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PREFACE

This annual Census report is the product of a collaborative effort among the Department of Public Instruction, Center for Safer Schools and the multiple law enforcement agencies that willfully support the mission of school safety through the deployment of school resource officers (SROs). The information contained herein is the result of anonymous surveys distributed to each public-school unit and will be used to help identify potential needs such as funding and training advancements for SROs.

This report is submitted in furtherance of legislation established under Session Law 2019-222 as contained in House Bill 75.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

School resource officers (SROs) are law enforcement officers who are assigned to work within the school setting. Officers have the jurisdiction to make arrests and conduct investigations on school grounds; however, these duties account for only a fraction of the functions they perform.

The SRO program is a vital part of any department's community policing philosophy, beginning with the trust that students gain by interacting with an officer. Such relationships can be extremely important in preventing threats of any sort on and off campus.

School resource officers are also called upon to provide some legal or civics lessons to students, teachers and administrators in classroom environments. SROs not only provide a level of deterrence on a school campus, but they also assist the school and first responders to prepare safety canvases of the campus and to plan and prepare for potential critical incidents on campus.

Selecting officers suitable to become SROs is an important first step. Officers should be good at communicating with youth and have a desire to work with school-aged children and youth. They should also be comfortable working in school environments where they will work independently with little to no supervision and where school administration might not fully understand their sworn responsibilities to their sheriff or police chief.

Although they work on a school campus, their primary role is that of a law enforcement officer who uses professional discretion and recognizes the differences between school policy and state law. This discretion is necessary to eliminate unnecessary law enforcement contact with students.

The SRO should not be involved in the enforcement of any school policy. Using discretion to either act or observe helps lessen any threat that might be felt by school administrators due to the SRO's presence.

It is also vital for school administrators to properly utilize the SRO. Schools and school systems generally deal with the delineation of authority through memorandums of understanding (MOUs) with the law enforcement agencies providing the SRO to the schools. These MOUs spell out the expectations of the role of an SRO within the school environment. An assignment as an SRO might be a step in the professional development of a law enforcement officer. To achieve promotion through the departmental ranks, an officer might be required to serve time in many different agency roles – from patrol officer to SRO to investigator – to gain rank, senior status and the salary that such rank provides.

An officer who desires to continue as an SRO for more than a few years might lose the opportunity to move up in their agency's ranks. This dilemma might prevent many officers who are highly effective in the school setting from remaining as SROs. However, some agencies recognize the advantages of having professional officers who can remain in specific assignments for extended periods and allow for rank and command progression within those roles.

RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

In September 2023, the Center for Safer Schools contacted the school safety directors in all public-school units across North Carolina requesting that they send the survey directly to the SROs serving in their schools. In January 2024, the survey was closed.

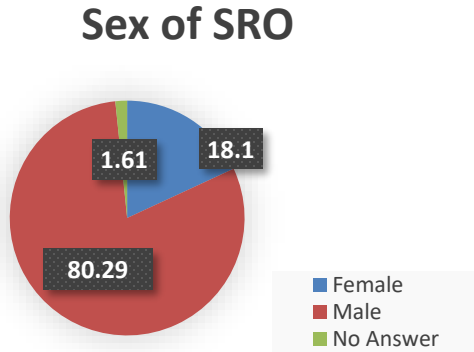
Based on the fluidity of the SRO, there is not an exact SRO count. There is an estimated 1,500 SROs in the state; however, there were 2,446 officers who completed the mandatory SRO training. Please note that there might be officers who are not employed as an SRO who attend the mandatory training.

Of the SROs employed, we received 865 responses in this census, compared to 1,069 last year. While some additional operational questions were asked, House Bill 75 required the collection of the following information: Age, Years of Law Enforcement Experience, What department they work for, Number of SROs in each Public-School Unit, Education levels, Years of SRO Experience, Funding Source, Location of SROs, Percent of SROs assigned to 1 school and Law Enforcement Affiliation.

2024 SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER CENSUS

Q1: WHAT IS YOUR SEX?

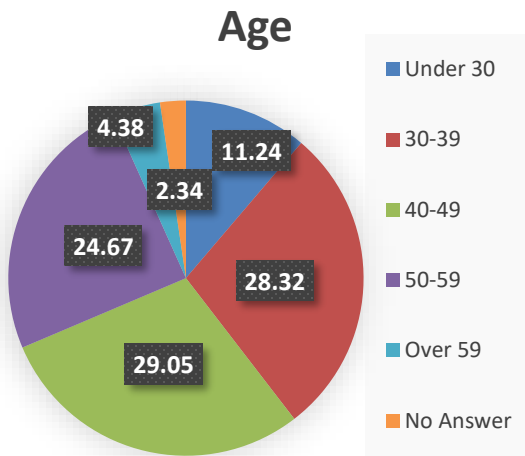
SROs who responded are 80% male, while 18% are female. The number of female SROs remained at 18% since the 2023 census.



#		%	Count
1	Female	18.1%	124
2	Male	80.29%	550
4	Prefer not to answer	1.61%	11
	Total	100%	685

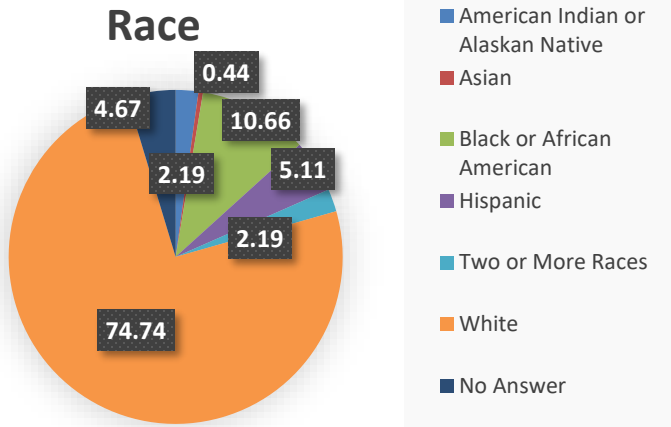
Q2: WHAT IS YOUR AGE?

Question 2 details that most SROs are over the age of 30, with 199 of the 865 responding between 30-39 years of age.



#	Age	Under 30	30-39	40-49	50-59	Over 59	No Answer
1	Field	77	194	199	169	30	16

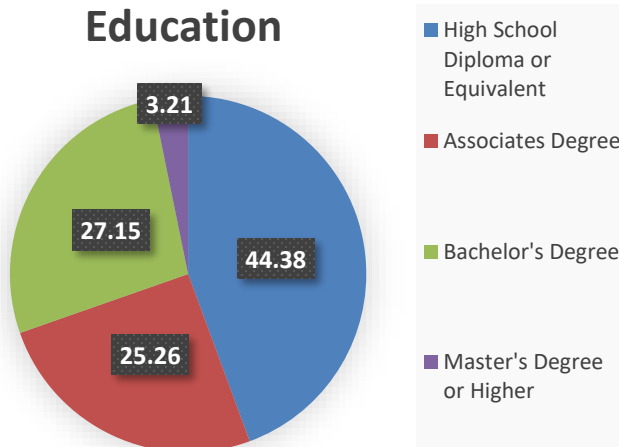
Q3: WHAT IS YOUR RACE? SELECT ONE OR MORE.



