



The Center for Social Sustainability

Balancing the individual development of the "I am" with the group dynamics of the "We are"

"My hope in founding The Center for Social Sustainability is to deepen our understanding of the burning social issues of our time and give people and communities the practical tools for life that will enable them to meet these social issues in new and creative ways."

Kim John Payne

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Founder & Director

Kim John Payne has worked for 24 years as a counselor, adult educator, consultant/researcher and educator helping children, adolescents and families explore issues such as social difficulties with siblings and classmates, attention and behavioral issues at home and school, emotional issues such as defiance, aggression, addiction and self-esteem.

The author of the Social Inclusion Approach, a method of overcoming anti-social behavior such as bullying and teasing which has been implemented in many communities, he is presently engaged in an extensive research project, exploring and developing a drug free approach to Attention Related Disorders.

He was the Founding Director of 'The Challenge of Adolescence,' a training course for therapists, teachers and parents; the Founding Co Director of the Eastern European Institute of Spatial Dynamics (Hungary) and the Co Director of the Michael Institute of Spatial Dynamics (England).

Currently, Kim John is Project Director of the Waldorf Community Collaborative Counseling Program at Antioch University New England, a course aimed at training future Waldorf School & Family Counselors and teachers to better understand social and emotional issues of children and teens and to support home and school life. He consults in colleges, clinics and schools throughout the USA and abroad, helping teachers and parents remove emotional and social obstacles from the paths of their children.

The author of the book 'The Games Children Play,' (1996) and "Simplicity Parenting" (2009) both published by Hawthorn Press, he is currently working on a new book - The Soul of Discipline.

Kim John Payne lives with his wife and two daughters in Massachusetts.



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