



# School Safety National Activities

ESEA Title IV, Part F, Subpart 3, Section 4631



#### types of financial assistance

**available:** activities under the program may be carried out through grants, contracts, or cooperative agreements with public and private organizations or individuals, or through agreements with other Federal agencies.

#### Examples of projects funded previously—

grants to SEAs and LEAs for school climate transformation; grants to LEAs for prevention efforts to break the cycle of violence; grants to LEAs to promote student resilience; and training and technical assistance for schools, LEAs, and institutions of higher education to develop, implement, and improve their emergency management plans.



# Project School Emergency Response to Violence

(Project SERV): the Secretary must use a portion of the funds reserved for school safety national activities for Project SERV.



## eligibility for Project SERV: an

LEA, institution of higher education, or a school operated or funded by the Bureau of Indian Education in which the learning environment has been disrupted due to a violent or traumatic crisis.



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#### **Project SERV extended services grant**

**awards:** funds made available for extended services grants under Project SERV may be used by an eligible entity to initiate or strengthen violence prevention activities as part of the activities designed to restore the learning environment that was disrupted by the violent or traumatic crisis in response to which the grant was awarded.



### application requirements for an extended

services grant: grantees must include the following—(1) a demonstration of the need for funds due to a continued disruption or a substantial risk of disruption to the learning environment; (2) an explanation of the proposed activities that are designed to restore and preserve the learning environment; and (3) a budget and budget narrative for the proposed activities. For an eligible entity that has already received an extended services grant under Project SERV, the entity must submit an addition to the original application that meets the requirements described above.



current funding

**\$90** million FY 2018

(known as Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities National Activities under NCLB)

#### purpose: to

support activities that improve students' safety and well-being both during and after



the school day, with an emphasis on promoting overall school safety and positive school environments. The reauthorization also incorporated the longstanding Project School Emergency Response to Violence (Project SERV) program into the ESEA. Project SERV provides education-related services—including counseling and referral to mental health services as needed—to LEAs and institutions of higher education in which the learning



environment has been disrupted by a violent or traumatic crisis.