#	Answer	%	Count
1	American Indian or Alaska Native	2.19%	15
2	Asian	.44%	3
3	Black or African American	10.66%	73
4	Hispanic	5.11%	35
5	Two or More Races	2.19%	15
6	White	74.74%	512
7	Prefer not to answer	4.67%	32
	Total	100%	685

Q4: WHAT IS THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF EDUCATION THAT YOU HAVE COMPLETED?

While it is a requirement that every law enforcement officer have a high school diploma for hiring purposes in any law enforcement agency, not all officers have college degrees or higher. According to the 2024 Census results, 44.38% had high school diplomas, while the results show the majority of the respondents have either a two- or four-year degree. Only 3% had a master's degree or higher.

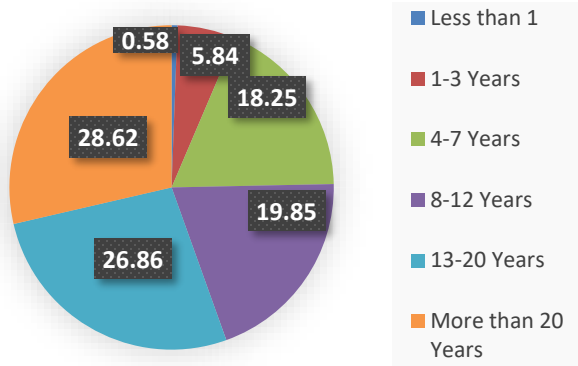


#	Answer	%	Count
1	High school diploma or equivalent	44.38%	304
2	Two-year vocational school or community college (Associates Degree)	25.26%	173
3	Four-year college/university degree (Bachelor's Degree)	27.15%	186
4	Master's Degree or higher	3.21%	22
	Total	100%	685

Q5: HOW MANY YEARS HAVE YOU BEEN A SWORN LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER?

As you can tell from the information below, the majority of SROs are experienced officers with more than 13 years of experience.

Years as LEO

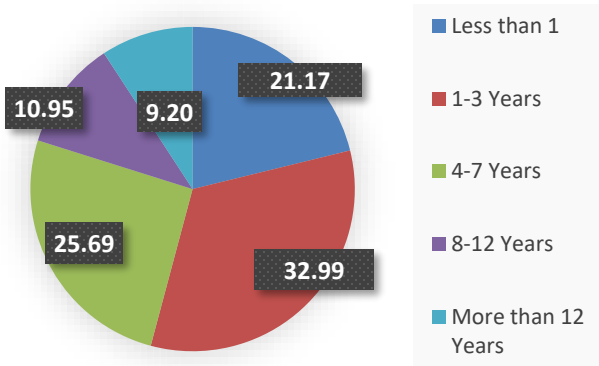


#	Answer	%	Count
1	Less than 1 year	.58%	4
2	1 - 3 years	5.84%	40
3	4 - 7 years	18.25%	125
4	8 - 12 years	19.85%	136
5	13 - 20 years	26.86%	184
6	More than 20 years	28.62%	196
	Total	100%	685

Q6: HOW MANY YEARS HAVE YOU SERVED AS A SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER (SRO)?

Upon the recommendation from the CFSS, we promote placing officers as SROs who want to be in the schools and interact with the students. As you can tell from the information below, the majority of SROs are new to the position.

Years as SRO

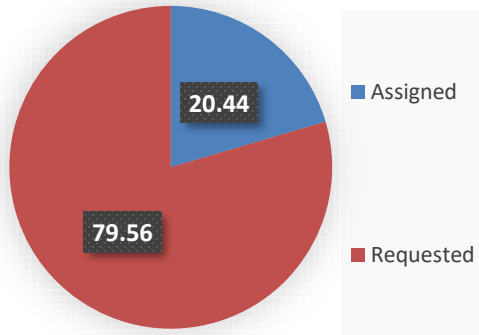


#	Answer	%	Count
1	Less than 1 year	21.17%	145
2	1 to 3 years	32.99%	226
3	4 to 7 years	25.69%	176
4	8 to 12 years	10.95%	75
5	More than 12 years	9.20%	63
	Total	100%	685

Q7: HOW DID YOU BECOME AN SRO?

Placement of an officer or deputy into a role such as SRO is an important decision. Since the Center for Safer Schools' inception in 2013, we have stressed the importance of placing an SRO who wants to be in a school and working with youth as opposed to "having to be" in the assignment. The majority of our SROs in the schools have requested the assignment.

Becoming an SRO

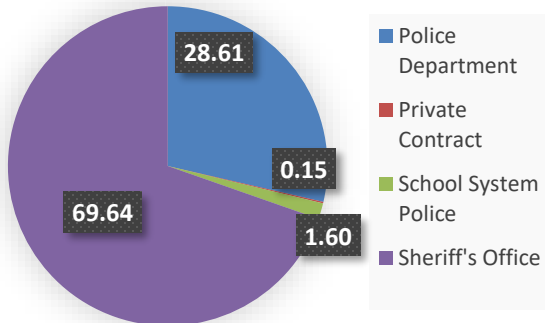


#	Answer	%	Count
1	Assigned by my agency/organization	20.44%	140
2	Requested the assignment	79.56%	545
	Total	100%	685

Q8: WHICH TYPE OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY DO YOU WORK FOR?

While sheriff's offices staff many schools throughout the state, local police departments provide staffing for the SRO position as well. The below illustration represents those statistics and identifies other categories such as School System Police Agencies and Private Contractors. Some larger school districts, such as Wake County, utilize 23 different law enforcement agencies to cover their schools using both municipal officers (Raleigh PD, Cary PD, for example) as well as the Wake County Sheriff's Department.

Type of Agency

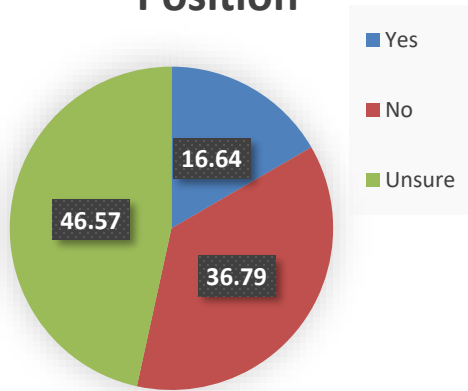


#	Answer	%	Count
1	Police Department	28.61%	196
2	Private Contracted Organization	.15%	1
3	School System Police Agency	1.60%	11
4	Sheriff's Office	69.64%	477
	Total	100%	685

Q9: IS YOUR POSITION A GRANT-FUNDED POSITION FROM THE NC DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION?

In 2013, the N.C. General Assembly provided a \$7 million grant to fund elementary and middle school SRO positions throughout the state. There were 210 SROs employed under this recurring grant at that time. In 2018, the General Assembly added an additional \$5 million to the original grant for distribution throughout the state. In 2022, the General Assembly increased funding to \$33 million and was able to fund 801 SROs statewide for elementary and middle schools for this two-year grant. Funding is awarded through an application process where districts and charter schools apply for funding based on their individual needs. There is a mandated match that is required to receive funding. Each application is scored based on the rubric provided in the grant application, and applications are scored twice. The scores are then compared for continuity. Award letters are sent to the applicant informing them of the award received. The SRO might not be aware of the funding source that provides the SRO to the school.

