

Susan Payne

Founder of Safe2Tell & 28-year Law Enforcement Veteran

Susan Payne, the Founder and Former Executive Director of the Safe2Tell non-profit prevention initiative developed as a response to the Columbine tragedy in Colorado. Susan, a 28-year law enforcement veteran, served in this role as a Detective from Colorado Springs Police Department; the first Special Agent with the Colorado Department of Public Safety, Homeland Security and she served as the Director of Safe Schools at the Colorado Attorney General's Office directing the Safe2Tell Colorado prevention initiative. Susan Payne, has assisted many states in establishing best practice intelligence gathering and information sharing initiatives to focus on prevention and early intervention. Ms. Payne currently is an advisor and speaker for Safe and Sound Schools, she trains on digital threat assessment for Safer Schools Together, and serves on the National School Safety Consortium.



The U.S. Department of Justice, The U.S. Secret Service and the U.S. Department of Education have recognized Susan as a subject matter expert in school safety, response, recovery and prevention strategies, and she is often sought out by media, schools, and law enforcement for her expertise. Ms. Payne has been invited to speak at the White House on several occasions, but specifically after Columbine, Sandy Hook and most recently after the tragedy in Parkland. Most recently, Ms. Payne was requested to speak to the Federal School Safety Commission at the White House and to Keynote at the Department of Homeland Security School Safety Round Tables in Washington D. C.

Hear from Susan Payne, and survivors of school shootings and safety incidents, at the **National Summit on School Safety**, March 28-30, 2019 in Houston, Texas. This conference is presented by Safe and Sound Schools and Region 4 Education Service Center and will focus on comprehensive school safety. With deep-dive breakout sessions, hands-on workshops, leadership round tables, inspirational keynotes, and dedicated networking, attendees will add to their school safety toolbox to better meet their community's school safety needs. Register here: <https://www.safeandsoundschools.org/national-summit-on-school-safety/>.