



The Security Foundation

Our Impact, Our History,
Our People & Our Legacy



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SECTION 1

TSF's Mission & Vision

How do you enable a safer, more secure, more connected world?

For The Security Foundation (TSF), that was the driving force that started it all over a decade ago.

The world is an evermore complex and connected community. U.S. citizens and entities need to be secure while working and traveling – they need an organization that bridges the gap between public and private institutions to enable the preservation of freedom, safety, and security.

Who We Are

TSF's driving purpose is to support U.S. organizations and citizen's right to feel secure whether at home or abroad. As a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, we take an impartial approach to connecting public and private institutions and funding of key security programs and initiatives, paving the way for unbiased collaboration, unmatched cooperation, and an unwavering commitment to supporting U.S. interests and entities around the world today, tomorrow, and far into the future.

Our goal is to create a safer, more connected world through purposeful investments, educational initiatives, and a vision geared towards future security challenges.



OUR MISSION

Enabling impactful collaboration throughout the security industry.



OUR VISION

To be the leading nonprofit convener of trusted security partnerships.



2024 DSAC Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C.



Impact by the Numbers:

BACKED BY OVER 850 ORGANIZATIONS

that support our mission and contribute to our initiatives.

PROVIDED FUNDING FOR OVER 300 OSAC

Country Chapters facilitating global security cooperation.

SUPPORTED OVER 165 EVENTS

organized by OSAC's Common Interest Committees, fostering specialized security discussions and solutions.

FUNDED 56 SPECIAL EVENTS

hosted by OSAC, addressing critical security topics and fostering collaboration.

LAUNCHED AND MAINTAINED 31

impactful TSF program initiatives designed to address evolving security challenges.

FUNDED 48 DSAC EVENTS

following our merger, enhancing domestic security efforts.



OSAC Public-Private Partnership Memorandum of Understanding signing between The Security Foundation, Elevance Health, and Wildlife Conservation Society.

SECTION 2

Our Impact

TSF has funded over 600 events as the crucial connection point between public and private organizations with a mission to drive impact in the security space and those nonprofit organizations built to do just that. With more than \$12M raised, TSF's impact is felt far and wide.

From enhancing security practices to supporting critical initiatives, our programs have made a significant difference. We share data-driven insights and real-world stories to illustrate the tangible benefits of our efforts.

Josh Phillips, Senior Director of Global Security & Resilience at Chipotle, when asked about why he's proud to support and be a member of TSF shared, "I am proud to support The Security Foundation as I believe a stronger connection between the private and public security sectors is essential to our company- and national and global- security. The collaboration and cooperation fostered by DSAC and OSAC, through TSF, has been invaluable to my team as we seek to keep our company and people safe."

It wouldn't be possible for us to make the impact we have without taking time to acknowledge where we've been and the milestones we've reached. We're proud of the history that has gotten us where we are today.

SECTION 3

Our History

Founded in 2011 from the vision of private-sector Overseas Security Advisory Council (OSAC) members, our 501(c)(3) nonprofit focuses on supporting U.S. citizens' and organizations' fundamental right to feel secure whether working or traveling, at home or abroad. With unbiased collaboration and unmatched cooperation, TSF's impartial approach is the crucial connection point between public and private organizations.

2011

Establishing the Foundation

Originally known as the International Security Foundation (ISF), we were established by private-sector members of the OSAC Executive Board to support OSAC networking and information-sharing events. Jim Snyder was the first part-time Executive Director, and John McClurg was the first Board President.

2013

Leadership Traditions and Initial Successes

Our first significant milestone was funding the OSAC event for the Nairobi Country Chapter following the Westgate Mall attack. This year also marked our first Annual TSF Dinner at the Willard Intercontinental Hotel in Washington, D.C., and the hiring of Peggy O'Neill as the first full-time Executive Director.

2014 TO
2018

Expanding Reach and Programs

TSF funding supported the launch of OSAC Africa and OSAC Middle East and North Africa. By 2015, our funding extended to sector-specific and regional programming, establishing OSAC Energy and the first OSAC Americas meeting abroad. In 2016, TSF's support enabled OSAC to create topical forums, such as the first International Travel Safety & Security Forum and the Crisis Management Forum. This period also saw Jim Snyder become the TSF Board President in 2017 succeeded by Rich Davis in 2018.

2020

Adapting to Global Challenges

During the pandemic, TSF pivoted to virtual programming, continuing our support for OSAC virtual events and launching the TSF Grants Program to fund smaller U.S. nonprofits supporting the security community. Our first recipients included Hostage US and the Diplomatic Security Foundation.

Through these milestones, TSF has grown both in scope and impact, expanding our reach to include a wide range of programs and initiatives that address evolving security challenges. Our growth is marked by strategic partnerships, successful fundraising campaigns, and a steadfast commitment to fostering public-private collaboration in the security sector.