Grant Funded Position



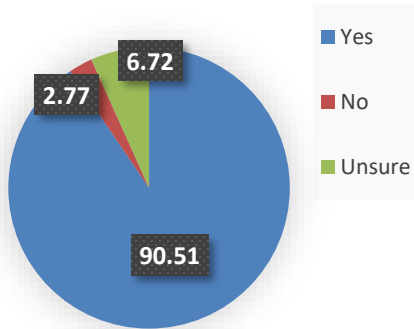
#	Answer	%	Count
1	Yes	16.64%	114
2	No	36.79%	252
3	Unsure	46.57%	319
	Total	100%	685

(See Appendix A for the SRO Grant award breakdown.)

Q10: DOES YOUR AGENCY HAVE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) THAT DETAILS THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE SRO AND SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS?

The CFSS suggests a written MOU between each SRO and the school administrators that outlines expectations, duties and requirements from both parties. We suggest that the MOU is reviewed each year by both the SRO and school administrator as part of back-to-school preparations. This helps prevent miscommunication and provides an understanding of expectations. The data below reflects that the majority SROs and schools have MOUs in place.

MOU In Place

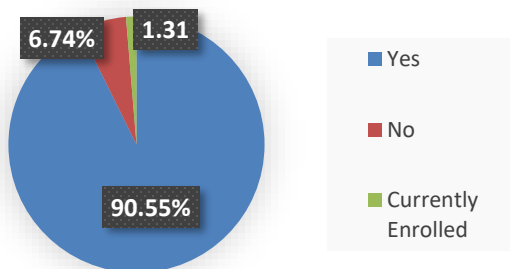


#	Answer	%	Count
1	Yes	90.51%	620
2	No	2.77%	19
3	Unsure	6.72%	46
	Total	100%	685

Q11: HAVE YOU COMPLETED THE MANDATORY NC JUSTICE ACADEMY'S BASIC SRO TRAINING PROGRAM?

This training is taught by the N.C. Justice Academy with support now from local community colleges. The initial training is 40 hours long and gives the officer or deputy the basic tools he or she needs to enter the education environment as a law enforcement officer and be successful. Each SRO must take the mandatory SRO Inservice annually (1 hour). Most officers complete this training within the first year as legislated. More than 90% of respondents to this survey indicated they have attended this school.

Completed the Basic SRO Training Program



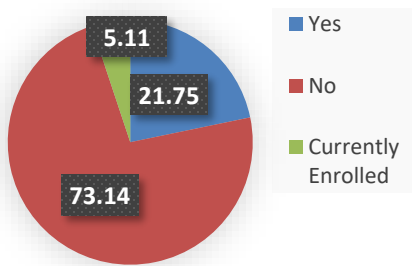
#	Answer	%	Count
1	Yes	92.70%	635
2	No	5.99%	41
3	Currently Enrolled	1.31%	9
	Total	100%	685

Q12: HAVE YOU COMPLETED THE NC JUSTICE ACADEMY’S ADVANCED SRO CERTIFICATE PROGRAM?

The School Resource Officer Certificate Program is designed specifically for School Resource Officers who have a desire to increase their training experience and credentials but is not mandatory. The total requirement for completion of the program is 400 class hours.

- Core Classes (80 hours)
- School Resource Officer Training (40 hours)
- School Resource Officer Ethics – Online (32 hours)
- Any Law-Based Course (8 hours or more)
- Electives (320 hours)
 - Any law enforcement course taught and/or coordinated by the North Carolina Justice Academy can be used to fulfill the elective balance.
- All NCJA-coordinated conferences may be utilized (NCASRO, NCGIA, NCJOA, etc.).
- A maximum of 30% of the 400 hours can be accepted from outside sources provided they are vetted by the Program Administrator.
- All course work must have been completed no more than 10 years prior to the conferment of the certification.

Advanced Certificate Completion

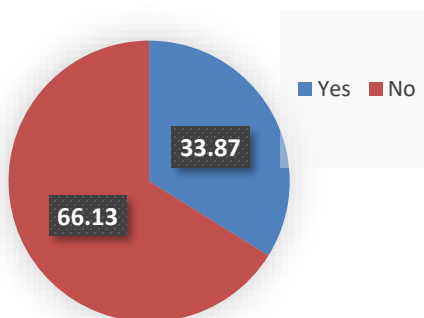


#	Answer	%	Count
1	Yes	21.75%	149
2	No	73.14%	501
3	Currently Enrolled	5.11%	35
	Total	100%	685

Q13: HAVE YOU COMPLETED ANY ADVANCED SRO TRAINING SINCE 2022-2023 SURVEY?

It is important to note that most law enforcement training can be applied to the SRO position. The Advanced SRO Training Certificate Program is not mandatory but is a way to celebrate those who go above and beyond in their training.

Recently Trained



#	Answer	%	Count
1	Yes	33.87%	232
2	No	66.13%	453
	Total	100%	685

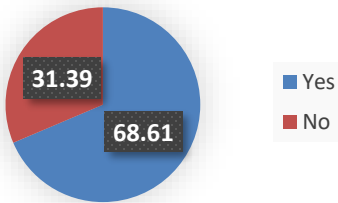
Q14: HAVE YOU COMPLETED CRISIS INTERVENTION TEAM (CIT) TRAINING?

Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training is a community partnership designed to train law enforcement and first responders who encounter individuals experiencing a behavioral health crisis. With proper training, we can better help individuals get access to appropriate treatment and resources, rather than be placed in the criminal justice system or hospital emergency room.

The training has two fundamental goals: improve officer and citizen safety, and help individuals in a behavioral health crisis receive appropriate help.

The training is designed to help law enforcement identify the signs and symptoms of a behavioral health crisis and how to safely de-escalate the situation. Statistics have shown that communities with a CIT program in place have a decrease in serious and fatal incidents involving individuals with behavioral health issues, officers and the public. Other benefits include positive relationships within the community; improved response to behavioral health crisis calls; safer interventions and reduced unnecessary arrests or use of force; and more efficient use of criminal justice resources.

CIT Trained

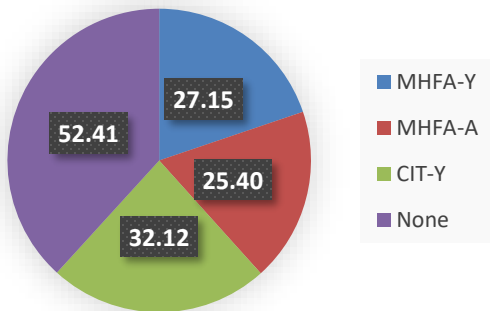


#	Answer	%	Count
1	Yes	68.61%	470
2	No	31.39%	215
	Total	100%	685

Q15: HAVE YOU COMPLETED ANY OF THE FOLLOWING TRAINING? (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)

To increase their effectiveness as an SRO, there are trainings that can help prepare an officer in dealing with someone having a mental health crisis.

