

**OFFICE OF SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT, OVERSIGHT AND RECOVERY**  
**Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items**  
**February 20-21, 2014**

**OFFICE OF SAFE AND ORDERLY SCHOOLS**

07. Approval to award competitive grants for the Mississippi Community Oriented Policing Services in Schools (MCOPS) grant program

Purpose: During the 2013 legislative session Section 37-3-82, Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated, established the Mississippi Community Oriented Policing Services Grant for the utilization of school resource officers (SRO) within the K-12 education system. The bill allocates up to \$10,000 per officer to pay the salary and benefits of school resource officers. The funding must be matched from local funds on a 50/50 matching basis.

Scope of Grant:

- Grant Period: February 21, 2014 - June 30, 2014
- Award Amount: \$630,000
- Number of Awards 63 Officers (Attachment 1)  
24 School Districts

Grant History:

In an effort to award the maximum number of grants the Mississippi Department of Education has provided multiple opportunities for school districts to apply. The State Board of Education approved in October 2013 awarding \$1,570,000 for 157 officers (Attachment 2) in 50 school districts. This grant period was for October 18, 2013 – June 30, 2014.

Funding Source: State funds, Section 37-3-82, Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated

This a one-time allocation provided by the Mississippi Legislature. Additional funding would be contingent upon approval by the Mississippi Legislature.

Summary of Selection Process:

A competitive grant selection process was utilized to award the grants.

MCOPS grants were awarded based on the personnel needs as determined by the local school district.

All applications received by the Mississippi Department of Education have been approved for funding.

Scoring Criteria:

- A. Description of Need (i.e., results from previous assessments, statistical data)
- B. Plan of Action (i.e., how will the SRO be utilized, proposed activities)
- C. Current Staff and Students (i.e., does the school have an SRO, student population, grades served)
- D. Current Limitations (i.e., limitations that exist to current law enforcement, lack of personnel, multiple schools, excessive response time)

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached

**Attachment 1****Mississippi Community Oriented Policing Services Grant  
(MCOPS)**

<b>District</b>	<b>Officers Funded</b>	<b>Award Amount</b>
Aberdeen School District	1	\$10,000
Bay St. Louis School District	1	\$10,000
Claiborne County School District	2	\$20,000
Clarksdale Municipal School District	5	\$50,000
Cleveland School District	4	\$40,000
Coahoma County School District	2	\$20,000
Columbia School District	1	\$10,000
East Jasper School District	1	\$10,000
Greenville Public School District	5	\$50,000
Kemper County School District	2	\$20,000
Lauderdale County School District	8	\$80,000
Leake County School District	2	\$20,000
Louisville Municipal School District	2	\$20,000
Lowndes County School District	4	\$40,000
Monroe County School District	3	\$30,000
Newton County School District	1	\$10,000
Newton Municipal School District	1	\$10,000
Oxford School District	5	\$50,000
Pontotoc County School District	3	\$30,000
Quitman School District	1	\$10,000
South Tippah School District	1	\$10,000
Stone County School District	2	\$20,000
Sunflower County School District	1	\$10,000
Vicksburg Warren School District	5	\$50,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>\$630,000</b>

**Attachment 2**

**Mississippi Community Oriented Policing Services Grant  
(MCOPS)**

<b>District</b>	<b>Officers Funded</b>	<b>Award Amount</b>
Aberdeen School District	2	\$20,000
Amory School District	1	\$10,000
Biloxi Public School District	3	\$30,000
Clinton Public School District	2	\$20,000
Columbus Municipal School District	6	\$60,000
Covington County School District	1	\$10,000
Durant Public School District	1	\$10,000
East Tallahatchie School District	2	\$20,000
Forest Municipal School District	1	\$10,000
Forrest County School District	2	\$20,000
Forrest County Agricultural High School	1	\$10,000
Franklin County School District	1	\$10,000
George County School District	2	\$20,000
Grenada School District	3	\$30,000
Gulfport School District	9	\$90,000
Hancock County School District	2	\$20,000
Harrison County School District	18	\$180,000
Hattiesburg Public School District	4	\$40,000
Hazlehurst City School District	1	\$10,000
Hinds County School District	10	\$100,000
Holly Springs School District	1	\$10,000
Holmes County School District	1	\$10,000
Jackson County School District	3	\$30,000
Jefferson County School District	1	\$10,000
Kosciusko School District	1	\$10,000
Lamar County School District	10	\$100,000
Laurel School District	5	\$50,000
Leflore County School District	2	\$20,000
Lumberton Public School District	1	\$10,000
Meridian Public School District	5	\$50,000
Moss Point School District	5	\$50,000
Neshoba County School District	2	\$20,000
New Albany School District	3	\$30,000
North Bolivar School District	1	\$10,000
North Panola School District	2	\$20,000
Ocean Springs School District	4	\$40,000
Pass Christian School District	3	\$30,000
Pearl River County School District	3	\$30,000
Perry County School District	1	\$10,000
Petal Public School District	5	\$50,000
Poplarville School District	1	\$10,000

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<b>District</b>	<b>Officers Funded</b>	<b>Award Amount</b>
Senatobia School District	3	\$30,000
Simpson County School District	1	\$10,000
South Panola School District	6	\$60,000
Starkville School District	1	\$10,000
Tishomingo County Schools	7	\$70,000
Water Valley School District	2	\$20,000
Wayne County School District	3	\$30,000
West Bolivar School District	1	\$10,000
West Jasper School District	1	\$10,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>\$1,570,000</b>