

Profiles of Recently Opened Statewide School Safety Centers

| STATES | BUDGET | FUNDING SOURCE | AGENCY LOCATION | LEGISLATIVE MANDATES | FOCUS |
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| COLORADO | \$400,000 | LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATION | CO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assist schools in developing safety plans • Conduct regular research assessments • Determine effectiveness of local policies and programming • Make info available to schools and school officials • Provide services to five pilot sights | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Assist schools in preventing, responding to and recovering from emergencies. ○ Assessing, planning, implementing and evaluating the work of the center using evidence-based strategies |
| TEXAS | \$1.5 MILLION | INITIALLY PASS THROUGH FUNDS FROM GOVERNOR'S OFFICE, AS OF 2007 LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATION | TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct for school districts a safety training program • Develop a model safety and security audit for use by school districts • May provide on-site technical assistance • Develop and maintain an interactive internet website • Sponsor a student essay contest • Provide for the public recognition of schools that implement effective school safety measures and violence prevention • Promote cooperation between state agencies institutions of higher learning to address discipline and safety issues in the state | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A central location for school safety information, including research, training, and technical assistance related to successful school safety programs ○ A resource for the prevention of youth violence and the promotion of safety in the state. |
| MINNESOTA | \$550,000 | FEDERAL BUREAU OF JUSTICE GRANT AND OSDFS FUNDS | MN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY | None | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Provide help to districts regarding implementing crisis response and school safety policy ○ Offer regional training sessions on a variety of topics, including threat assessment and psychological first aid ○ Training for school support staff and mental health providers on cognitive behavioral interventions for trauma in schools ○ Organize the School Safety Conference ○ Establish a web site with on-line resources |