



**OAK VIEW GROUP AND PREVENT ADVISORS
LAUNCH THE INAUGURAL *SECURE VENUES SUMMIT*
COMING TO SEATTLE, MAY 6–7, 2026**

**Groundbreaking Conference Will Bring Together Leaders In Safety, Security
And Live Event Operations To Advance A Culture Of Prevention**

DENVER, CO (November 5, 2025) — [Oak View Group](#) (OVG), the global leader in venue development and solutions, hospitality, and direct investment for the sports and live entertainment industries, and [Prevent Advisors](#), a leader in safety, security, and risk management solutions for sports, entertainment, and live event venues, today announced the launch of the first-ever *Secure Venues Summit* taking place May 6–7, 2026, at the Sheraton Grand Seattle. [Registration is open now](#)

The inaugural event will convene security professionals, venue operators, public safety officials, and industry partners from across the nation for two days of immersive programming, thought leadership, and hands-on collaboration. Designed to explore both “The Why” and “The How To” of modern security practices, the Summit will examine the evolving threat landscape and provide practical strategies to help organizations better deter, prepare for, and respond to potential risks.

“The first-ever *Secure Venues Summit* represents an unprecedented opportunity to bring together the brightest minds in safety, security and venue management,” said Mike Downing, Chief Security Officer, Oak View Group and President, Prevent Advisors. “Our goal is to equip attendees with the insights, tools and partnerships necessary to not only respond to incidents but to build a proactive culture of prevention that strengthens communities and protects experiences.”

The Summit will feature keynote addresses, panel discussions, breakout sessions, fireside chats, and a live tabletop exercise, as well as networking events and an exclusive behind-the-scenes tour of one of Seattle’s most iconic venues. Topics will include emerging technologies, crowd management, fan behavior, domestic violent extremism, drone mitigation, and best practices for operations, incident management, and interagency coordination.

The Summit is open to professionals across all sectors of live entertainment, sports, cultural institutions, and venue management — from newcomers to industry veterans, and from front-line staff to senior executives.

All participants will receive:

- Two full days of programming with access to all sessions and speakers
- Admission to the Welcome Networking Event on Tuesday, May 5
- Access to the Exhibit Hall, featuring leading products and service providers
- Discounted accommodations at the Sheraton Grand Seattle (limited availability)

Registration for the *Secure Venues Summit* is now open. For more information, visit <https://securevenueessummit.com>

About Oak View Group

Oak View Group (OVG) is the global leader in live experience venue development, management, premium hospitality services, and 360-degree solutions for a collection of world-class owned venues and a client roster of arenas, stadiums, convention centers, music festivals, performing arts centers, and cultural institutions. Founded in 2015, OVG is the leading developer of major new venues either open or under development across four continents. Visit OakViewGroup.com, and follow OVG on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [LinkedIn](#), and [X](#).

About Prevent Advisors

Prevent Advisors combines the knowledge and expertise of counterterrorism experts, leaders in safety and security, and best-in-class venue operators to deliver world-class solutions to world-class clients. Led by professionals from Special Operations, law enforcement, and venue management, Prevent Advisors works with its partners to design, implement, and maintain comprehensive programs that deter bad actors, address contingencies, and mitigate the risks associated with the sophisticated threats of today and tomorrow. As enthusiastic fans of sports and live entertainment, the team at Prevent Advisors is driven by a shared mission to safeguard the experiences that create unforgettable memories and shape lives.

To learn more, visit www.preventadvisors.com.

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