

**Priority:** Safety  
**Program Offer Type:** Innovative/New Program  
**Related Programs:**

**Lead Agency:** Sheriff  
**Program Contact:** Brett Elliott

**Program Characteristics:**

**Executive Summary**

This new program offer is to fund a School Resource Officer (SRO) with the Corbett School District. SRO's provide law enforcement protection and early intervention to schools for at-risk parents and children. Deputies provide educational programs to juveniles as a first level approach to the public safety system. The program is a conduit between schools, law enforcement and the county social service system as a whole. A state certified Deputy Sheriff who is permanently assigned to provide coverage to the Corbett Elementary and High School communities. The SRO is specifically trained to perform three roles: law enforcement officer; law-related counselor; and law-related education teacher.

**Program Description**

Activities would include: illegal drug enforcement, prevention and education, providing resources for guiding and intervening with at-risk high school students by supporting their teachers and parents, intervening in the exploitation, molestation and physical abuse of children and assisting their families. Educational programs provided stem from basic legal knowledge, traffic law, drunk driving and potential results, basic vehicle operation, drug use and the effects of person to person crimes and the effects on society. Partnerships include schools, Services to Children and Families, city, county and federal enforcement agencies.

The impetus for putting SROs into the schools, of course, revolves around their law enforcement role. Law enforcement defines the training and describes the experience of the sheriffs' deputies who typically serve as SROs. When asked about the assignment in the schools, our SROs indicated that they spend 50 percent of their time on law enforcement duties, including such activities as foot patrols of their school campuses and site inspections to ensure the safety and security of their schools. Reflective of the importance of this role is that we usually wear law enforcement uniforms during school hours and while attending after school functions. In Corbett, residents who may not call 911 instead utilize the SRO as a community LE officer and bring traffic complaints, information about suspicious persons/vehicles, and typical public safety concerns directly to the Deputy. Thirty percent of the SROs' time is spent fulfilling their law-related counseling role. Our SRO maintains an "open-door" policy when it comes to interacting with students. This helps them fulfill their law-related counseling role. A typical number of five formal "counseling" sessions per week was identified. Additionally, our SROs often refer students to other service agencies if additional assistance is needed.

**Program Justification**

SRO's support several aspects of the Safety Priority by identifying and understanding the community's priorities and responding; collaborating and sharing information with partners in the community and public safety system; and contributes to assuring safe environments. The program supports a safe school environment, including working with at risk children in the schools and through their families, plus providing classes addressing drug use. These deputies provide the first necessary step toward intervention. They are not only a stabilizing force for youth, but in many cases are role models for the students. This program introduces needed social service programs offered by the County which under normal circumstances would never reach those in need.

**Performance Measures**

Measure Type	Primary Measure	Previous Year Actual (FY05-06)	Current Year Purchased (FY06-07)	Current Year Estimate (FY06-07)	Next Year Offer (FY07-08)
Output	Corbett: Number of student and parent contacts	1,500	0	1,500	1,550
Outcome	Corbett: Number of hours spent in classroom instruction	180	0	180	180

**Performance Measure - Description**

 **Measure Changed**

The primary measures are based on projected numbers. These measures were not used during the last budget, therefore there is no current year purchased data shown.

**Legal/Contractual Obligation**

**Revenue/Expense Detail**

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
<b>Program Expenses</b>	2007	2007	2008	2008
Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$73,478	\$0
Contracts	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Internal Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Capital Outlay	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$73,478</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Administration	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Program Support	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Subtotal: Other Exps:	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Total GF/non-GF:	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$73,478</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Program Total:	<b>\$0</b>		<b>\$73,478</b>	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.75	0.00
<b>Program Revenues</b>				
Fees, Permits & Charges	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other / Miscellaneous	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Revenue:</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Explanation of Revenues**

**Significant Program Changes**

**Last year this program was:** #60027B, MCSO School Resource Officer: Corbett School District  
 Speeding in the school zones (both high school and k-8) has been a significant problem not encountered at same level during previous work by MCSO in 04-05 school year.

Community Contacts will also be tracked because the SRO becomes a community resource which is unique (the Deputy takes a multi-pronged role when compared to fellow SRO's who exist within a larger student population).