

SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICE OF HIGHWAY SAFETY AND JUSTICE PROGRAMS

State-Funded School Resource Officer (SRO) Program SFY 2022-2023 Solicitation











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State-Funded School Resource Officer (SRO) Program Purpose

The purpose of the SRO Program is to provide funding to hire certified law enforcement officers to serve as full time SROs for school districts that otherwise would lack the adequate resources to hire their own SROs.

There is no local matching requirement.



State-Funded School Resource Officer (SRO) Program Purpose

Some key points to note:

- The funding is for certified law enforcement officers to serve as an SRO, not security guards, part time officers, or overtime
- A state-funded SRO must be full time and assigned to one school
- An SRO is considered locally funded regardless of whether the funding is coming from the school district, the local government, or a combination of both
- A school is considered to have adequate resources to hire their own SRO if they have had a locally funded SRO in the past
- The SRO Program will not replace local funding with state funding
- The SRO Program is not funding a second SRO in a school at this time



State-Funded School Resource Officer (SRO) Program Priorities

In accordance with its statutory authority, the OHSJP has established the following priorities for SRO Program funding:

- 1. Continuation of salary/fringe for existing state-funded SROs.
- 2. New state-funded SROs salary/fringe, training, and equipment prioritized by the school district's Index of Taxpaying Ability (ITA)
- 3. Allowable equipment and training which is reasonable for existing state-funded SROs subject to the availability of funds, and demonstration of need.



State-Funded School Resource Officer (SRO) Program Eligible Applicants

> Traditional School Districts

South Carolina Public Charter School District

Schools authorized by an institution of higher learning (e.g. Charter Institute at Erskine)

State-Funded School Resource Officer (SRO) Program Award Period

The award period for this solicitation is July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023

Announcement of awards will be made in June/July



- Base Salary and Fringe Benefits (Employer Contributions)
 - Includes Social Security & Medicare (FICA), Retirement, Workers Compensation, and Health Insurance
 - Include (prorate) any anticipated pay increases for the award period
 - Include (prorate) any anticipated increases in employer contributions for the award period
 - For new or vacant positions:
 - Use highest base salary at which the agency would hire a certified officer
 - Use highest estimated employer contributions (full family vs. single)



> Training

- New SROs
 - Basic SRO Course through either:
 - South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy (SCCJA)
 - National Association of School Resource Officers (NASRO)
- Existing SROs
 - SRO related SCCJA or NASRO courses



- **Equipment (New or Justify Replacement)**
 - Uniforms and Accessories
 - Body Armor (5 year replacement cycle)
 - > Law enforcement equipment



Equipment (Continued)

- Patrol Vehicle (6 year minimum replacement cycle)
 - Basic (no upgrade options) police package vehicle up to state contract price
 - Fully marked with:
 - External light bar
 - > Full color agency graphics
 - > SRO branded (see solicitation)



Unallowable Expenses

- Lighting, graphics, or window tinting not standard to the agency's normal patrol vehicles (Exception: "School Resource Officer" lettering, "SRO" lettering, or OHSJP approved SRO decal to brand as an SRO vehicle)
 - If funded from sources other than the SRO Program, temporary school or mascot logos are allowable with the authorization of the law enforcement agency head.

Unallowable Expenses (Continued)

- Internal light bars in lieu of an external light bar
- Subdued or "Ghost" graphics
- Overtime is not an allowable expense.
 - In lieu of reimbursable overtime, the agency may:
 - Utilize compensatory time off during school breaks
 - Pay overtime from other funding sources
- Equipment or training costs obligated outside the award period



The SRO Program application consists of two parts:

PART 1 is completed by the School District. It is an one page form labeled as APPENDIX A in the solicitation.

PART 2 is completed by the Law Enforcement Agency Partner at www.SCDPSgrants.com



School districts are encouraged to provide their law enforcement partners a signed copy of this document (APPLICATION - PART 1) no later than January 31, 2022 in order for the law enforcement agencies to meet the requirements of completing APPLICATION - PART 2 at SCDPSgrants.com by the February 25, 2022 deadline. Please copy SROprogram@scdps.gov when forwarding this document to your law enforcement agency partners.

PART 1A SCHOOL DISTRICT INFORMATION

DISTRICT NAME:			EMAIL ADDRESSES:
SUPERINTENDENT:			
POINT OF CONTACT:			
PHONE NUMBER:	EXT.	WEBSITE:	

Even if the school district is not requesting new state-funded SROs, they must complete Part 1A of Appendix A and forward it to their law enforcement partners if they have any state-funded SROs that they desire to receive continued funding.

Part 1A states:

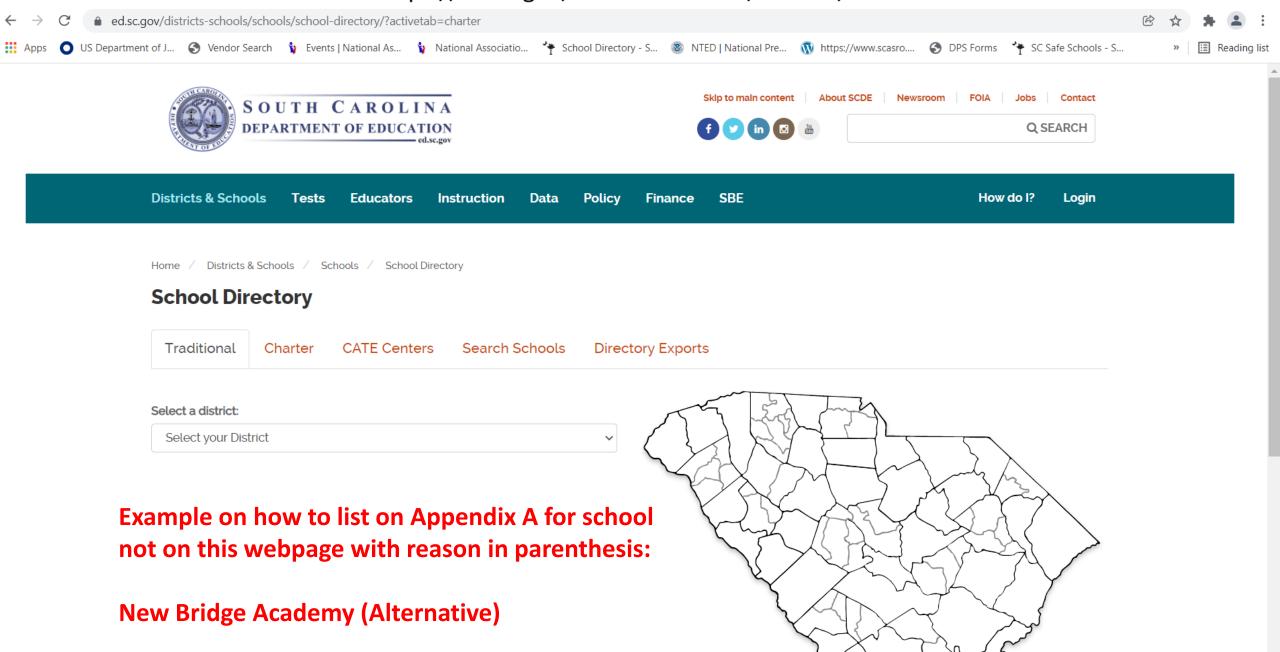
This application is made pursuant to the South Carolina Code of Laws, the South Carolina Appropriations Act, and related provisos, requesting that law enforcement agencies providing state-funded SROs to this school district be provided continued funding for the salaries, training, and equipment of existing state-funded SROs in addition to any new state-funded SRO positions requested below.



