

Possible areas of funding for School Resource Officers (as of Feb. 2011)

A SROs Law enforcement agency and their school district typically split the cost of the time the officer is in the school, usually ten months out of the year. Can be any % division (50/50, 70/30, 90/10, etc). Both entities have a stake in keeping their community schools safe and usually will share the cost of a sworn police officer in their school. Double check with your chief or sheriff to determine if this funding arrangement could work for your SRO position.

Ohio Attorney General's Drug Use Prevention Grant-

Offered on an annual basis by the Ohio Attorney General. The Ohio AG's Office is empowered to administer a drug abuse resistance grant program funded through license reinstatement fees and the sale of impounded vehicles. *Ohio Revised Code Section 4511.191, (L)(2)(e)*. **Applicant Eligibility:** Agencies with school resources officers and/or D.A.R.E. officers who instruct qualifying **drug use prevention programs** (important qualifier) in Ohio's schools are eligible to apply for the funds. **Eligibility guidelines change so always check the AG's website for the most updated information. The application announcement date is April 1, 2011.

www.OhioAttorneyGeneral.gov/DrugUsePrevention

U.S. Department of Justice's Community Oriented Policing Program (COPS)

COPS Secure Our Schools (SOS) grant provides funding to state, local, or tribal governments to assist with the development of school safety resources. President Obama's budget proposal for **Fiscal Year 2011** has been released; however, there are several congressional phases before final approval. The President's budget request includes \$600 million for the COPS hiring program, a \$300 million increase from the hiring program being offered in 2010. These funds, in the form of competitive grants, will enable state, local, and tribal police agencies to enhance their community policing efforts and increase the number of officers available for targeted patrol and other proven strategies designed to prevent and reduce crime. You can find additional information on how the Fiscal Year 2011 budget proposal impacts state, local and tribal law enforcement at www.justice.gov/jmd/2011factsheets/ or by calling the COPS Office Response Center at 800.421.6770. Sample successful grant applications:

<http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/Default.asp?Item=2540#sosApp>

Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG)

Proposed to streamline justice funding and grant administration, the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG) allows states, tribes, and local governments to support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime based on their own local needs and conditions. SRO programs have applied for and received this grant funding. The Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services annually announces grant application process for the JAG grant, typically in the spring. Keep an eye on this website: <http://www.ocjs.ohio.gov/grants.stm#tog>

U.S. Department of Education ED.gov Office of Safe and Drug Free Schools (OSDFS) 84.184a Grants to reduce Alcohol abuse Program <http://www2.ed.gov/programs/dvpalcoholabuse/index.html> this program assists Local Education Agency's (LEA) in the development and implementation of innovative and effective alcohol abuse prevention programs for secondary school students. Up to 25 percent of funding may be reserved for grants to low-income and rural LEAs. Application Notice April 27, 2011/Application Deadline May 30, 2011.

Asset Forfeiture Monies- Check with your department regarding its use of asset forfeiture funds as described in ORC **SECTION 2981.13**. Check into the availability of this funding source if, as an SRO, you conduct programs to educate adults or children in the dangers of drug misuse or abuse and these monies are available in your county/department. Please read the ORC link below, particularly paragraph D. <http://codes.ohio.gov/orc/2981.13>

The Center for Health and Health Care in Schools

This Organization supports the good health of children and adolescents by working with parents, teachers, health professional and school administrators to strengthen successful health programs at school. See the website for grant information. www.healthinschools.org

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration SAMHSA

Campus Suicide Prevention: The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) is announcing the availability of up to \$5.5 million in funding for campus suicide prevention grant programs. These

grants will promote comprehensive approaches to preventing suicide in institutions of higher education throughout the nation. <http://www.samhsa.gov/newsroom/advisories/1012302123.aspx> **March 4, 2011 deadline**

Grants.gov

Check for the most recent Federal Grants available.

Ohio Department of Education

<http://www.ode.state.oh.us/GD/Templates/Pages/ODE/ODEDetail.aspx?page=3&TopicRelationID=81&ContentID=88422&Content=88422>