

Rep. Tittl: More schools in 25th Assembly District receive safety grants

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Madison: Today Manitowoc Lutheran High School was awarded \$20,000 and the Chilton School District was awarded \$25,848 through the Wisconsin Department of Justice (DOJ) School Safety Grant program. The Valders Area School District and the Hilbert School District were awarded funding last month.

“It is great to see more schools in the 25th Assembly District received funding in the latest round of school safety grants,” said Rep. Paul Tittl (R-Manitowoc).

The money can be used for building improvements and staff training. Staff may receive mental health training on Trauma Informed Care (TIC), Trauma Sensitive Schools (TSS), Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs), Peaceful Warriors, PREPaRE, and Threat Assessment and Active Shooter Response (ALICE).

“Threats come in many different forms, and mental health is another aspect of safety that is sometimes overlooked,” Rep. Tittl said. “As Chairman of the Assembly Mental Health Committee, I am glad this is being addressed in our schools with these grants because staff need the right tools to help children facing mental health challenges.”

In this round of funding, nearly \$4 million was awarded to 89 schools and school districts, with more grants to be awarded in the future. The DOJ’s Office of School

Safety administers the program as part of Wisconsin's \$100 million School Safety Grant Initiative. The initiative was established earlier this year by the legislature through 2017 Wisconsin Act 143.

For more information on the grant program and a full list of recipients, visit: <https://www.doj.state.wi.us/news-releases/ag-schimmel-announces-nearly-4-million-on-school-safety-grant-funding-89-school-districts>