PART 1B	STATE-FUNDED SROS ARE REQUESTED FOR	R THE FOLLOWING SCHOOLS WITHOUT AN SRO:
	LEAVE THIS SECTION BLANK IF NOT REQUESTING NEW STATE-FUNDED SRO(S)	
	(List starting with highest priority at top. Attach additional sheet, if needed. Charter school	
districts do not need to prioritize and may submit an individual Appendix A for each school.)		
	NAME OF SCHOOL	LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY

Name of School should match school name on the South Carolina Department of Education's webpage on next slide.

For school listings go to: https://ed.sc.gov/districts-schools/schools/



Certification by School Superintendent Important to forward this completed form to the law enforcement agency partners no later than January 31, 2022

If new positions are being requested, I affirm that the above school(s) do not have a full-time locally funded SRO and that local funding for SROs will not be supplanted. Additionally, this school district has coordinated with the law enforcement agency(s) listed above and that they have a reasonable expectation to be able to hire/assign officers to new state-funded SRO positions within 90 days of the beginning of the award period. It is further understood that this application is subject to approval and may be limited based on funds available for award.

Signature of School Superintendent

Date



What does the school district have to do or expect after completing Part 1 and forwarding Appendix A to their law enforcement agency partners?

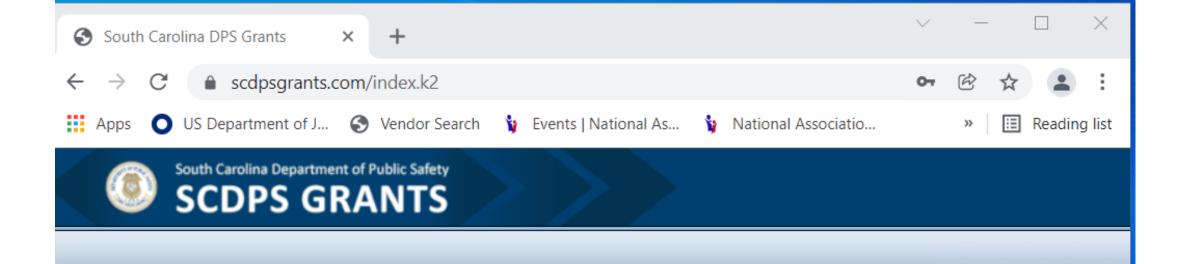
School Districts:

- Do not register in SCDPS Grants
- Will be provided a copy of the final award or denial on or about July 1, 2022
- Need to enter into a MOU with the law enforcement agency partners prior to placing an SRO at a school if an award is made



- The law enforcement agency completes the application process in SCDPS Grants at www.scdpsgrants.com
 - If the person completing the application does not have an existing User ID in SCDPS Grants then they must register at the site no later than Friday, February 18, 2022
 - The law enforcement agency will complete and submit a consolidated application that includes requests from all school districts.
 - Deadline for submission is Friday, February 25, 2022





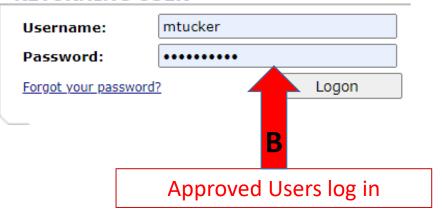
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- State Adm strative logon credentials

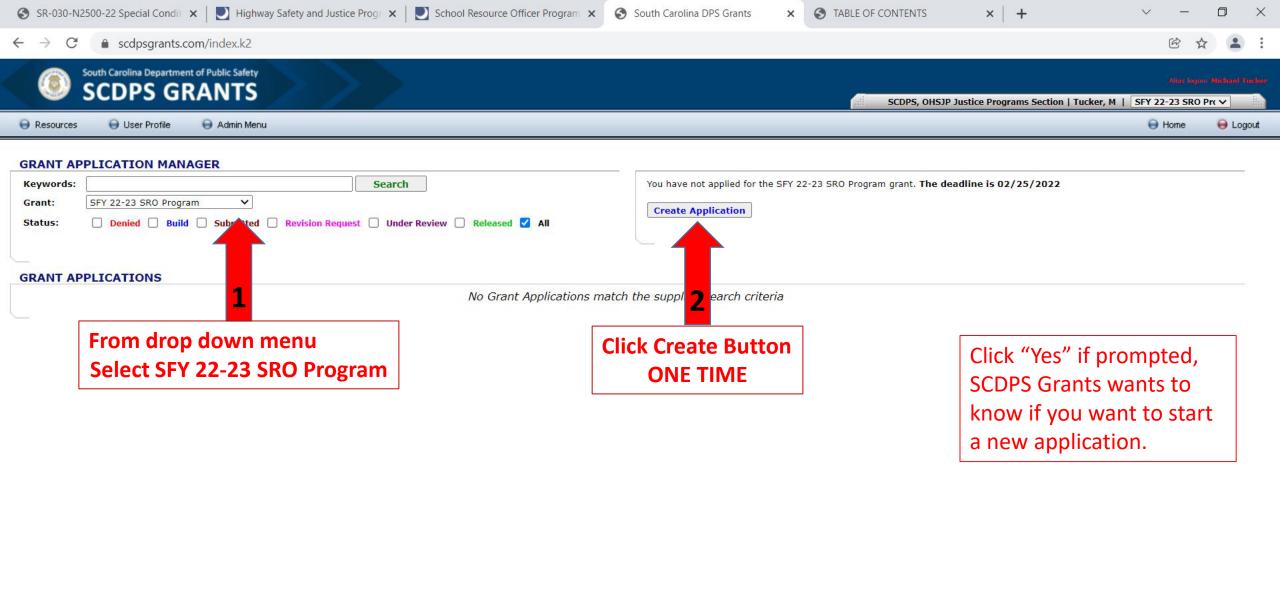
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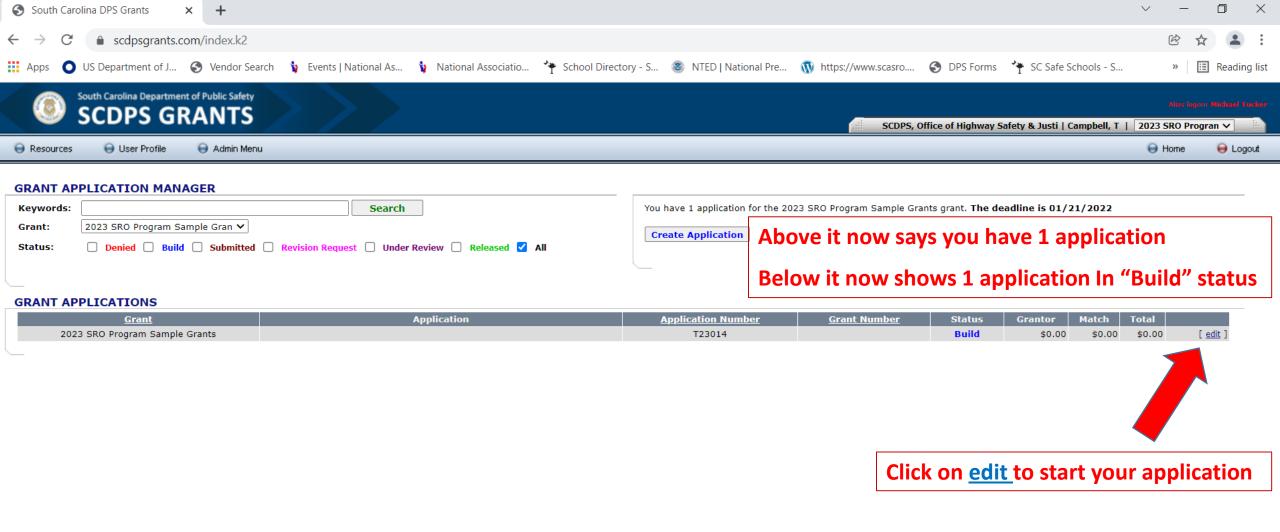


























