Dear superintendent, SSC and DPP, (superintendents and SSCs are blind copied by request) (Brian Bowland, please forward to our DPPs...thanks)
Please see the announcement below. Community Oriented Policing includes School Resource Officers. Only Police agencies can apply for this grant. I strongly recommend that you contact your local Law Enforcement agency to see if they are interested in applying for these funds and increasing the number of SROs in your school district.

COPS Hiring Program (CHP)

The 2022 COPS Hiring Program is a competitive grant program designed to provide funds directly to law enforcement agencies to hire new or rehire existing career law enforcement officers to increase their community policing capacity and crime prevention efforts. Anticipated outcomes of CHP awards include engagement in planned community partnerships, implementation of projects to analyze and assess problems, implementation of changes to personnel and agency management in support of community policing, and increased capacity of agencies to engage in community policing activities. All local, state, territorial, and tribal law enforcement agencies that have primary law enforcement authority are eligible to apply. Up to \$156.5 million is available for this program.

Applications are due by June 16, 2022 at 7:59 PM ET. Please click <u>here</u> for more information on the 2022 COPS Hiring Program.

*Grant questions can be answered by the COPS Office directly.

If we can assist you in any way, please feel free to contact me.

Best regards,



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