



Governor Scott Requests See Something, Say Something Type App for Schools

In a press conference, Governor Rick Scott laid out his three-pronged approach to a reduction in gun violence with a focus on school shootings. In Scott's live address, he requested the implementation of a See Something, Send Something type app.

Sarasota, Florida, February 23, 2018 (Newswire.com) - In this morning's press conference, Florida State Governor Rick Scott laid out his comprehensive plan to reduce gun violence through legislative measures, harden school campuses and increase communications between students and law enforcement. Scott called for a "See Something, Say Something" style statewide app that would allow students to submit tips and communicate with police.



In January 2017, CEO Kevin Angell and the team at Crowdsourced Geofencing Solutions LLC rolled out an eight month long project known as the "See Something, Send Something app." Angell, a retired law enforcement officer and National Government Consultant, took lessons learned in the Las Vegas shooting and matched it with smart device technology. "I wanted to empower smart device users to be educated about law enforcement situations and empower them to respond with tip information and digital media evidence", Angell said when asked what sparked the idea for the app. He continued "We are in an emerging technology environment where millenials communicate through apps and are less likely to call the police or even approach them. We can either meet them in them in the middle or risk losing the connection all together".

The See Something, Send Something app hit the iOS platform in late January followed by the Android marketplace in mid-February. The functionality boasts the ability setup geofence broadcast notifications around active criminal investigations, areas of high crime, a missing person or a dangerous incident and, notify smart devices that enter the area. From there, the user can submit a tip and digital media regarding the incident through anonymous or self-identified means.

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FOUNDER AND CEO

The app also uses a pulse type notification system to alert smart devices already in a geofenced area. Angell says this is where the app could pass vital information to students in an active shooter incident. "The app would immediately notify every student to shelter in place and could be followed up with retreat information or an 'all clear' call with orders where to exit", he said.

Angell has reached out to School Districts and Law Enforcement Agencies across Florida as the app is already being used in school systems in Michigan and agencies across the country. "I am a Florida native, parent of an eighth grader and retired law enforcement officer. The app I created is directly in line with what the Governor wants to better empower and educate our students while also allowing them to communicate anonymously or self-identified", he said. "In fact, Florida Schools can use the app absolutely free", offered Angell.

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