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Mr. Gregory Schmidt
Secretary of the Senate
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

Mr. E. Dotson Wilson
Chief Clerk of the Assembly
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

VIA EMAIL AND HAND DELIVERY

Dear Mr. Schmidt and Mr. Wilson:

Attached is my office's annual report on the California confidential mail forwarding program "Safe at Home," which is required by California Government Code sections 6210 and 6216. If you have any questions about this report, please feel free to contact me at (916) 653-7244.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Debra Bowen".

Debra Bowen
Secretary of State

Attachment

cc: Ms. Diane Boyer-Vine, Legislative Counsel



CALIFORNIA SAFE AT HOME



CALIFORNIA SAFE AT HOME LEGISLATIVE REPORT

2012

All People *freely*
“Thank you for giving us the freedom
and peace of mind we needed. We are
blessed! Freedom at last to live without
fear.” *instruct*

assemble
- Safe at Home Participant *common good*

responsible *Speak*

Liberty



Because every Californian
should feel and be
Safe at Home

without discrimination



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I am pleased to present the California Safe at Home 2012 Annual Report required by Government Code sections 6210 and 6216.

Thanks to a new law that I sponsored, this new year brings several improvements to the Safe at Home program. Now participating minors are allowed to renew program participation when they turn 18 years old. Stalking victims can now enroll without being required to submit evidence of being stalked.

I am proud of the diligent work done every day to protect home addresses of hundreds of Californians. For more details about this program that has served as a model for other states, please visit sos.ca.gov or call my office.

Debra Bowen
Secretary of State

Safe at Home 2012 Summary of Statistics

Number of participants served since 1999:	6,826	Mail pieces forwarded in 2012:	116,42
Number of participants on January 1, 2012:	2,883	Mail pieces forwarded in 1999:	11,000
Number of current active participants:	3,067	Postage costs in 2012:	\$48,730
Number of cases closed in 2012:	476	Postage costs in 1999:	\$6,000
Number of applications rejected in 2012:	64	Counties with highest enrollment:	Los Angeles [616] San Diego [343] Orange [287] Sacramento [222] San Bernardino [166]
Percentage of participants who are women:	55%	Number of participants who were registered voters in 2012:	1,045
Percentage of participants who are men:	6%	Number of cases of misuse relating to elections:	0
Percentage of participants who are children:	39%		
Average length of enrollment:	3.6 years		

Participation by County

Alameda	132	Madera	17	San Luis Obispo	27
Alpine	0	Marin	31	San Mateo	30
Amador	4	Mariposa	7	Santa Barbara	24
Butte	52	Mendocino	2	Santa Clara	125
Calaveras	1	Merced	9	Santa Cruz	22
Colusa	0	Modoc	1	Shasta	37
Contra Costa	75	Mono	0	Sierra	0
Del Norte	1	Monterey	25	Siskiyou	10
El Dorado	17	Napa	8	Solano	33
Fresno	92	Nevada	12	Sonoma	35
Glenn	14	Orange	287	Stanislaus	33
Humboldt	13	Placer	54	Sutter	15
Imperial	5	Plumas	1	Tehama	5
Inyo	0	Riverside	141	Trinity	1
Kern	27	Sacramento	222	Tulare	52
Kings	8	San Benito	3	Tuolumne	5
Lake	16	San Bernardino	166	Ventura	40
Lassen	0	San Diego	343	Yolo	22
Los Angeles	616	San Francisco	80	Yuba	9
		San Joaquin	35	Out-of-State	25