2021 TO
2022

Celebrating Milestones

We celebrated our 10th anniversary in 2021 with a virtual reception featuring Secretary of State Madeleine Albright as the keynote speaker.

2023 TO
2024

Organizational Growth and Rebranding

In 2023, TSF merged with the Domestic Security Partnership, expanding support for public-private partnerships, and hired the first TSF Director of Programs. In January 2024, the organization officially became The Security Foundation. Dave Komendat began serving as Board President, and Siobhan Clune was promoted to Associate Executive Director.

2025 TO
2026

Security Week Launch and 15-Year Milestone

In 2025, TSF launched Security Week, convening the OSAC and DSAC Annual Meetings into a unified week-long event that strengthened collaboration across the security sector. In 2026, TSF celebrates 15 years as a trusted convener of public-private partnerships dedicated to strengthening the safety and security of U.S. citizens and interests at home and abroad.



OSAC Public-Private Partners with Secretary Blinken:
Greg Wurm, Jerry Tavares, Carlos Matus, Secretary Blinken,
Peggy O'Neill, Danny Holtzclaw.

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Our People

TSF is led by a group of trailblazers, seasoned industry veterans and essential stakeholders across the security landscape. With a common sense of purpose and unwavering commitment, we address challenging topics head on to inspire and elevate the next generation of leaders.

Our esteemed Board of Directors is comprised of industry leaders who bring their vast knowledge and networks to TSF. Their guidance and oversight are crucial in identifying impactful programs and managing relationships with partners worldwide.

Together, this talented team provides the vision and oversight to foster collaboration across the security community and strengthen our nation's security posture for the future.



Members of The Security Foundation Board of Directors meeting in Chicago, June 2024.

OUR LEADERSHIP



**Dave Komendat,
Board President (2024-present)**

Dave Komendat has been instrumental in leading TSF's strategic direction and expanding its impact. His extensive background in security management, including being a retired vice president and chief security officer for The Boeing Company, brings valuable insights to our organization.



**Peggy O'Neill, First Full-Time
Executive Director (2013-present)**

Peggy O'Neill's leadership was pivotal during TSF's formative years. Looking back, she established key programs and fostered strong relationships with stakeholders. Her efforts have and continue to set a foundation for continued growth.



Nick Lovrien, Board Member

Nick Lovrien is a seasoned security professional with a wealth of experience in both public and private sectors. Holding leadership positions in global security at organizations such as Target and, most recently, Meta, his contributions to TSF focus on enhancing public-private partnerships.



**Siobhan Clune, Associate
Executive Director (2021-present)**

Siobhan Clune plays a crucial role in advancing TSF's mission. Her expertise in nonprofit fundraising and commitment to security initiatives drive our efforts to support U.S. security interests.

Our Legacy

For over a decade, TSF has been steadfast in supporting U.S. organizations and citizens' right to feel secure, globally. Our legacy is built on a foundation of successful collaborations and impactful programs that have made a tangible difference in the security landscape.

Collaborations with OSAC and DSAC

- 2013 marked the first TSF-funded event for the U.S. Department of State's Overseas Security Advisory Council (OSAC). OSAC connects private-sector security professionals with the Diplomatic Security Service. Through risk awareness, crisis support, analysis, benchmarking, threat mitigation, and training, OSAC builds trusted networks of support.
- Beginning in 2023, TSF began to support the Domestic Security Alliance Council (DSAC) programs. DSAC is a strategic partnership between the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), and U.S. private industry. It enhances communication and the timely exchange of security and intelligence information, strengthening U.S. national and economic security.

Support for Nonprofits

- TSF recognizes the vital role that small U.S. nonprofits play in the security community. Through our nonprofit grants program and donor-directed funding, we support these organizations in their efforts to enhance security practices and protect U.S. interests.

TSF Initiatives to Promote and Advance the Security Profession

- TSF is committed to bridging gaps in the security profession by partnering with like-minded organizations. Together, we aim to increase awareness of career opportunities in the security profession among college students and early career professionals, while mentoring promising talent to ascend to leadership positions. We recognize the importance of paying it forward to ensure our industry remains dynamic in the face of an ever-evolving threat landscape.



THROUGH THE YEARS

TSF has nurtured relationships that foster trust and mutual respect, enabling us to tackle complex security challenges with a unified approach. This legacy is a testament to our commitment to making a lasting impact on the security landscape. Today, we continue to push the boundaries of what is possible, always striving to enhance the security of U.S. citizens and interests.

Part of our commitment to this mission is to continue to think about the future – the security leaders of tomorrow and things that may change, or need to change, in how we help protect our U.S. citizens and interests at home and abroad. We take security seriously, and we believe that it is crucial that U.S. citizens and companies can stay protected and secure wherever they go.