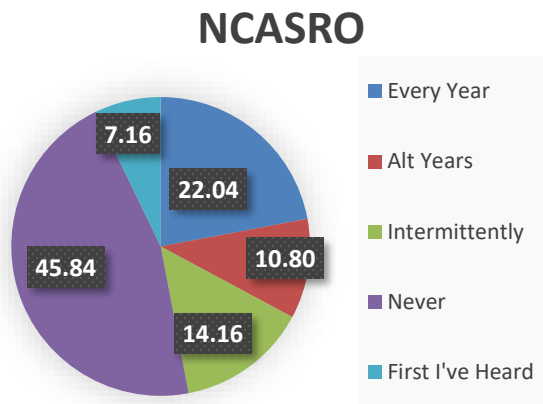
Training Completed



#	Yes Answer	%	Count
1	Mental Health First Aid for Youth	27.15%	186
2	Mental Health First Aid for Adults	25.40%	174
3	Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) - Youth	32.12%	220
4	None of the Above	52.41%	359

Q16: HOW OFTEN DO YOU ATTEND THE NC ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS (NCASRO) CONFERENCE?

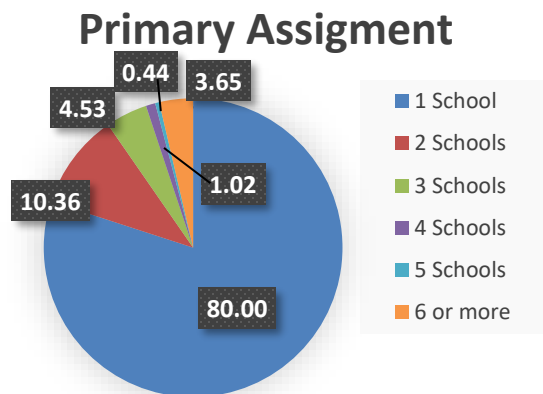
Note that training budgets for most departments remain low and unfortunately not all training requests can be honored as seen below. 45% of SROs who responded to this Census have never been to the SRO conference. The conference is held in the summer, but a high number of officers are assigned back to patrol or other duties for the summer.



#	Answer	%	Count
1	Every year	22.04%	151
2	Alternating years	10.80%	74
3	Intermittently	14.16%	97
4	Never	45.84%	314
5	First I have heard of it	7.16%	49
	Total	100%	685

Q17: HOW MANY SCHOOLS ARE YOU PRIMARILY ASSIGNED TO AS AN SRO?

Although it is optimal to be able to assign an SRO to only one school, an SRO assignment is often dependent on departmental staffing. While the high majority of SROs are assigned to high schools, they are also assigned to schools as determined by community trends and need. Middle and elementary SROs generally share multiple schools, but it is not uncommon to have a high school SRO assigned to a nearby feeder school such as an elementary or middle school. While 80% of SROs are assigned to one school, the percentage has increased since the last Census.

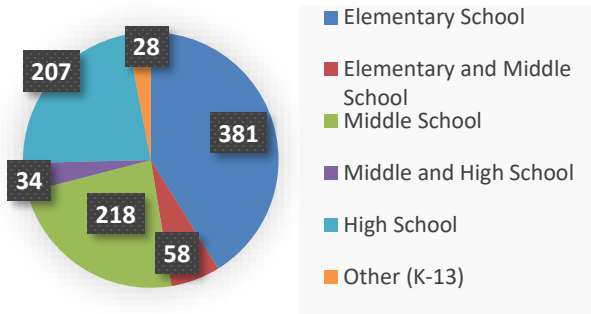


#	Answer	%	Count
1	1 school	80%	548
2	2 schools	10.36%	71
3	3 schools	4.53%	31
4	4 schools	1.02%	7
5	5 schools	.44%	3
6	6 or more schools	3.65%	25
	Total	100%	685

Q18: TYPE OF SCHOOL(S) YOU ARE PRIMARILY ASSIGNED.

The majority of SROs who responded to the census are assigned to Elementary Schools. The SRO Grant funds SROs for Elementary and Middle Schools.

Type of School Assigned

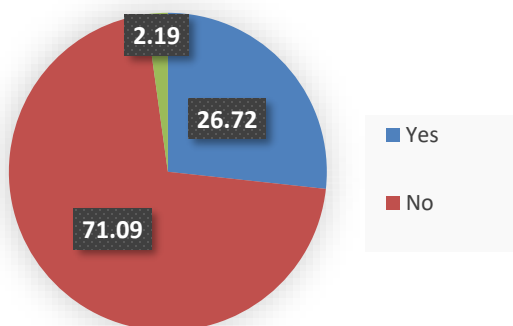


#	Answer	Number of Schools
1	Elementary School	381
2	Elementary and Middle School	58
3	Middle School	218
4	Middle and High School	34
5	High School	207
6	Other (K-13)	28

Q19: DO YOU PERFORM OTHER DUTIES OUTSIDE YOUR OFFICIAL SRO DUTIES AT ANY OF THE SCHOOLS WHERE YOU ARE ASSIGNED, SUCH AS COACHING A SPORT OR MENTORING A SCHOOL CLUB?

SROs often perform additional duties that enable them to mentor and interact with the students in a positive way.

Other Duties

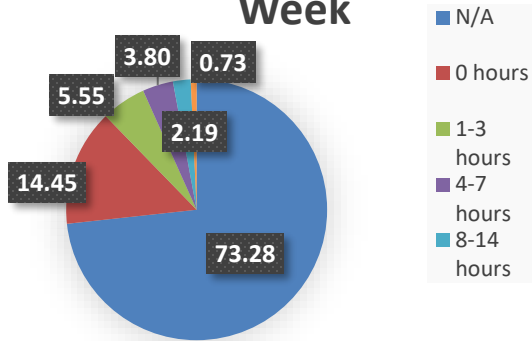


#	Answer	%	Count
1	Yes	26.72%	183
2	No	71.09%	487
3	No Response	2.19%	15
	Total	100%	685

Q20: OF THE HOURS OF NON-SRO DUTIES THAT YOU PERFORM EACH WEEK, HOW MANY ARE UNPAID?

Some SROs volunteer at their respective schools, even if they are not financially compensated for their time.

Unpaid Working Time a Week

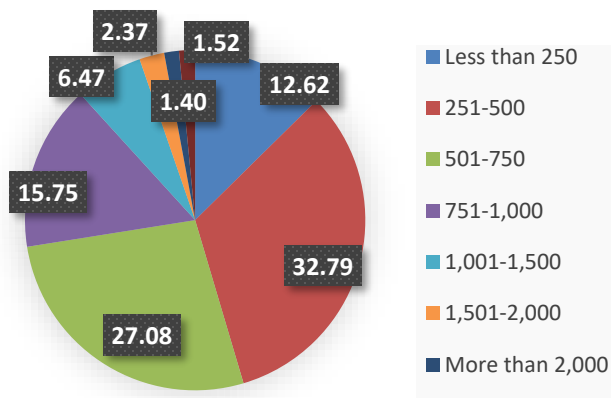


#	Answer	%	Frequency
1	N/A	73.28%	502
2	0 hours	14.45%	99
2	1-3 hours	5.55%	38
3	4-7 hours	3.80%	26
4	8-14 hours	2.19%	15
5	15 or more hours	.73%	5

Q21: HOW MANY STUDENTS ARE AT THE SCHOOL WHERE YOU ARE PRIMARILY ASSIGNED?

