School Safety/Well Being (2SHB 1216)

1. **Purpose:**

RCW 28A.310.510 calls for the each of the nine (9) Educational Service Districts (ESDs) to establish a regional school safety center. The regional school safety centers work in collaboration with one another and the lead state school safety center form a statewide network for school safety. The purpose of this statewide network is to provide coordination of school safety efforts throughout the state and to provide school safety resources to the school districts in each educational service district region.

2. **Description of services provided:**

\$1,268,000 is allocated annually to the ESDs to fund an FTE for a Threat Assessment Coordinator to assist school districts in the coordination of School-Based Threat Assessment Programs. Coordinators are required to:

- Provide training and technical assistance to districts regarding the use of the WSSDA model policy (3225) and procedure (3225P) to establish a schoolbased threat assessment program;
- Assist with ongoing identification and implementation of best practices for school-based threat assessment programs

Build partnerships with community partners, such as behavioral health providers, law enforcement agencies, emergency responders, juvenile justice organizations, and child welfare agencies, for the purpose of implementing school-based threat assessment programs that comply with best practices.

3. Criteria for receiving services and/or grants:

Funding is equally distributed to all nine (9) of the Educational Service Districts.

Beneficiaries in 2019-20 School Year:

Number of School Districts: 0
Number of Schools: 0
Number of Students: 0
Number of Educators: 0
Other: FSD's 9

Number of OSPI staff associated with this funding (FTEs): 0.0

Number of contractors/other staff associated with this funding: 0.0

FY20 Funding: State Appropriation: \$1,268,000

Federal Appropriation: \$0 **Other fund sources:** \$0

TOTAL (FY20) \$1,268,000

4. Are federal or other funds contingent on state funding?

⊠ No

☐ Yes, please explain.

5. **State funding history:**

Fiscal Year	Amount Funded	Actual Expenditures
FY20	\$1,268,000	\$1,267,992

6. Number of beneficiaries (e.g., school districts, schools, students, educators, other) history:

Nine (9) – Educational Service Districts (ESD)

7. Programmatic changes since inception (if any):

None

8. Evaluations of program/major findings:

The ESDs were successful in their provision of training and assistance to schools and districts in Washington state.

- 106 Level I Threat Assessment trainings were provided to representatives from 628 Washington schools.
- 348 Level I Threat Assessments were completed.
- The ESDs worked in close collaboration with OSPI to assist in in the implementation of School-Based Threat Assessment Programs for the 2020/2021 school year.

9. **Major challenges faced by the program:**

The Coronavirus pandemic and the closure of schools led to a change in format for training and assistance in School-Based Threat Assessment. ESDs moved trainings and collaboration to a virtual platform to accommodate the social distancing requirements.

10. Future opportunities:

The work of the ESDs in the 2019/2020 school year has moved implementation of School-Based Threat Assessment forward to assist districts in meeting the requirements under 2SHB-1216 which go into effect for the 2020/2021 school year. With on-going virtual learning across the state, ESDs will continue to expand and alter training and collaboration with districts and stakeholders to meet the current need and learning environment.

In the 2020 budget these funds we directly allocated to the ESD and future funding will be direct allocations rather than grants from OSPI.

11. Statutory and/or budget language:

ESSB 6168 Sec. 501 (4)(f)(iii) - \$1,268,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2020 is provided solely to educational service districts for implementation of Second Substitute House Bill No. 1216 (school safety and well-being).

12. Other relevant information:

N/A

13. Schools/districts receiving assistance:

See OSPI's Grantee List

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