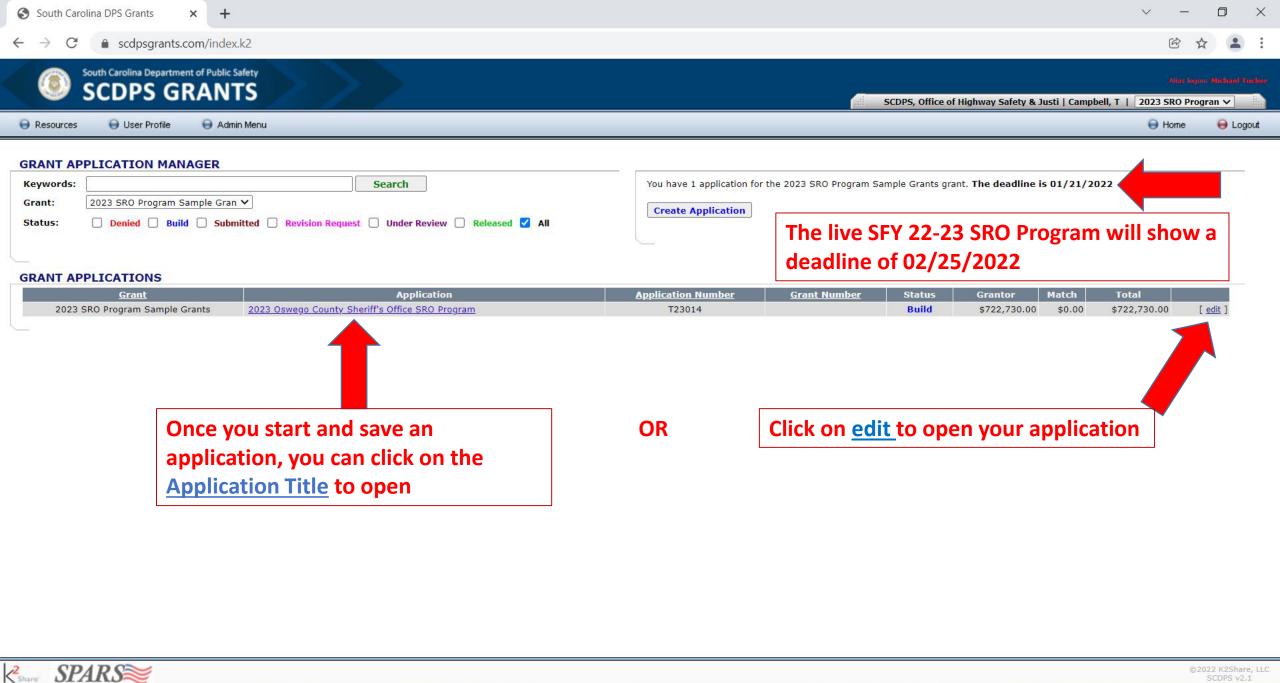




















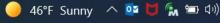








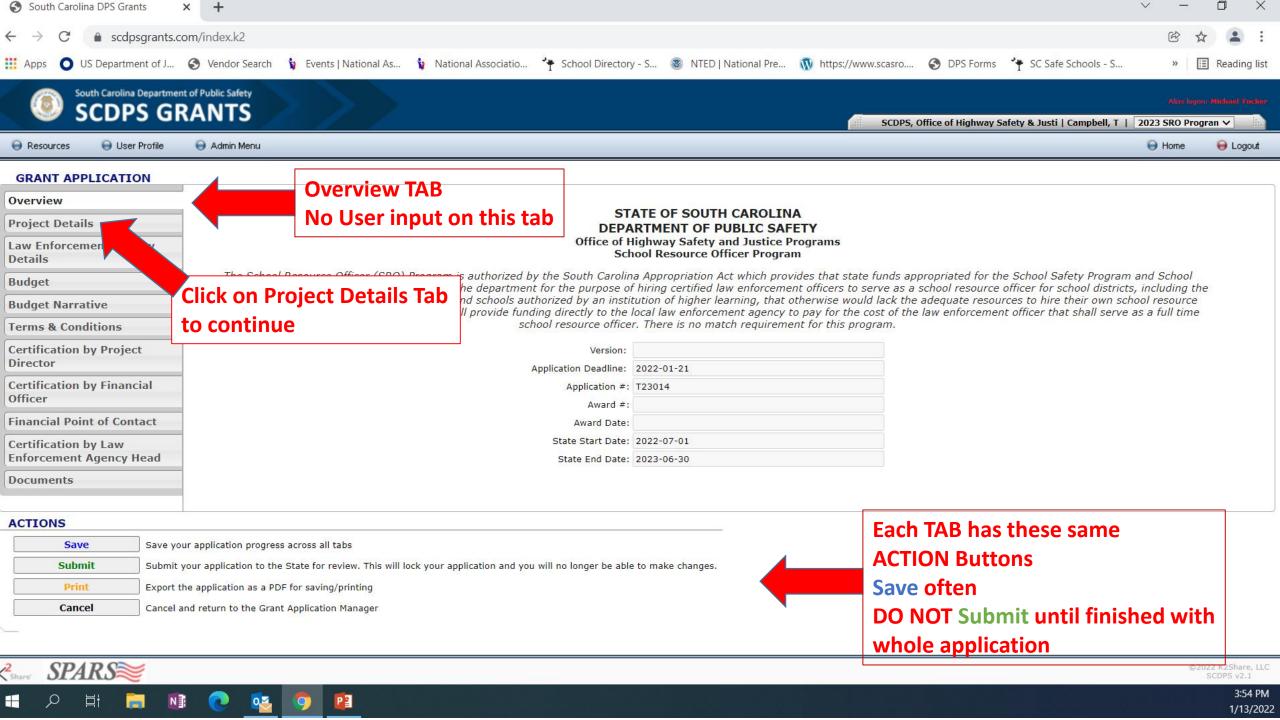


