

Federal Department of Education
School Based Mental Health Funding

Cochise County
School Based
Mental Health
Collaborative



School Based Mental Health Grant

Duration: 5 years

Amount: \$2.7 million

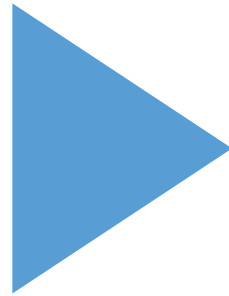
Impact:

- This grant facilitates the hiring of nine mental health professionals and paraprofessionals over a five-year period.
- These professionals will deliver essential mental health services to schools in Cochise County currently lacking adequate support.
- Our goal is to ensure that all schools, particularly those in underserved areas, receive the necessary assistance.
- Notably, Cochise County is the sole organization in Arizona to receive this grant.

Cochise Educational Service Agency

Mental Health Consortium 2023-2024

Established partnerships with six school districts, effectively serving 18 schools.



Delivered a range of essential services:

- Training
- Behavioral intervention strategies
- Needs assessments
- Crisis support
- Hearing and vision testing

Mental Health Crisis in County Schools

School Needs



Qualified Mental Health Professionals



Resources to Support Students and Staff



Tools to Improve School Climate



Evidence-Based Preventions and Interventions

Student Needs

- Improved Student to Provider Ratio
- Increase Mental Health Literacy
- Address Individual Student Behavioral Needs
- Decrease Incidents of Self-Harm
- Provide Mindfulness Education and Coping Strategies

Cochise Educational Service Agency Mental Health Consortium 2025-2029

Hire

Hire 9 additional School Based Mental Health Providers over 5 years

Secure

Secure partnerships with 18 school districts and serve 32 schools

Reduce

Reduce the Student to Provider Ratio by 20% over 5 years

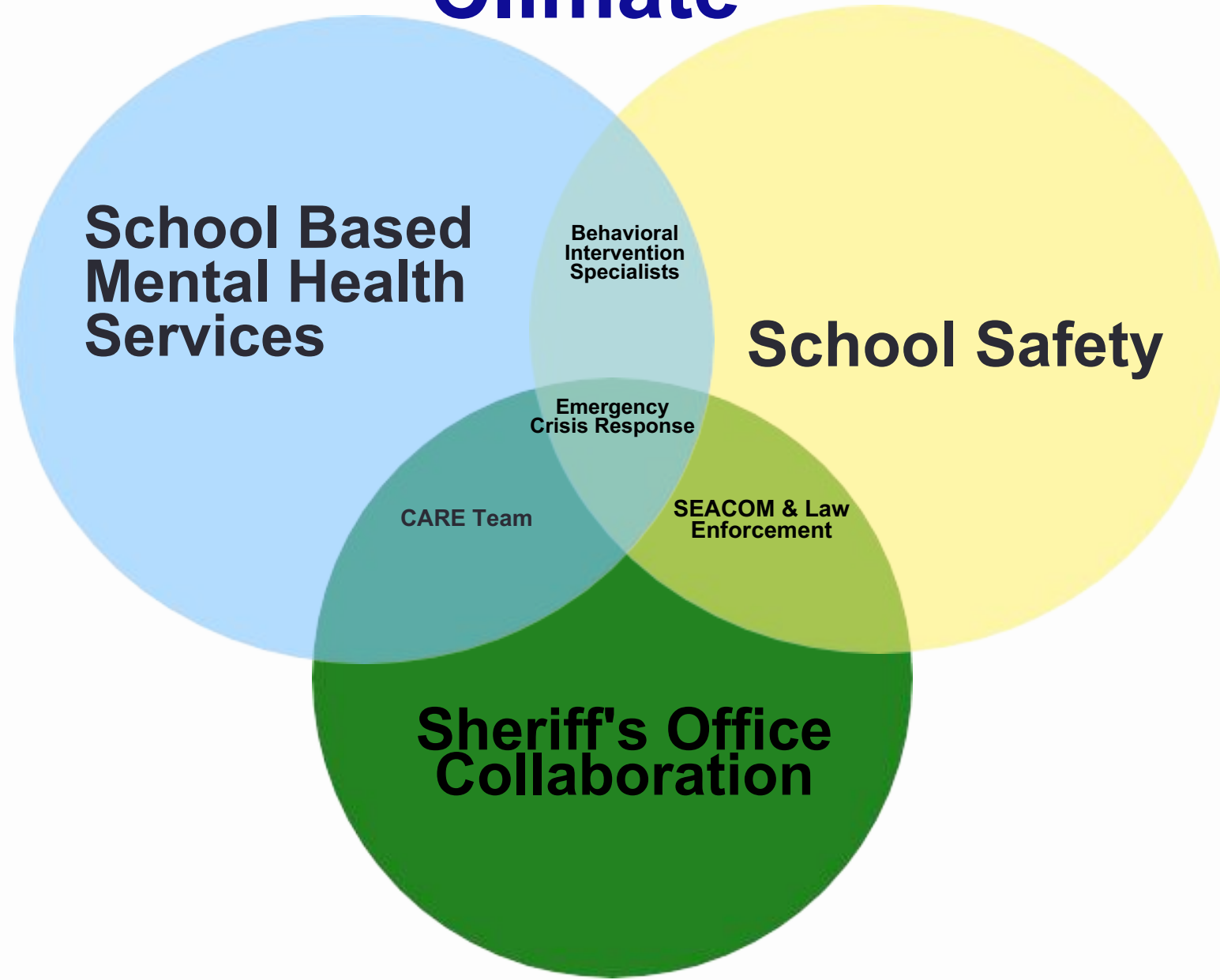
Collaborate

Collaborate with the Sheriff's Office CARE Team, enhancing mental health services for students and families

Ease

Ease stress on smaller rural districts by decreasing the burden of the mental health referral process

Working Together to Improve School Climate



QUESTIONS?

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