a cost-effective way to connect key campus personnel for instant communication and everyday emergencies. Simple push-to-talk activity on a secure and resilient private radio network allows critical communications to continue even when local cell towers are swamped with traffic during an emergency.
- **APX™ Mission-Critical Radios** - Operating on the more resilient P25 radio networks preferred by first responders, APX radios provide the uncompromising quality and reliability demanded by public safety professionals. In many school districts, the School Resource Officer carries both DMR and P25 radios to manage communications with first responders and the school radios users simultaneously.
- **Radio Alert** - Receive critical alerts directly on your radio with sensor and camera analytics that connect seamlessly with your system, monitor activity and provide for a more focused response.
- **Mass Communicator** - Notify and mobilize critical personnel at a moments notice with automated alerts sent by text, email or voice message from laptops or smartphones ensuring easy information sharing across groups.
- **Video Security** - Capture critical details and enhance visibility across campus with specialized cameras for every location – such as fisheye for classrooms, multi-sensor for hallways, high definition for parking lots.
- **Access Control** - Manage staff, student and visitor access to buildings or restricted areas on school grounds using a role-based system with instant detection of individuals at access points.
- **All Incident Management Software** - Security teams can quickly dispatch, document, manage, and report on incidents with this intuitive, cloud-based software solution. Track incidents to resolution, show trends in student transgressions, and accurately document issues for Clery processes with a system designed for security personnel.
- **CommandCentral Aware** - Provide incident insights with real-time video and direct connections between your school and local law enforcement, giving police eyes on the scene in seconds for a more informed response.
- **TipSubmit** - Community engagement is the essence of a successful crime prevention program. Prevent K-12 campus crimes and solve more cases using TipSubmit. TipSubmit is a tip management service designed to allow school districts to anonymously collect tips from students.
- **Safety Connect with the APX 02 Control Head** - A solution specifically designed for school safety, the APX 02 Control Head connects to an APX mobile radio affiliated with the local law enforcement radio system. In an extreme emergency, administrators can press the large orange button on the front of the control head, opening a live communication channel with dispatch personnel so they can remotely monitor the incident on an open radio channel.
- **Network Bridges, Bi-directional Amplifiers, and Repeaters** - These infrastructure components boost signal strength inside schools structures where wall thickness and choice of building materials may inhibit radio coverage. By optimizing existing networks, connectivity in all parts of the school is ensured so that critical communications continue. Network Bridging solutions can help interconnect P25 systems on different radio frequencies, or even DMR Tier III and P25 networks, to enable first responders to connect directly with educators in extreme emergencies.
- **WAVE Work Group Communications** - Create simple, secure, and reliable Push-To-Talk communications between radios and devices outside the radio system, such as smartphones, tablets, and laptops. WAVE allows offsite administrators and supervisors to communicate directly with radio users on site, using their preferred device.

## HOW TO APPLY

Completing an application under this program is a two-step process. Applicants are first required to register via [www.grants.gov](http://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

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. 46-47) 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. 47-48) and [here](#).

- **Budget Detail Worksheets**

- Budget Detail Worksheet requirements and samples may be found in Section 14 of the Application Guide (pp. 48-54).

## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

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](http://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](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>

## WE CAN HELP YOU

The grant applications can be challenging to navigate. To help you, Motorola Solutions has partnered with the grant experts at EducationGrantsHelp.com. Their team of funding experts can help your agency identify which areas you are eligible for, answer questions and offer insights on how to write an effective application.