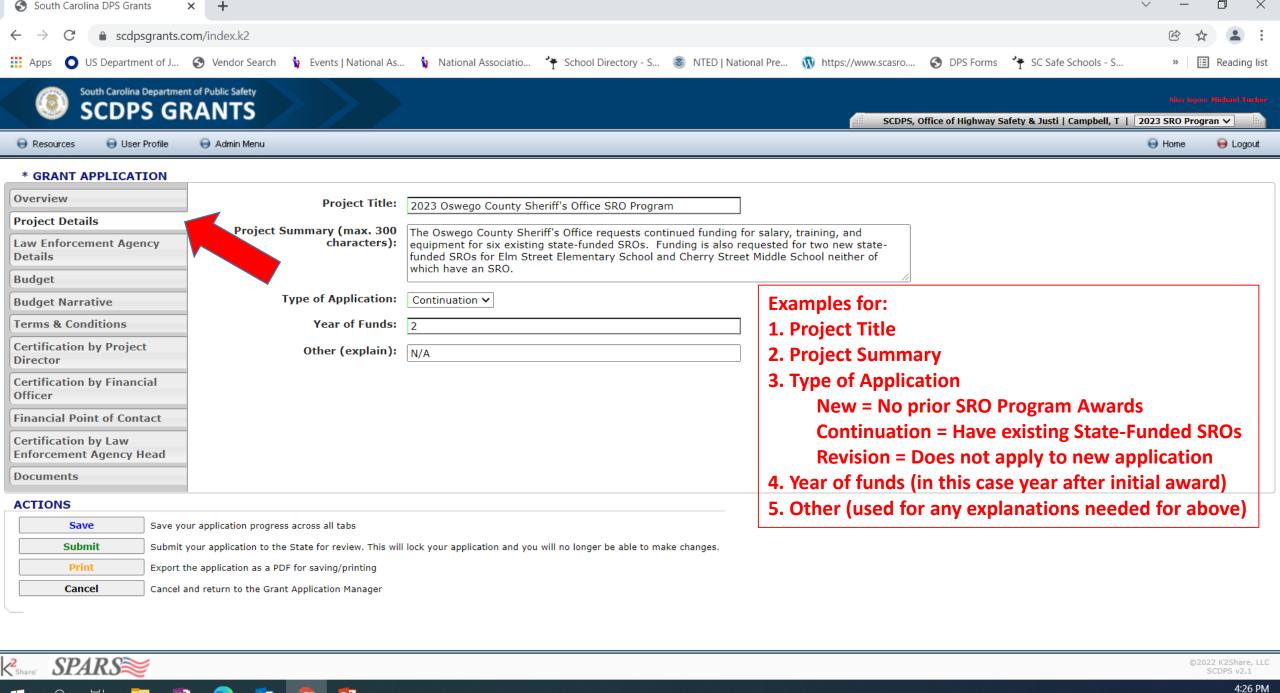




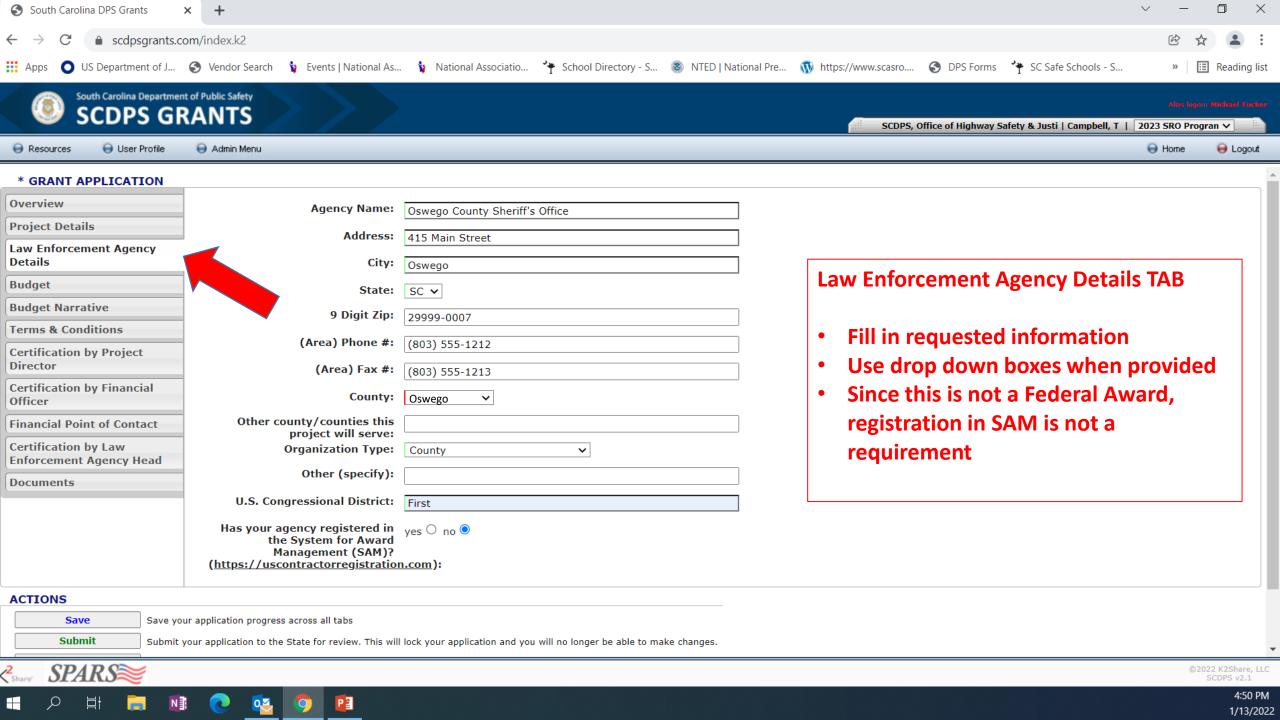


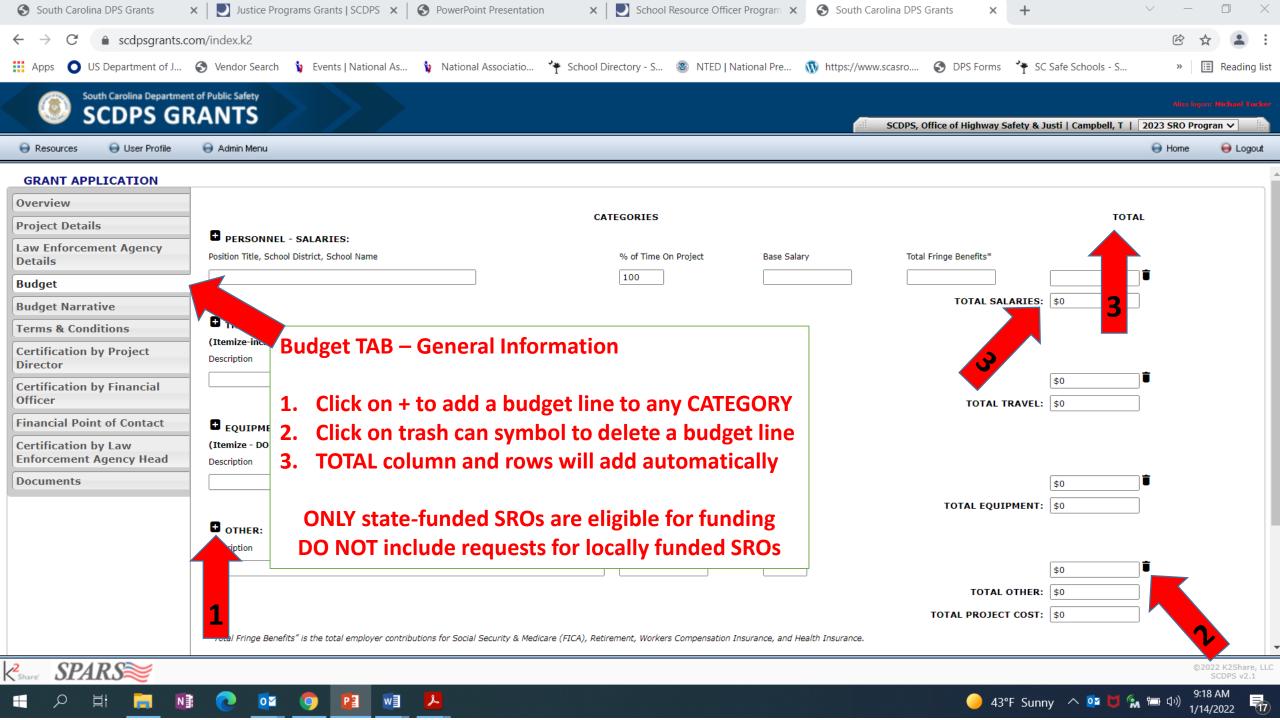


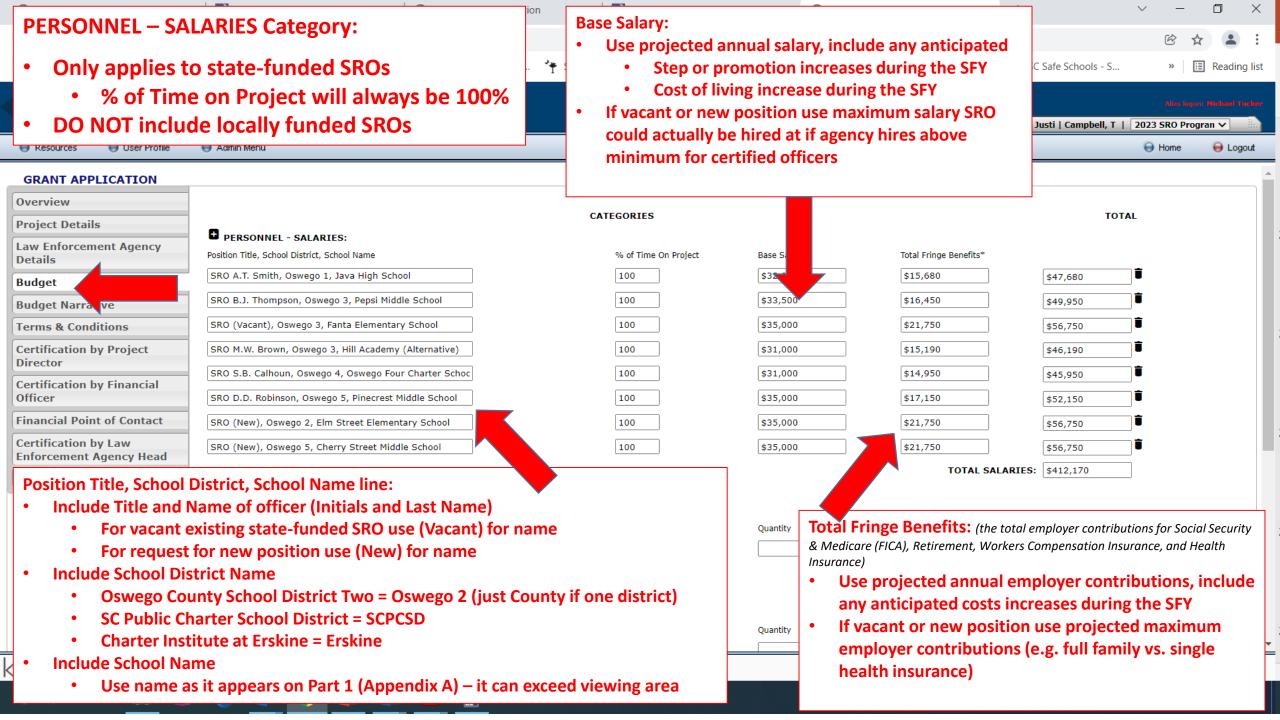