Most schools who have SROs have between 251-500 students.

Number of Students

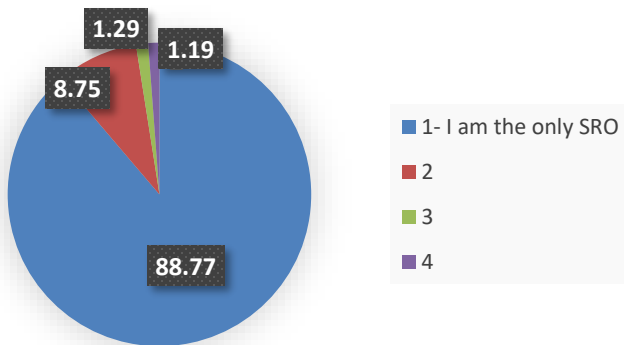


#	Answer	%	Count
1	Less than 250	12.62%	117
2	251-500	32.79%	304
3	501-750	27.08%	251
4	751-1,000	15.75%	146
5	1,001-1,500	6.47%	60
6	1,501-2,000	2.37%	22
7	More than 2,000	1.40%	13
8	Missing Information	1.52%	14
	Total	100%	927

Q22: HOW MANY SROS ARE ASSIGNED TO YOUR PRIMARY SCHOOL?

Over 88% of schools with SROs have only one SRO.

Number of SROs Assigned

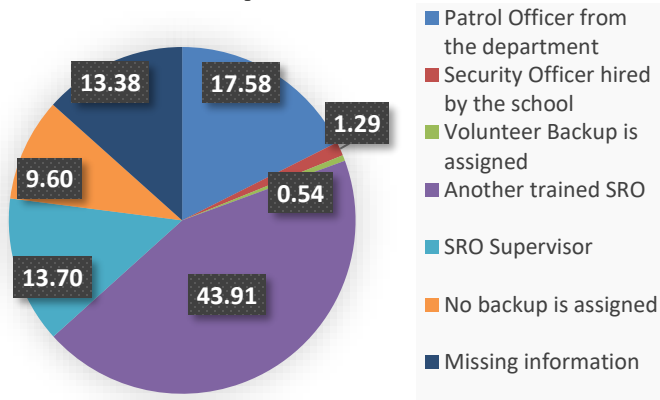


#	Answer	%	Count
1	1- I am the only SRO	88.77%	822
2	2	8.75%	81
3	3	1.29%	12
4	4	1.19%	11
	Total	100%	926

Q23: WHO IS YOUR BACKUP WHEN YOU ARE AWAY FROM THE SCHOOL?

SROs are sometimes called to testify at court, call out sick and utilize vacation. When this occurs, there must be a backup plan in place to support the schools. It is reported that over 43% are covered by other trained SROs. SROs must be certified and have arresting powers.

Backup Information



#	Answer	%	Count
1	Patrol Officer from the department	17.58%	163
2	Security Officer hired by the school	1.29%	12
3	Volunteer Backup is assigned	.54%	5
4	Another trained SRO	43.91%	407
5	SRO Supervisor	13.70%	127
6	No backup is assigned	9.60%	89
7	Missing information	13.38%	124
	Total	100%	927

Q24: IS THERE A DIFFERENCE IN TYPE OF AGENCY?

It was reported that in police departments, 33% of the time, the backup is a patrol officer; 40% of the time, it is another trained SRO. The sheriff's office reports that 12% of the time, the backup is a patrol officer; 44% of the time, it is another trained SRO.

Q25: WHAT TYPE OF TRAINING WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE THAT WOULD BENEFIT YOU THE MOST AS AN SRO?

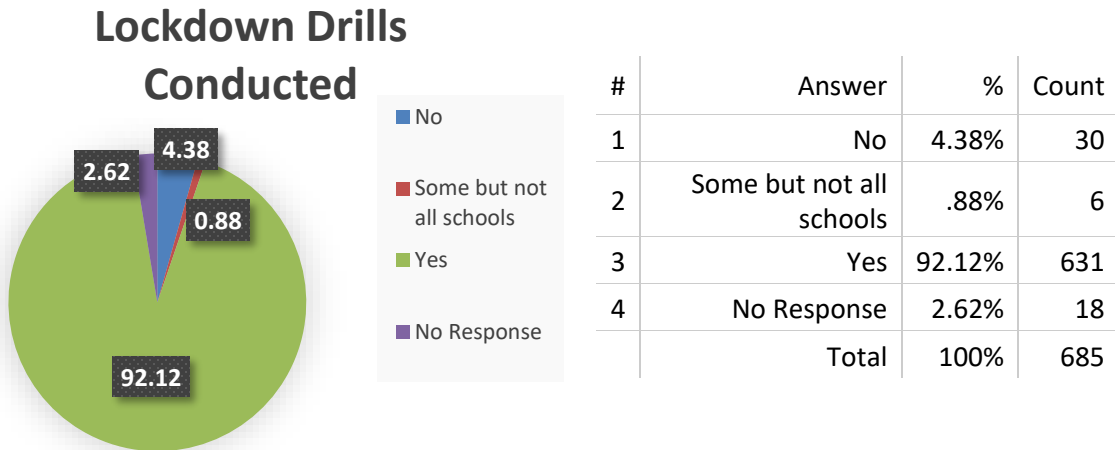
This question allowed the respondents to list training they would like to obtain that might benefit them as an SRO. The top 3 trainings requested are:

1. Juvenile Law related topics
2. Active Shooter Response
3. Cyber Training

For access to the unedited list of trainings, please see this link: [Trainings Most Requested](#)

Q26: DOES THE SCHOOL AT WHICH YOU ARE PRIMARILY ASSIGNED CONDUCT A LOCKDOWN DRILL DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR?

Lockdown drills are mandated by general statute (NCGS 115C-105.49) and are good practice for schools, not only for active shooters but also for local issues that might arise (such as plane crashes, train derailments, hazardous materials incidents as well as weather events). It is also a collaborative effort among local first responders, law enforcement and school personnel.



Q27: WHAT SUGGESTIONS DO YOU HAVE THAT WOULD IMPROVE THE JOB AS AN SRO?

