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California Secretary of State

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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

### **Secretary of State Padilla, Senator Leyva to Announce Inclusion of Victims of Human Trafficking in State's Confidential Address Program**

**SACRAMENTO** – California Secretary of State Alex Padilla and Senator Connie M. Leyva (D-Chino) are announcing the expansion of California's Safe at Home confidential address program to serve victims of human trafficking. They will be joined by WEAVE, Inc. CEO Beth Hassett. WEAVE is a nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting survivors of sexual assault, domestic violence and sex trafficking.

In 2017, Governor Jerry Brown signed SB 597—authored by Senator Leyva and sponsored by Secretary of State Padilla—making victims of human trafficking eligible for the Safe at Home program. SB 597 also makes household members of all Safe at Home applicants eligible to enroll in the program. As part of the program's expansion, the Secretary of State has updated the program's website, informational materials, and enrollment forms. New online tools will make it easier for prospective participants to find and access resources.

[Click here to visit the Safe at Home program website](#)

Established in 1999, Safe at Home is California's confidential address program administered by the California Secretary of State's office. The program, which provides a free P. O. Box and mail forwarding service, is designed to help victims and survivors of domestic violence, stalking or sexual assault start new lives in peace and to provide added protections to their overall safety plans. The program also serves reproductive health care doctors, nurses, volunteers, and patients.

**\*Media planning to attend should RSVP to [sos.press@sos.ca.gov](mailto:sos.press@sos.ca.gov)**

**WHAT: Safe at Home Confidential Address Program Press Conference**

**WHO: California Secretary of State Alex Padilla  
State Senator Connie M. Leyva  
WEAVE CEO Beth Hassett**

**WHEN: Tuesday, February 13, 2018  
11:00 a.m.**

**WHERE: WEAVE  
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