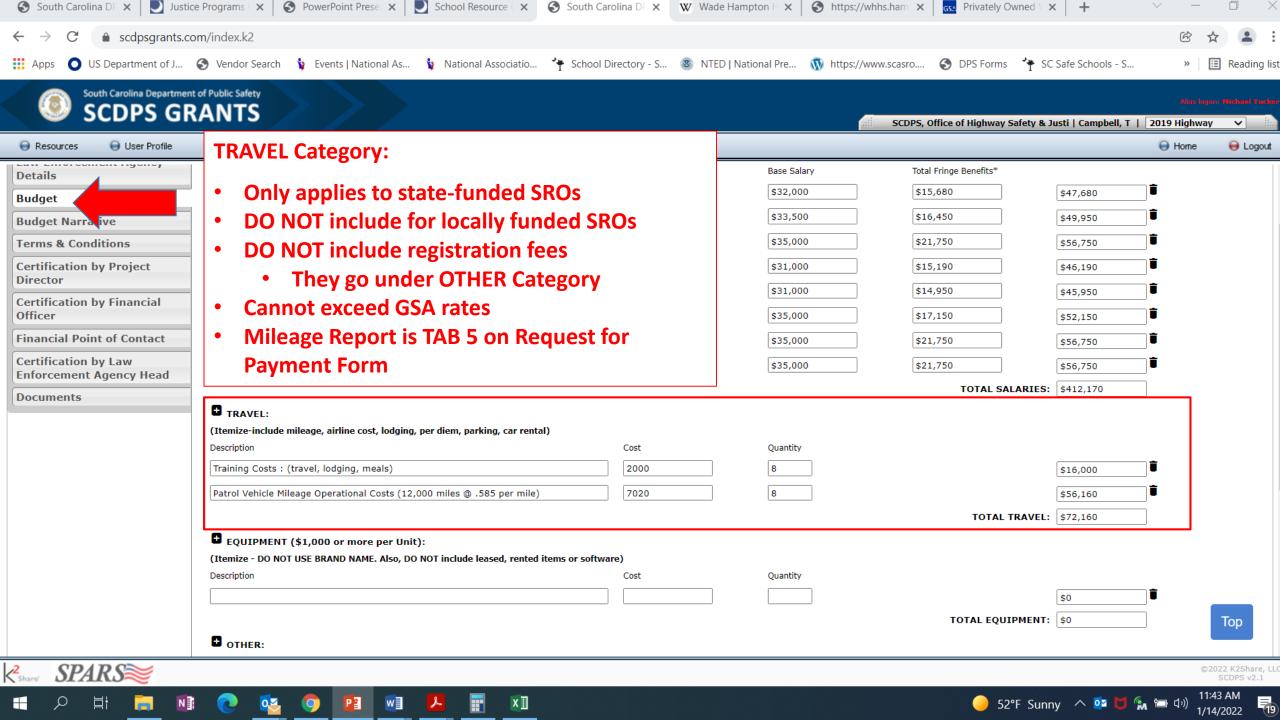


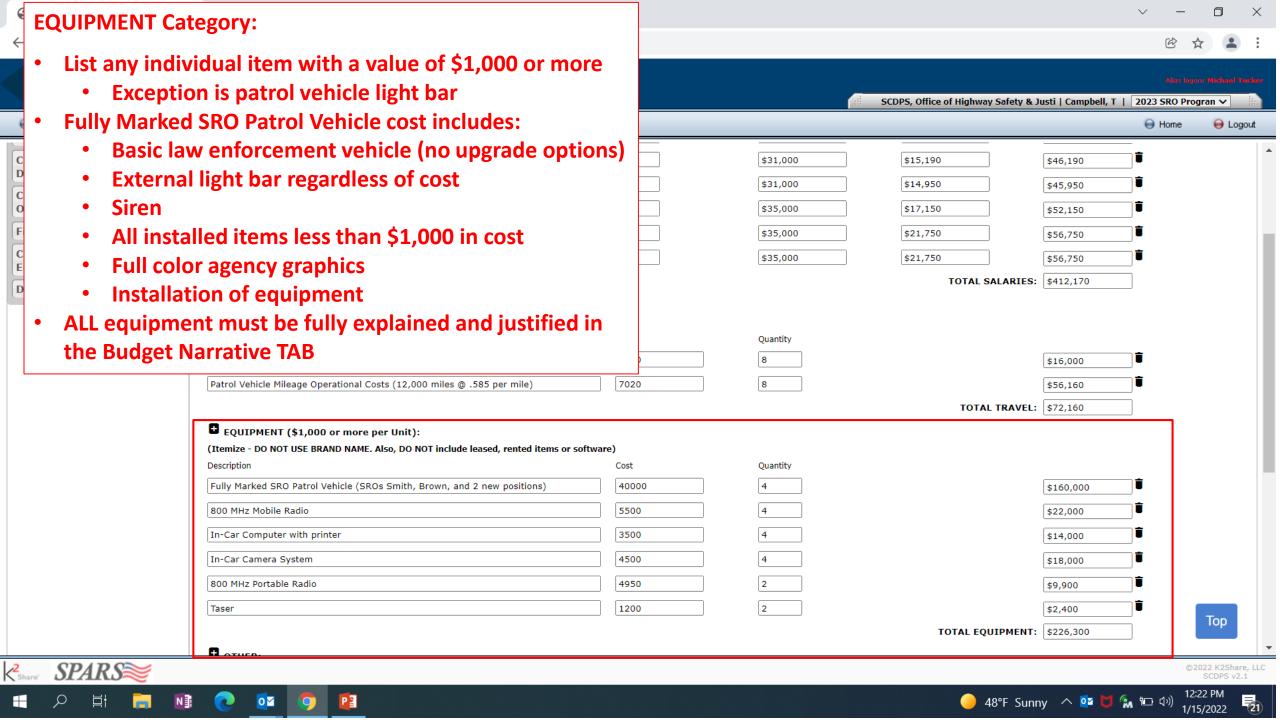
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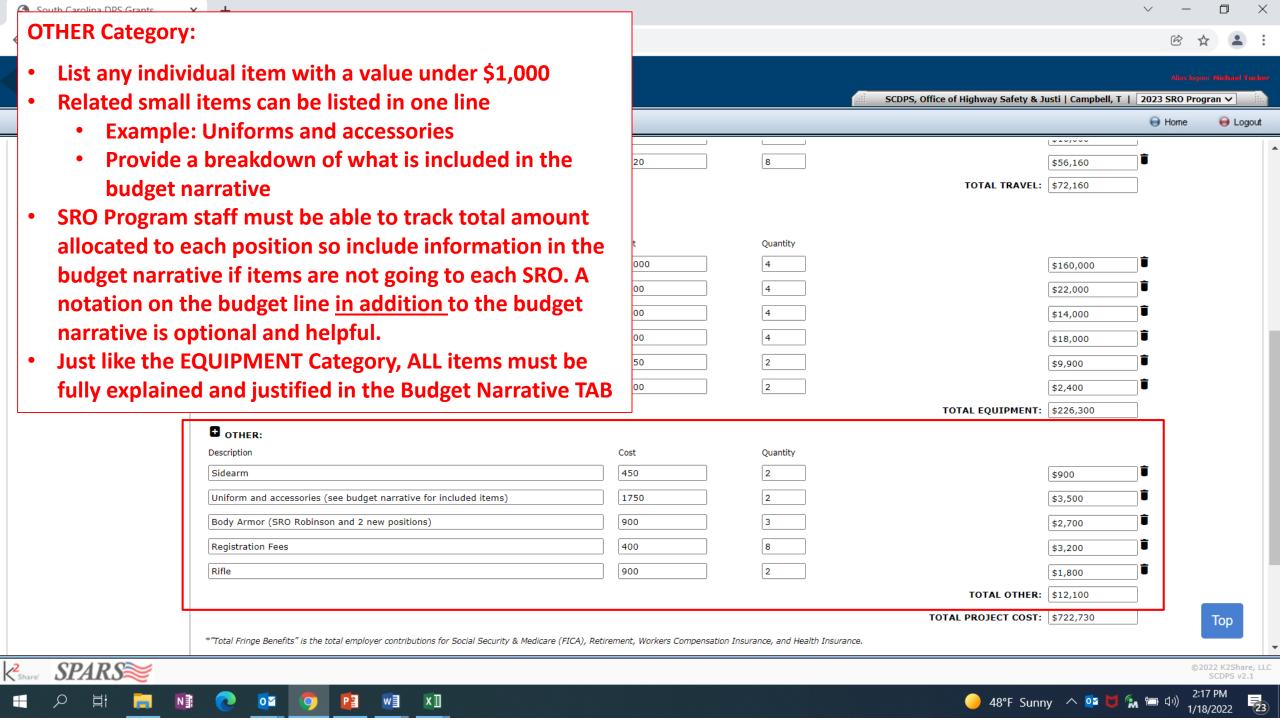