This question allowed the respondents to list what they think would improve the job as an SRO. The top three responses are:

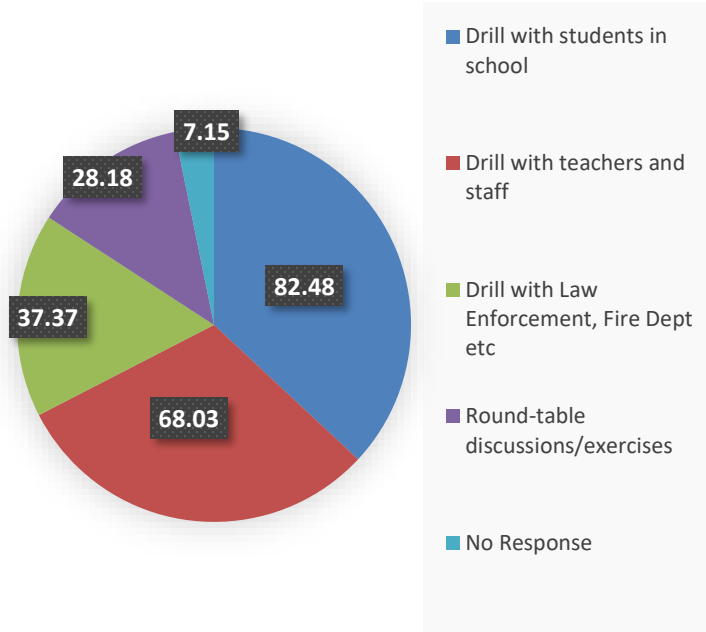
1. More Training
2. Increased Pay/Benefits
3. More Officers

For access to the unedited list of responses, please see this link: [Suggestions from SROs](#)

Q28: WHAT KIND OF LOCKDOWN DRILL IS PRACTICED?

Lockdown drills are mandated by NCGS 115C-105.49 and must be conducted annually along with tabletop exercises. Additional drills include Fire Drill, Tornado Drill and Earthquake Drill.

Kind of Lockdown Drill

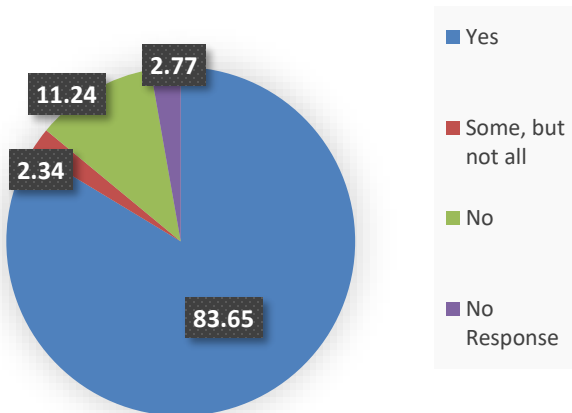


#	Answer	%	Count
1	Drill with students in school	82.48%	565
2	Drill with teachers and staff	68.03%	466
3	Drill with Law Enforcement, Fire Dept etc	37.37%	256
4	Round-table discussions/tabletop exercises	28.18%	193
5	No Response	7.15%	49

Q29: HAVE THE SCHOOL(S) YOU HAVE BEEN ASSIGNED TO UPDATED THE EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLANS WITHIN THE PAST TWO YEARS?

The School Risk Management Plan (SRMP) works in conjunction with the State Emergency Response Application (SERA). Each school must have a plan in SRMP, and it should be updated annually.

Emergency Response Plan Updated

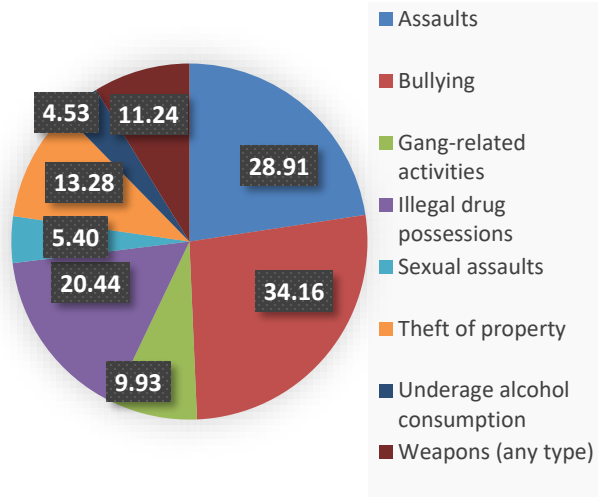


#	Answer	%	Count
1	Yes	83.65%	573
2	Some, but not all	2.34%	16
3	No	11.24%	77
4	No Response	2.77%	19
	Total	100%	685

Q30: OF THE ACTIVITIES LISTED BELOW, WHICH HAVE YOU NOTED AN INCREASE IN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING CRIMES AT YOUR SCHOOL(S)? (SELECT ALL THAT APPLY)

The SROs report that there has been a slight increase in all the crimes listed. This stresses the importance in maintaining the SRO Program.

Increase in Crime



#	Answer	%	Count
1	Assaults	28.91%	198
2	Bullying	34.16%	234
3	Gang-related activities	9.93%	68
4	Illegal drug possessions	20.44%	140
5	Sexual assaults	5.40%	37
6	Theft of property	13.28%	91
7	Underage alcohol consumption	4.53%	31
8	Weapons (any type)	11.24%	77
9	None of the above	0%	0

APPENDIX A

FY 2022-2024 School Resource Officer Grant Award			
PSU	Organization Name	SRO Authorized	Number SRO Funded
01F	Alamance Community School	\$ 36,666.00	1
010	Alamance-Burlington Schools	\$ 880,000.00	20
020	Alexander County Schools	\$ 308,000.00	7
030	Alleghany County Schools	\$ 73,332.00	2
51C	American Leadership Academy - Johnston	\$ 44,000.00	1
65F	American Leadership Academy-Coastal	\$ 44,000.00	1
040	Anson County Schools	\$ 88,000.00	2
90F	Apprentice Academy HS of NC	\$ 36,666.00	1
69A	Arapahoe Charter School	\$ 44,000.00	1
60N	Aristotle Preparatory Academy	\$ 33,333.00	1
050	Ashe County Schools	\$ 36,666.00	1
761	Asheboro City Schools	\$ 44,000.00	1
060	Avery County Schools	\$ 109,998.00	3
070	Beaufort County Schools	\$ 396,000.00	9
080	Bertie County Schools	\$ 44,000.00	1
79A	Bethany Community School	\$ 44,000.00	1
090	Bladen County Schools	\$ 264,000.00	6
61V	Bonnie Cone Classical Academy	\$ 3,333.00	1
88A	Brevard Academy	\$ 4,000.00	1
100	Brunswick County Schools	\$ 548,365.00	15
110	Buncombe County Schools	\$ 916,650.00	25
120	Burke County Schools	\$ 528,000.00	12
130	Cabarrus County Schools	\$ 1,149,978.00	33
140	Caldwell County Schools	\$ 452,000.00	10
150	Camden County Schools	\$ 132,000.00	3
93Q	Carolina Charter Academy: CFA	\$ 36,666.00	1
13A	Carolina International School	\$ 36,666.00	1
160	Carteret County Public Schools	\$ 513,324.00	14
92R	Casa Esperanza Montessori	\$ 36,666.00	1
170	Caswell County Schools	\$ 176,000.00	4
180	Catawba County Schools	\$ 219,996.00	6
681	Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools	\$ 283,330.00	5
190	Chatham County Schools	\$ 36,666.00	1
200	Cherokee County Schools	\$ 352,000.00	8
54A	Children's Village Academy	\$ 44,000.00	1
10B	Classical Charter Schools of Southport	\$ 36,666.00	1
220	Clay County Schools	\$ 73,332.00	2
230	Cleveland County Schools	\$ 792,000.00	18

