January 10, 2018

## Dear Legislators:

In compliance with Government Code sections 6210 and 6216, I am pleased to present the 2017 Annual Report for the Secretary of State's Safe at Home Program. In addition to the enclosed summary and related county statistics, below are a few highlights from the past year. These enhancements to the program will broaden and strengthen our relationships with victim's advocates and assistance groups, and with other state and local government agencies:

- In October 2017, new legislation expanded enrollment eligibility to victims of human trafficking, and to household members of victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and human trafficking.
- To comply with the new law, Safe at Home revised the Enrollment Application to include these new applicants. The new application is accompanied by clear and thorough instructions, and will be mailed this month to all Enrolling Agencies in California.
- Safe at Home unveiled its new website, which was redesigned to enhance usability and clarify the services we provide for prospective Safe at Home enrollees. The roll-out appropriately coincided with Domestic Violence Awareness Month in October.
- Safe at Home became a member of the National Association of Confidential Address Programs to more actively collaborate with programs in other states. Collectively, we will provide a common voice on emerging issues impacting our programs and create greater accessibility and visibility through education and advocacy.

California's Safe at Home Program offers the most comprehensive services of any confidential address program in the United States. It remains the model for security and safety that is followed by other states.

Safe at Home's focus in 2018 is on executing an ambitious outreach and training campaign with our stakeholders and enrolling agencies. We will continue to expedite the enrollment process and provide excellent service to our participants. I welcome you to visit Safe at Home's improved website at <a href="https://www.sos.ca.gov/safeathome">www.sos.ca.gov/safeathome</a> or contact us by telephone for additional information at (916) 653-7625.

Sincerely,

Alex Padilla Secretary of State

## Secretary of State's Confidential Address Program (Safe at Home) 2017 Annual Legislative Report

Annual Mail Statistics					
Number of Mai Pieces Forwarded in 1999	11,000				
Number of Mail Pieces Forwarded in 2017	80,603				
Postage Cost in 1999	\$6,000				
Postage Cost in 2017	\$46,658				

Annual Program Data					
Total Participants served since 1999	9,918				
Total Participants on January 1, 2017	3,200				
Total Active Participants on January 1, 2018	3,412				
Total Applications received in 2017	934				
Total Participants closed in 2017	396				
Total number of Confidential Name Changes on January 1, 2018	97				
Total number of Confidential Registered Voters on January 1, 2018	681				
Total number of cases of Elections misuse	0				
Percentage of participants who are women	53%				
Percentage of participants who are men	10%				
Percentage of participants who are children	37%				

Annual Participation by County						
Alameda	123	Marin	62	San Mateo	44	
Alpine	0	Mariposa	5	Santa Barbara	23	
Amador	6	Mendocino	3	Santa Clara	160	
Butte	27	Merced	11	Santa Cruz	34	
Calaveras	1	Modoc	0	Shasta	35	
Colusa	0	Mono	0	Sierra	0	
Contra Costa	128	Monterey	24	Siskiyou	8	
Del Norte	9	Napa	17	Solano	45	
El Dorado	29	Nevada	18	Sonoma	39	
Fresno	70	Orange	359	Stanislaus	31	
Glenn	1	Placer	82	Sutter	17	
Humboldt	17	Plumas	2	Tehama	7	
Imperial	2	Riverside	150	Trinity	1	
Inyo	0	Sacramento	287	Tulare	27	
Kern	25	San Benito	0	Tuolumne	0	
Kings	15	San Bernardino	165	Ventura	53	
Lake	11	San Diego	312	Yolo	16	
Lassen	0	San Francisco	89	Yuba	1	
Los Angeles	687	San Joaquin	46	Out of State	50	
Madera	6	San Luis Obispo	24			