



Questions and Answers

Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program (Byrne SCIP) / Dec - Local Pass Through (Direct)

Responses to questions will be posted to this document within 7 calendar days of receipt.

The deadline for receipt of written questions is **January 15, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.**

Please submit your questions to mbcc@mt.gov.

Q1: An option we're considering supporting our SRO training program and initiate co-responder training programs is:

- Purchase, implement, and train our schools on Emergent 3 (E3).
- E3 is a desktop and mobile device application to report any emergency or crisis.

This is not an existing program so we weren't sure if the purchase of E3 for our schools would be allowed.

A1: Your proposed program must support the following strategy:

Strategy: Assisting state, local, and tribal efforts to prevent or reduce crime and violence, with a particular focus on gun violence and the programs and initiatives that target the risk factors that are likely to lead to this kind of violence.

Your proposed program must also support one or more of the following goals/objectives:

1. Prioritize Byrne SCIP funds to initiate and support School Resource Officer (SRO) training programs.

To support SRO training related to gun violence and mental health.

- To support SRO training related to high-risk youth and youth in crisis.
- To support training to build SRO programs in communities and schools.
- To support SRO training in teen dating.

Funding SROs or personnel salaries, or fringe benefits for programs designated within Goal 1 above is not allowable.

Funding of SRO training to respond to an active shooter event in progress, is not allowable.

2. Prioritize Byrne SCIP funds to initiate and support school and community-based mental health, with a youth focus programs.



- To support programs related to high-risk youth and youth in crisis.
- To support evidence-based or best practice programs addressing this goal.

3. Prioritize Byrne SCIP funds to initiate co-responder training programs.

- To support police-based intervention that pairs trained police officers with mental health professionals.
- To train police paired with mental health providers responding to incidents involving individuals experiencing behavioral health crises.
- To train police paired with mental health providers or advocates in partnership with law enforcement responding to sexual and domestic violence incidents.

If you feel your proposed program supports the strategy and one or more of the goals above, I invite you to apply for Byrne SCIP funds.