821	Clinton City Schools	\$ 44,000.00	1
01C	Clover Garden	\$ 36,666.00	1
240	Columbus County Schools	\$ 396,000.00	9
36G	Community Public Charter	\$ 36,666.00	1
60I	Community School of Davidson	\$ 36,666.00	1
250	Craven County Schools	\$ 549,990.00	15
260	Cumberland County Schools	\$ 572,000.00	13
65Z	D.C. Virgo Preparatory Academy	\$ 36,666.00	1
280	Dare County Schools	\$ 36,666.00	1
290	Davidson County Schools	\$ 1,144,000.00	25
300	Davie County Schools	\$ 176,000.00	4
96C	Dillard Academy	\$ 15,266.00	1
310	Duplin County Schools	\$ 440,000.00	10
92G	East Wake Academy	\$ 36,666.00	1
210	Edenton-Chowan Schools	\$ 110,748.00	4
330	Edgecombe County Public Schools	\$ 185,000.00	7
700	Elizabeth City-Pasquotank Public Schools	\$ 158,208.00	3
861	Elkin City Schools	\$ 36,666.00	1
80C	Faith Academy	\$ 44,000.00	1
39A	Falls Lake Academy	\$ 44,000.00	1
350	Franklin County Schools	\$ 528,000.00	12
360	Gaston County Schools	\$ 1,587,600.00	42
370	Gates County Schools	\$ 88,000.00	2
32M	Global Scholars Academy	\$ 36,666.00	1
298	Governor Morehead School for the Blind	\$ 36,666.00	1
390	Granville County Schools	\$ 132,000.00	3
400	Greene County Schools	\$ 220,000.00	5
41C	Guilford Preparatory Academy	\$ 36,666.00	1
420	Halifax County Schools	\$ 176,000.00	4
430	Harnett County Schools	\$ 220,000.00	5
440	Haywood County Schools	\$ 293,328.00	8
450	Henderson County Schools	\$ 18,333.00	0.5
460	Hertford County Schools	\$ 186,000.00	4
181	Hickory City Schools	\$ 146,664.00	4
470	Hoke County Schools	\$ 44,000.00	1
480	Hyde County Schools	\$ 73,332.00	2
60Q	Invest Collegiate	\$ 36,666.00	1
11C	Invest Collegiate - Imagine	\$ 36,666.00	1
65D	Island Montessori Charter	\$ 36,666.00	1
500	Jackson County Public Schools	\$ 133,332.00	4
510	Johnston County Public Schools	\$ 1,408,000.00	32
520	Jones County Schools	\$ 220,000.00	5
132	Kannapolis City Schools	\$ 176,000.00	4
66A	KIPP Gaston College Preparatory	\$ 44,000.00	1
81B	Lake Lure Classical Academy	\$ 36,666.00	1

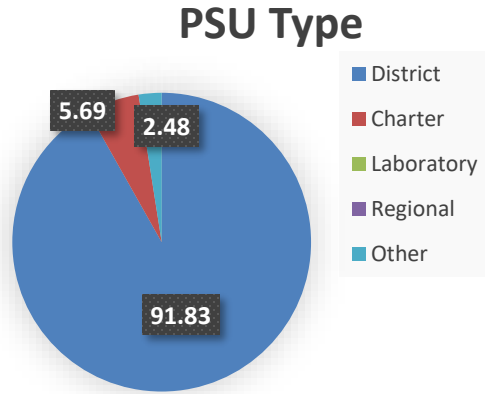
60D	Lake Norman Charter	\$ 36,666.00	1
530	Lee County Schools	\$ 506,000.00	11.5
540	Lenoir County Public Schools	\$ 132,000.00	3
55A	Lincoln Charter School	\$ 36,666.00	1
550	Lincoln County Schools	\$ 146,664.00	4
560	Macon County Schools	\$ 73,332.00	2
570	Madison County Schools	\$ 132,000.00	3
61Q	Mallard Creek STEM Academy	\$ 36,666.00	1
580	Martin County Schools	\$ 176,000.00	4
590	McDowell County Schools	\$ 484,000.00	11
610	Mitchell County Schools	\$ 220,000.00	5
90D	Monroe Charter Academy	\$ 36,666.00	1
620	Montgomery County Schools	\$ 264,000.00	6
630	Moore County Schools	\$ 219,996.00	6
491	Mooresville Graded School District	\$ 90,232.00	2
79Z	Moss Street Partnership School	\$ 44,000.00	1
862	Mount Airy City Schools	\$ 44,000.00	1
36C	Mountain Island Charter	\$ 33,333.00	1
61T	Movement Charter School	\$ 34,000.00	1
62K	Movement School Eastland	\$ 34,000.00	1
62P	Movement School Southwest	\$ 34,000.00	1
640	Nash County Public Schools	\$ 616,000.00	14
34H	NC Leadership Charter Academy	\$ 36,666.00	1
51A	Neuse Charter School	\$ 44,000.00	1
650	New Hanover County Schools	\$ 403,326.00	11
182	Newton Conover City Schools	\$ 113,998.00	3
33A	North East Carolina Preparatory School	\$ 44,000.00	1
660	Northampton County Schools	\$ 44,000.00	1
70A	Northeast Academy of Aerospace & AdvTech	\$ 44,000.00	1
670	Onslow County Schools	\$ 528,000.00	12
680	Orange County Schools	\$ 366,660.00	10
39B	Oxford Preparatory School	\$ 36,666.00	1
690	Pamlico County Schools	\$ 132,000.00	3
710	Pender County Schools	\$ 88,000.00	2
720	Perquimans County Schools	\$ 88,000.00	2
730	Person County Schools	\$ 44,000.00	1
36B	Piedmont Community Charter	\$ 44,000.00	1
49E	Pine Lake Preparatory	\$ 36,666.00	1
93N	Pine Springs Preparatory Academy	\$ 36,666.00	1
23A	Pinnacle Classical Academy	\$ 36,666.00	1
740	Pitt County Schools	\$ 968,000.00	22
750	Polk County Schools	\$ 183,330.00	5
760	Randolph County School System	\$ 176,000.00	4
770	Richmond County Schools	\$ 264,000.00	6
36F	Ridgeview Charter School	\$ 36,666.00	1

