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SUBJECT: Center Grove Receives \$50,000 State Grant for School Resource Officer
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CENTER GROVE, IN (November 4, 2013)—The State of Indiana awarded Center Grove Community School Corporation a \$50,000 grant through its Secured School Safety Grant Program.

Center Grove schools will use the grant to cover the costs of its school resource officers (SRO). The district's police department includes three full-time SROs and a K-9 drug-detecting dog.

"We are really pleased to receive this grant," said Dr. Bill Long, assistant superintendent of Center Grove schools. "Keeping our students and staff safe is a high priority for Center Grove. This grant will help us cover a substantial portion of those costs."

The Center Grove grant was among \$9 million in funding approved by the Indiana Secured School Safety Board for award to local schools and school corporations. To qualify for a \$50,000 grant, the school or coalition must have an average daily membership of at least 1,000 students.

The Secured School Safety Grant Program is a dedicated fund that provides matching grants to school corporations, charter schools, or coalitions of school corporations and/or charter schools applying jointly to employ a school resource officer, conduct a threat assessment, and/or purchase equipment to restrict access to the school or expedite the notification of first responders.

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