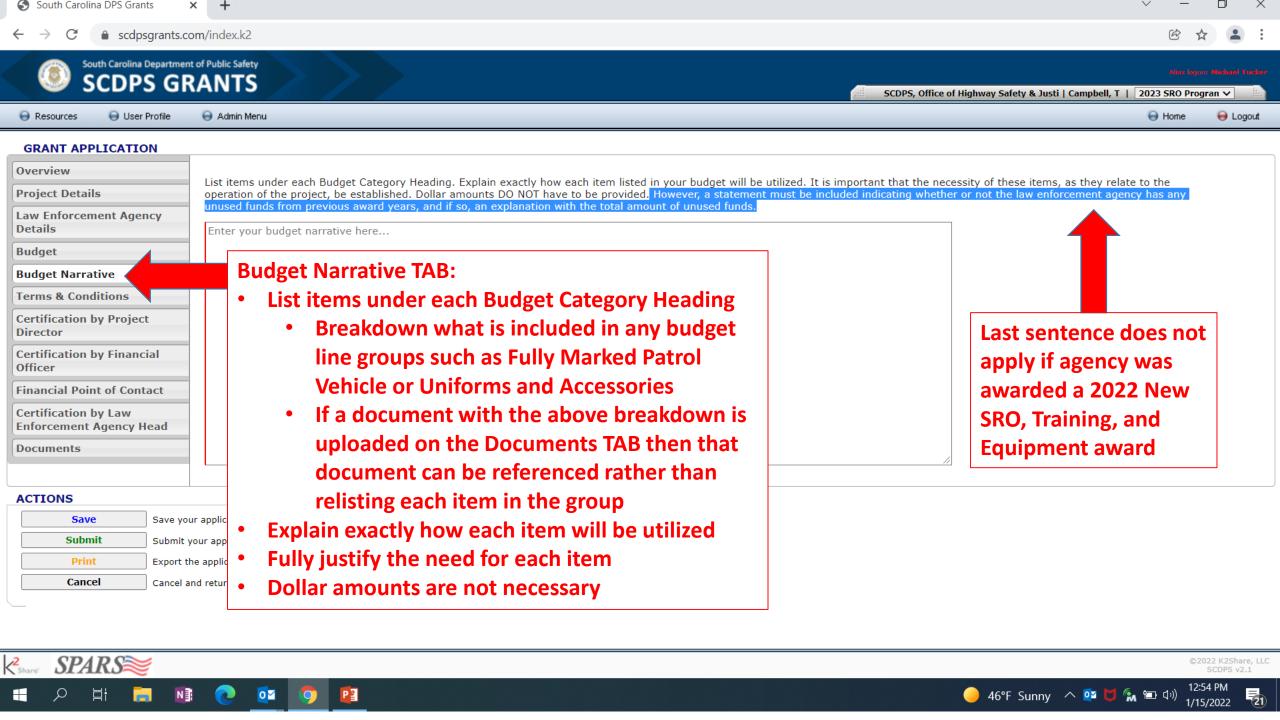


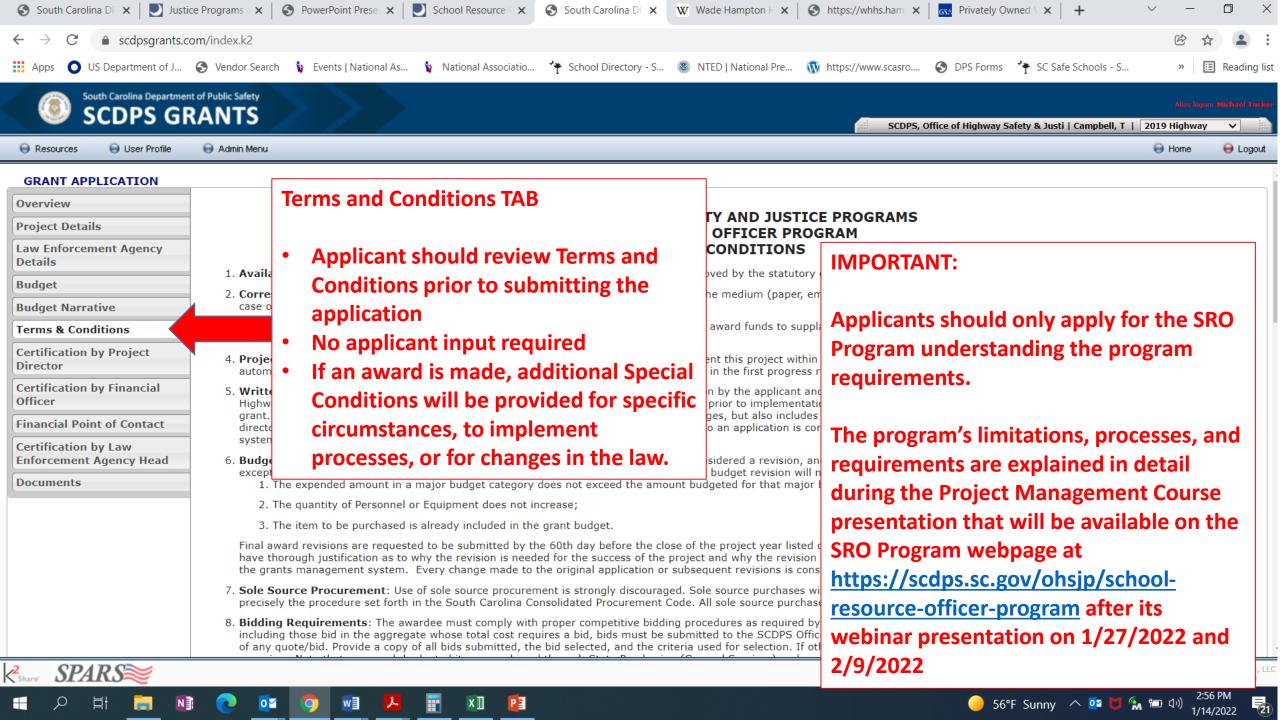












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CERTIFICATION BY PROJECT DIRECTOR *

I certify that I understand and agree to comply with the general and fiscal terms and conditions of this application including special conditions; to comply with provisions of the Act governing these funds and all other state or federal laws; that all information presented is correct; that there has been appropriate coordination with affected agencies; that I am duly authorized by the Applicant to perform the tasks of Project Director as they relate to the fiscal terms and conditions of this award application; that costs incurred prior to award approval may result in expenses being absorbed by the awardee; and, that the receipt of funds through the OHSJP will not supplant state or local funds.

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Agency:	
Mailing Address:	
City:	
State:	~
9 Digit Zip:	
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(Area) Fax Number:	(555) 123-4567
E-Mail Address:	
Signature:	
Bonded:	yes ○ no ○

Certification by Project Director TAB

- The Project Director is the agency employee that the law enforcement agency head designates to administer the project
- Fill in requested information
- Use drop down boxes when provided
- Type name in Signature box
- If an award is made this page of the application will be printed, signed, and returned to SROprogram@scdps.gov within 30 days of the award date

