

Arizona Department of Education



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School Safety Program Grant



Goals and Approach

- Consider the local needs of schools and intent of legislation
- Maintain fidelity to statute, the State Board approved plan, and information shared with the field
- Use data from applicant pool to determine structure of allocations
- Use existing data sets and indicators that impact student safety and college and career readiness
- Use application narratives (over course of grant cycle) to support accountability for awardee compliance and performance



Overview of Applicant Data

Number of Applications	
Total # of School Sites	931
Charter Schools	167
Rural Schools	88

Average Costs	
School Resource Officer (SRO) Juvenile Probation Officer (JPO)	\$117K
Social Worker (SW)	\$70K
School Counselor (SC)	\$67K



Overview of Applicant Data

First Choice Data

Position	# of Positions Requested	Total \$ Amount for First Choice	% of \$ Requested	Allocation of \$32M	~ # of Positions	% of Positions Requested
SC	337	\$22.6 million	31%	\$9.9 million	148	38%
SW	279	\$19.6 million	26%	\$8.3 million	118	31%
Subtotal (SC/SW)	616	\$42.2 million	57%	\$18.2 million	266	69%
SRO/ JPO	267	\$31.6 million	43%	\$13.8 million	116	31%
Total	883	\$73.8 million	100%	\$32 million	382	100%



Final Rubric - Tier 1 (All Applicants)

Must pass designated thresholds of criteria to move to the next tier.

- Completed Applications
- Ratios:
 - by position type
 - grades served at a school site (e.g. ES, HS, Unified)
- Rural School Site
- Existing SRO site with no other SRO resource



Final Rubric - Tier II (by Position Type)

Points assigned based on criteria

SRO

- Current grant compliance
- Existing Resource
- Homeless Percentage
- EdFacts Firearm Incident Data
- School-Specific Impact:
 - Chronic Absenteeism (K-8)
 - Drop Out Rate (7-12)
 - Graduation Rate (9-12)

SC/SW

- Homeless percentage
- Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI)
- School-Specific Impact:
 - Chronic Absenteeism (K-8)
 - Drop Out Rate (7-12)
 - Graduation Rate (9-12)



Final Rubric – Tier III (Tie Breaker)

Applicants were ranked based on points earned in Tier II, and as needed additional measured applied to rank order

SRO*

- Total Points
- Joint Sites
- Additional Crime Statistics
- Poverty Indicators
- Emergency Certified Teachers

**Tier III not needed based on funds available*

SC/SW

- Total Points**
- Joint Sites**
- Poverty Indicators**
- Emergency Certified Teachers***

***Used in Tier III for SC/SW*

****Used as tiebreaker in Tier III by % of emergency certificates for SW*



Final Count for Awards

- **148** School Counselors (38%)
- **118** Social Workers (31%)
- **116** SROS (31%)



Proposed Awardee Statistics

School Counselor

Total # of Schools	148	
Number of Charter Sites	21	14.2%
Number of Rural Sites	34	23%
Number of Joint Sites	35	23.6%
Total # of Counties	14 out of 15	

Social Worker

Total # of Schools	118	
Number of Charter Sites	17	14.4%
Number of Rural Sites	20	16.9%
Number of Joint Sites	16	13.6%
Total # of Counties	9 out of 15	

School Resource Officer/ Juvenile Probation Officer

Total # of Schools	116	
Existing SSP Grantee Sites	91	78.4%
New SSP Grantee Sites	25	21.6%
Number of Charter Sites	10	8.6%
Number of Rural Sites	7	6%
Number of Joint Sites	15	12.9%
Total # of Counties	9 out of 15	



Funding

\$32M in allocations to be awarded for the expanded School Safety Program

- The Fall 2019 application will create a new, 3-year cohort
- Funds will be awarded when SBE approves the final lists. Schools will have access to funds once they have a contract in place
- Schools will have until August 2020 to fill positions that have been awarded



School Safety Program Positions

Have a
behavioral
health
license?



You could become an AZ
certified **school counselor**.

Have a graduate
degree in
academic
advising?



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Have a graduate degree in:

- Social Work
- Psychology
- Counseling



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Certified
school
counselor
in another state?



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School Counselors.
Social Workers.
School Resource Officers.



Our schools need **you!**



Vision for the School Safety Program

- More state funding targeted for the Arizona School Safety Program
- ADE to provide information and technical assistance on existing federal funds, especially Title IV under ESSA
- ADE will work to identify additional federal resources and grants
- Explore possible legislative changes to accommodate statewide need in the field (e.g. move from competitive grant to formula funds or block grant)
- Support for schools to plan and build multidisciplinary teams, including through community partnerships and resources
- Develop policy and partnerships to increase and support pipelines of high-quality personnel to fill SC, SW, and SRO positions

