

## COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

Department of Criminal Justice Services

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## MEMO

## To: Criminal Justice Services Board Grants Committee From: Mr. Tracy Matthews, Manager, Law Enforcement Grants and Programs Date: September 27, 2022 Re: School Resource Officer/School Security Officer Incentive Grant Program

You have before you the awarded budgets for round two (2) and requested budgets for round three (3) for the School Resource Officer – School Security Officer Incentive Grant Program for FY23.

Round 2 totals \$8,656,008 in state funds with \$7,312,857 for SROs and \$1,343,151 for SSOs. This includes the funding of 6 continuation and 52 new grants, which funds a total of 100 SRO positions and 30 SSO positions in school divisions throughout the Commonwealth. Round 3 totals \$8,229,067 in state funds with \$5,578,248 for SROs and \$2,650,819 for SSOs. This includes the funding of 38 new applications which funds a total of 89 SRO positions and 65 SSO positions in school divisions throughout the Commonwealth.

Round 2 grants were awarded for a maximum period of 4 years (48 months) but reviewed annually for program compliance and budgeting. Continuation grantees will be funded for the balance of the 4 years, based on their current funding year.

Round 3 grants will start October 1, 2022 which will be a 9-month grant and will be awarded for a maximum of 45 months but reviewed annually for program compliance and budgeting.

This budget funds all the eligible continuation grants and most new applications, except 2 grants each round. The four (2: Second Round, 2: Third Round) of the new applications were ineligible due to supplanting concerns.

During the June meeting, the Criminal Justice Services Board approved a motion to allow Director Miller the authority to solicit grant proposals and make awards from the new funding and report these new grants to the Board at the meeting on October 13, 2022.

Round 3 applications are currently being negotiated to meet the requirements of the grant program and, therefore, the amounts may change. The applications will be awarded for a start date of October 1, 2022 and the updated information provided to the CJSB at the October meeting.

Additional information:

- Round 2 not funded:
  - Prince Edward (SRO)- ineligible
    - Supplanting Concerns: requested grant to help with funding for existing SROs.
  - o Rappahannock County (SRO)- ineligible
    - Supplanting Concerns: requested grant funds to replace local funding for SROs so the locality can fund patrol officers.
- Round 3 not recommended:
  - Rappahannock County (SRO)- ineligible
    - Supplanting Concerns: requested grant funds to replace local funding for SROs so the locality can fund patrol officers.
  - Charlotte County (SSO)- ineligible
    - Supplanting Concerns: requested grant funds to replace local funds recently allocated for two positions.