* NOTE: THE PROJECT DIRECTOR, FINANCIAL OFFICER AND AGENCY HEAD CANNOT NOT BE THE SAME PERSON. STAFF BEING FUNDED UNDER THIS GRANT MAY NOT BE ANY OF THE ABOVE OFFICIALS WITHOUT OHSJP APPROVAL



















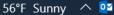


















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CERTIFICATION BY FINANCIAL OFFICER *

I certify that I understand and agree to comply with the general and fiscal terms and conditions of this application including special conditions; to comply with provisions of the Act governing these funds and all other state or federal laws; that all information presented is correct; that there has been appropriate coordination with affected agencies; that I am duly authorized by the Awardee to perform the tasks of Financial Officer as they relate to the fiscal terms and conditions of this award application; and, that the receipt of funds through the OHSJP will not supplant state or local funds.

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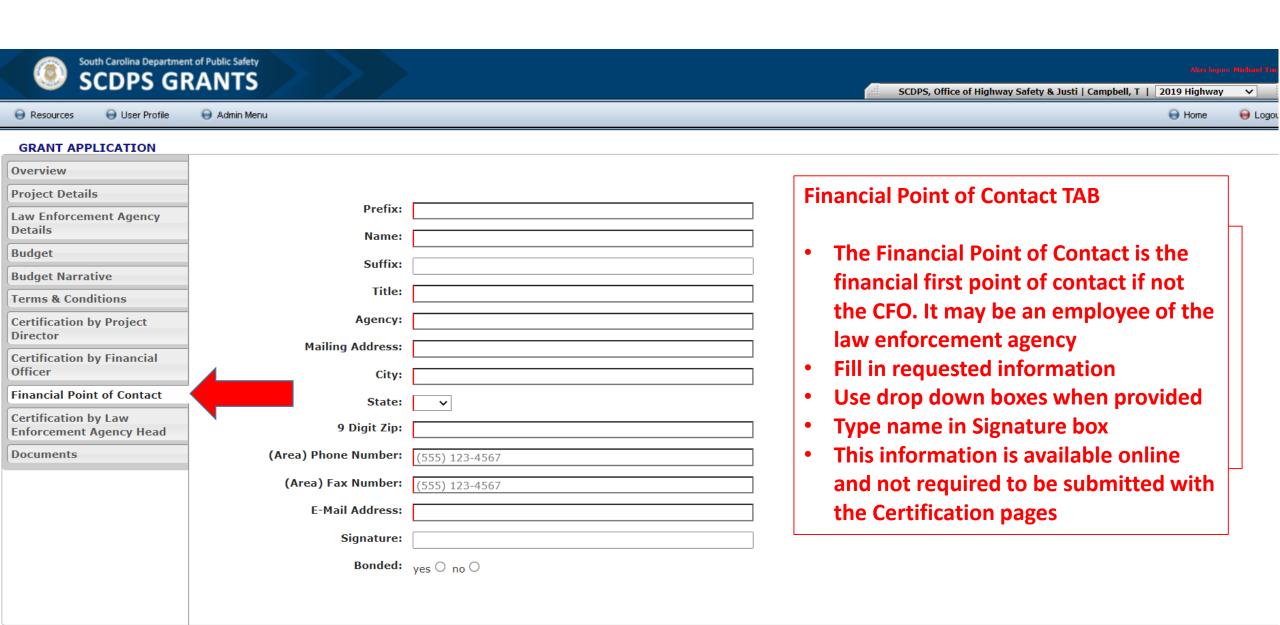
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- The Financial Officer is the CFO of the municipality or county
- Fill in requested information
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Signature:

Bonded: yes ○ no ○

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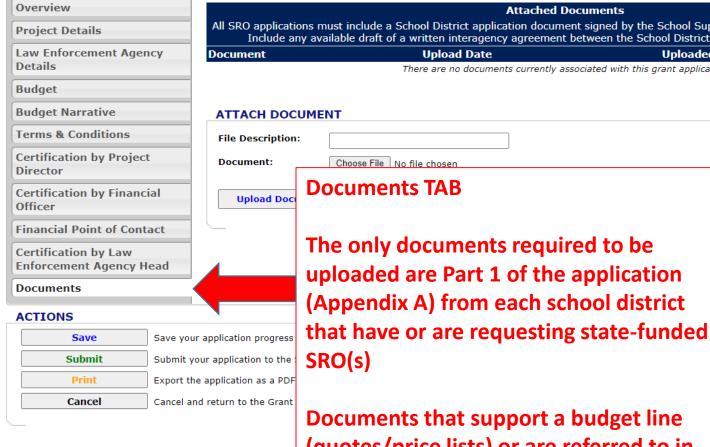




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Documents that support a budget line (quotes/price lists) or are referred to in the budget narrative (breakdown of Patrol Vehicle or Uniforms and accessories) may also be uploaded.

