

Executive Summary

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| Grant Program | Florida Office of the Attorney General – Antiterrorism and Emergency Assistance Program |
| Status | New – Competitive |
| Funds Requested | \$12,996,903 (requested over 3 years) |
| Financial Impact Statement | The potential positive financial impact is \$12,996,903. The source of funds is the Florida Office of the Attorney General under a grant from the Office for Victims of Crime within the United States Department of Justice. There is no additional financial impact to the District. |
| Schools Included | Marjory Stoneman Douglas (MSD) High School Zone and other Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) and departments affected by the tragic shooting on February 14, 2018. |
| Managing Department/School | Student Support Initiatives and Recovery |
| Source of Additional Information | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Antoine L. Hickman, Ed.D., Chief Officer – Student Support Initiatives & Recovery Division 754-321-1660 2. Stephanie Williams-Louis, Director – Grants Administration (GA) 754-321-2260 |
| Project Description | <p>The Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) is part of the Office of Justice Programs in the US Department of Justice. Through the Florida Office of the Attorney General, OVC supports communities responding to terrorist attacks and mass violence.</p> <p>The Antiterrorism and Emergency Assistance Program (AEAP) is designed to supplement the available resources and services of entities responding to acts of terrorism or mass violence. An Antiterrorism Emergency Reserve was established in 1995. Funding is available for the following types of assistance through AEAP: 1) Crisis Response, 2) Consequence Management, 3) Criminal Justice Support, and 4) Crime Victim Compensation. AEAP grants are available by OVC invitation only. OVC encourages potential applicants to coordinate victim-related activities with other organizations.</p> <p>Broward County Public Schools (BCPS), along with the Children’s Services Council of Broward and the United Way of Broward, were invited to submit AEAP applications. Under BCPS’ application, the District is requesting funds to cover the salaries and fringe of, including but not limited, the following personnel to serve the schools in the MSD Zone:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 Program Manager (Community Engagement Liaison) • 1 Service Manager • 1 Social-Emotional Learning Supervisor • 6 Instructional Facilitators (SEL/504) assigned to various grade levels • 15 Support Counselors assigned to various grade levels • 3 Employee Assistance Program Counselor; • 1 Office Manager • 3 Family Therapists • 3 Transition Coaches • 3 ESE Specialists • 3 ESE Support Facilitators • 1 Psychologist <p>Funds will also cover, including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaboration with the National Center for School Crisis and Bereavement, the National Child Traumatic Stress Network, the Center for Mind-Body Medicine, and other service providers, |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training needed for youth mental health first aid, individual/family therapy for trauma care, mindfulness-based stress reduction/wellness, and similar areas • Events, facilitation and activities to restore a sense of community, team building, collaboration and family to the MSD Zone • Technology needs for new staff (laptops/desktops), and • Office supplies needed for new staff. <p>Draft AEAP applications were prepared by the various potential grantees and submitted to the OVC consultant on December 7, 2018. The OVC consultant will be reviewing and finalizing the applications for submission to OVC and the Florida Office of Attorney General.</p> |
| Evaluation Plan | Funds are awarded on a case-by-case basis, considering factors such as the availability of other resources (including Victims of Crime Act formula grant dollars); the severity of the impact; and the number of people suffering from physical, emotional, and psychological injury. Activities supported by AEAP are intended to complement services that available from other agencies and organizations as well as provide a base level of assistance for mass violence victims. |
| Research Methodology | The proposed personnel and activities align with recovery needs expressed by the MSD Zone and District departments. The District has received technical assistance from external experts, including but not limited to, the National Technical Assistance Center on Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports, the Center for School Mental Health at the University of Maryland’s School of Medicine, the National Center for School Crisis and Bereavement, and Sandy Hook’s Promise, among others. |
| Alignment with Strategic Plan | This grant aligns with District Strategic Plan Goal 1: High-Quality Instruction by seeking to restore an environment of mental health and wellness in which educators can provide instruction and District Strategic Plan Goal 2: Continuous Improvement by improving the school climate so staff can effectively manage, organize, and align resources. |
| Level of Support provided by GA | Level 3 – GA staff provided extensive departmental collaboration to develop the BCPS grant application and budget. GA drafted the executive summary for board approval and will track the grant in the system. |