CTAS Orientation
Santa Ana Pueblo, NM December 2019

SELECTED COPS OFFICE PROGRAMS

COPS Hiring Program
School Violence Prevention Program
National Blue Alert Network
COPS Hiring Program (CHP)

PURPOSE / BACKGROUND

• Support hiring of career law enforcement officers.
• Promote crime reduction and problem solving by partnering with communities.
• Since 1994, the COPS Office has invested more than $7.5 billion through the CHP program to fund the hiring of 83,000 officers.

CHP KEY PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

• Eligibility: State, local and tribal agencies with primary law enforcement authority.
• Funds up to 75% of entry-level officer salary and approved fringe benefits costs over 3 years, up to a maximum of $125k per officer position.
• Minimum 25% local cash match required unless waiver of local match is granted.
• Funds must be used to supplement, not replace, local funds.
• Retention for minimum 12 months at conclusion of grant.
PURPOSE / BACKGROUND

- Designed to improve security at schools and on school grounds through evidence-based school safety programs – Funds may be used for:
  - Coordination with law enforcement
  - Training for local law enforcement officers to prevent student violence
  - Metal detectors, locks, lighting, and other deterrent measures
  - Technology for expedited notification of law enforcement during an emergency

SVPP KEY PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- Eligibility: States, Tribes, and local units of general government. Awards up to $500,000.
- Funds 75% of approved costs over a 2 year period years.
- Preferential consideration for jurisdictions with...
  - Demonstrated need for improved security
  - Demonstrated need for financial assistance
BLUE ALERT ACT - BACKGROUND

• Rafael Ramos and Wenjian Liu Blue Alert Act
• Named for two fallen NYPD officers ambushed in December 2014
• To encourage, enhance, and integrate Blue Alert plans throughout the United States

BLUE ALERTS

• Blue Alerts provide for rapid dissemination of information to law enforcement, media, and the public to aid in the apprehension of violent criminals when:
  • A law enforcement officer is killed or seriously injured in the line of duty; or
  • When an officer is missing in connection with official duties; or
  • An imminent and credible threat to cause the serious injury or death of a law enforcement officer is received.
• Blue Alerts can be transmitted via our nations Emergency Alert System (EAS), mobile devices (WEA), overhead highway signs, etc.
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