421	Roanoke Rapids City Schools	\$ 132,000.00	3
790	Rockingham County Schools	\$ 599,900.00	13
800	Rowan-Salisbury Schools	\$ 731,500.00	16
73B	Roxboro Community School	\$ 36,666.00	1
810	Rutherford County Schools	\$ 484,000.00	11
820	Sampson County Schools	\$ 572,000.00	13
63B	Sandhills Theatre Arts Renaiss	\$ 33,333.00	1
830	Scotland County Schools	\$ 88,000.00	2
44A	Shining Rock Classical Academy: CFA	\$ 36,666.00	1
62J	Southwest Charlotte STEM Academy	\$ 36,666.00	1
840	Stanly County Schools	\$ 403,326.00	11
850	Stokes County Schools	\$ 176,000.00	4
50A	Summit Charter	\$ 36,666.00	1
860	Surry County Schools	\$ 264,000.00	6
870	Swain County Schools	\$ 132,000.00	3
12A	The New Dimensions School	\$ 36,666.00	1
24B	Thomas Academy	\$ 44,000.00	1
81A	Thomas Jefferson Classical Academy	\$ 44,000.00	1
292	Thomasville City Schools	\$ 44,000.00	1
62A	Tillery Charter Academy	\$ 44,000.00	1
890	Tyrrell County Schools	\$ 44,000.00	1
90A	Union Academy Charter School	\$ 36,666.00	1
900	Union County Public Schools	\$ 586,656.00	16
61K	United Community School	\$ 36,666.00	1
76A	Uwharrie Charter Academy	\$ 44,000.00	1
910	Vance County Schools	\$ 440,000.00	10
32L	Voyager Academy	\$ 36,666.00	1
35C	Wake Preparatory Academy	\$ 44,000.00	1
940	Washington County Schools	\$ 44,000.00	1
950	Watauga County Schools	\$ 109,998.00	3
960	Wayne County Public Schools	\$ 484,000.00	11
422	Weldon City Schools	\$ 88,000.00	2
241	Whiteville City Schools	\$ 132,000.00	3
970	Wilkes County Schools	\$ 132,000.00	3
980	Wilson County Schools	\$ 36,666.00	1
990	Yadkin County Schools	\$ 220,000.00	5
995	Yancey County Schools	\$ 219,996.00	6

	TOTALS	\$32,991,658.00	801
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APPENDIX B

The SRO grant provides SROs to districts as well as charter, laboratory and regional schools.



#	Answer	%	Count
1	District	91.83%	629
2	Charter	5.69%	39
3	Laboratory	0%	0
4	Regional	0%	0
5	Other	2.48%	17
	Total	100%	685

PSU	Frequency	Percent
Alamance-Burlington Schools - 010	14	2.04
Alexander County Schools - 020	12	1.75
Anson County Schools - 040	1	0.15
Arapahoe Charter School - 69A	2	0.29
Asheboro City Schools - 761	1	0.15
Avery County Schools - 060	4	0.58
Bethany Community School - 79A	2	0.29
Brevard Academy - 88A	1	0.15
Brunswick County Schools - 100	31	4.53
Buncombe County Schools - 110	2	0.29
Cabarrus County Schools - 130	42	6.13
Caldwell County Schools - 140	9	1.31
Carteret County Public Schools - 160	23	3.36
Casa Esperanza Montessori - 92R	1	0.15
Caswell County Schools - 170	1	0.15
Catawba County Schools - 180	22	3.21
Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools - 681	2	0.29
Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools - 600	1	0.15
Chatham County Schools - 190	1	0.15
Cherokee County Schools - 200	5	0.73
Classical Charter Schools of Leland - 10A	1	0.15
Classical Charter Schools of Southport - 10B	3	0.44
Clay County Schools - 220	3	0.44
Cleveland County Schools - 230	15	2.19
Clinton City Schools - 821	3	0.44

Clover Garden - 01C	2	0.29
Dare County Schools - 280	4	0.58
Davidson County Schools - 290	23	3.36
Deaf and Blind Schools - 298	4	0.58
Duplin County Schools - 310	2	0.29
Elizabeth City-Pasquotank Public Schools - 700	5	0.73
Elkin City Schools - 861	2	0.29
Faith Academy - 80C	1	0.15
Franklin County Schools - 350	11	1.61
Gaston County Schools - 360	29	4.23
Gates County Schools - 370	1	0.15
Global Scholars Academy - 32M	1	0.15
Graham County Schools - 380	1	0.15
Granville County Schools - 390	9	1.31
Gray Stone Day School - 84B	1	0.15
Haywood County Schools - 440	15	2.19
Henderson County Schools - 450	16	2.34
Hickory City Schools - 181	2	0.29
Hoke County Schools - 470	6	0.88
Johnston County Public Schools - 510	11	1.61
KIPP Gaston College Preparatory - 66A	1	0.15
Lake Norman Charter - 60D	1	0.15
Langtree Charter Academy - 49F	2	0.29
Lincoln Charter School - 55A	3	0.44
Lincoln County Schools - 550	21	3.07
Mitchell County Schools - 610	7	1.02
Moore County Schools - 630	3	0.44
Mooresville Graded School District - 491	6	0.88
Mount Airy City Schools - 862	1	0.15
Mountain Island Charter - 36C	1	0.15
Neuse Charter School - 51A	2	0.29
Newton Conover City Schools - 182	3	0.44
North Carolina Virtual Public School - 299	1	0.15
North East Carolina Preparatory School - 33A	1	0.15
Old Main Stream - 78C	1	0.15
Onslow County Schools - 670	27	3.94
Oxford Preparatory School - 39B	1	0.15
Pamlico County Schools - 690	4	0.58
Pender County Schools - 710	16	2.34
Perquimans County Schools - 720	2	0.29
Piedmont Community Charter - 36B	3	0.44

Pine Lake Preparatory - 49E	1	0.15
Pine Springs Preparatory Academy - 93N	2	0.29
Pinnacle Classical Academy - 23A	1	0.15
Pitt County Schools - 740	26	3.8
Polk County Schools - 750	4	0.58
Public Schools of Robeson County - 780	15	2.19
Randolph County School System - 760	19	2.77
Richmond County Schools - 770	1	0.15
Roanoke Rapids City Schools - 421	2	0.29
Rockingham County Schools - 790	19	2.77
Rowan-Salisbury Schools - 800	7	1.02
Rutherford County Schools - 810	21	3.07
Scotland County Schools - 830	7	1.02
Stanly County Schools - 840	19	2.77
Surry County Schools - 860	13	1.9
Swain County Schools - 870	1	0.15
Union Academy Charter School - 90A	1	0.15
Union County Public Schools - 900	5	0.73
United Community School - 61K	1	0.15
Voyager Academy - 32L	1	0.15
Watauga County Schools - 950	6	0.88
Wayne County Public Schools - 960	14	2.04
West Lake Preparatory Academy - 55B	1	0.15
Wilson County Schools - 980	3	0.44
Winston Salem / Forsyth County Schools - 340	17	2.48
Yancey County Schools - 995	6	0.88
Other	17	2.48

SUMMARY

The SRO Grant Program has increased the presence of officers in schools. For the second year, the grant program has aided in the funding of over 800 officers and placed them in elementary and middle schools across the state.

The funding is critical; without it there would be districts that are unable to provide that type of protection for their students.

With the increase in criminal behavior, the SRO plays an important role in the schools. Not only does the SRO enforce laws and maintain order, they also build positive relationships with students, some of which would not have any positive interaction with law enforcement.

SROs take on the role of mentor, as many are training in Crisis Intervention Team youth training that provides them the skills to recognize a mental health crisis and respond appropriately. SROs also are the initial first responders to their schools.

The Center for Safer Schools recommends the SRO Grant funding increase. We also recommend the continued placement of SROs in schools, as well as increased funding to provide more training.