

# CTAS Orientation

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## SELECTED COPS OFFICE PROGRAMS

COPS Hiring Program  
School Violence Prevention Program  
National Blue Alert Network



**COPS**

*Community Oriented Policing Services*  
U.S. Department of Justice

## 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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