

# Averting Targeted School Violence:

## A Summary of the USSS/NTAC Report



Report on 67 averted attacks, identifying intervention points before escalation of behavior.



- Targeted school violence is preventable when communities **identify warning signs and intervene** (threat assessment).
- Intervene **before legal consequences** become necessary.
- Students often plan attack due to **conflict with classmates**.
- **Students** can best identify and report concerning behaviors.
- **Parents & families** are critical to recognizing concerning behavior.
- **SROs** play important role in violence prevention.
- Removing a student from school **does not eliminate risk**.
- Interest in **violent/hate topics** to prompt assessment.
- Many plots associated with specific **dates of significance**.
- Many plotters had **access to weapons**.