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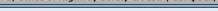


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* GRANT APPLICATION



Attached Documents

All SRO applications must include a School District application document signed by the School Superintendent. Attach this document here. Include any available draft of a written interagency agreement between the School District and the law enforcement agency.

Document Upload Date Uploaded By

There are no documents currently associated with this grant application

ATTACH DOCUMENT

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Appendix A - Oswego 1

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Choose File | Appendix A SCPCSD.pdf

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Submit your application to the State for review. This will lock your application and you will no longer be able to make changes.

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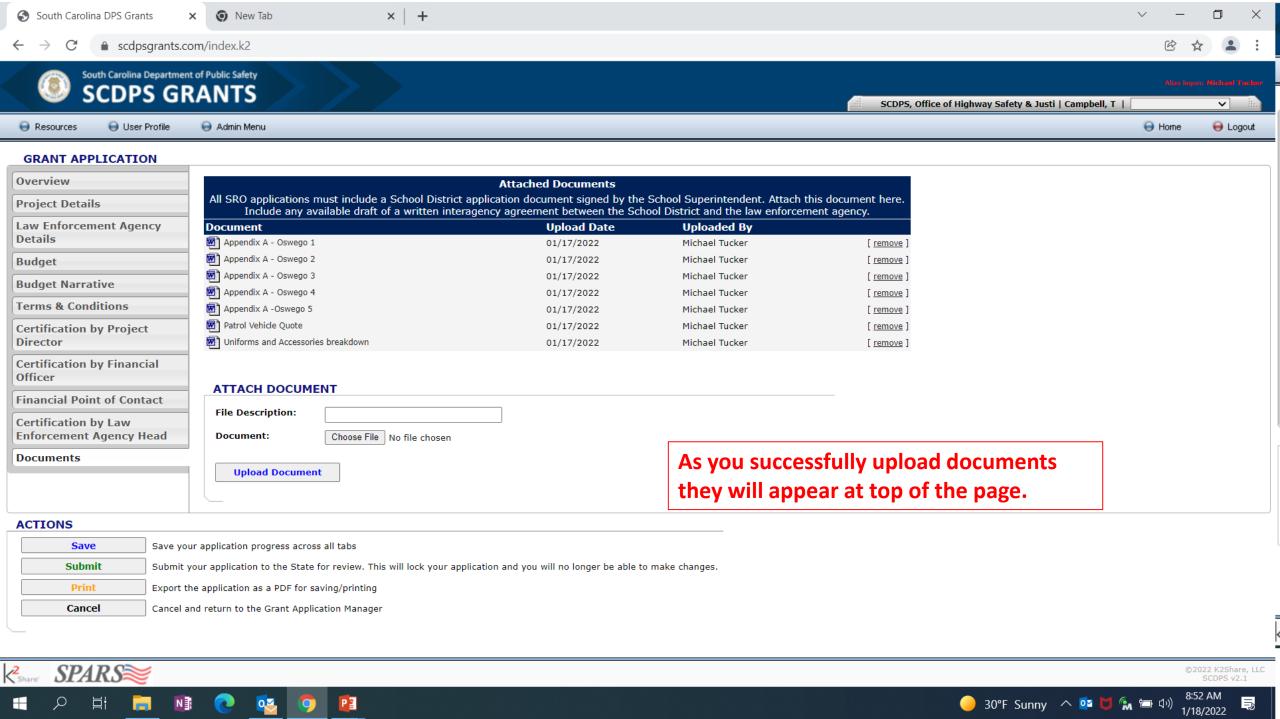
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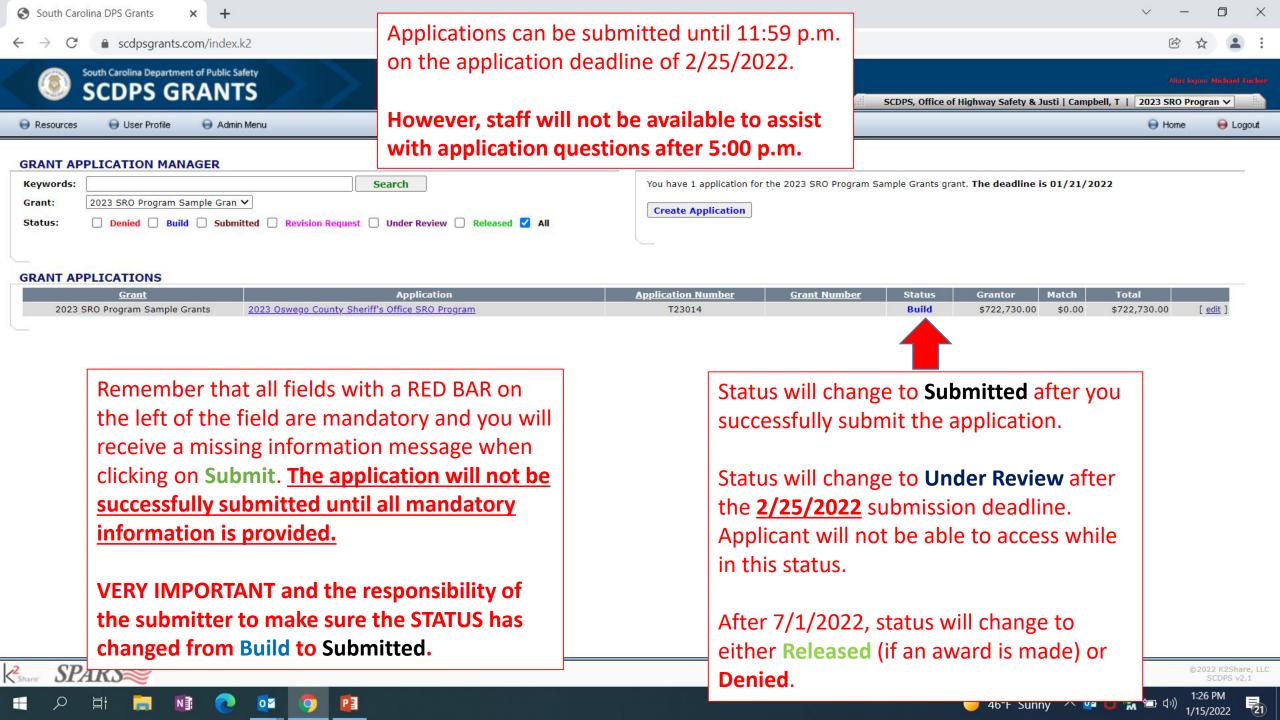
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