Expanding California’s Safe at Home Program
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Presentation Objectives

By the end of this presentation, you will have a better understanding about:

1. CA Safe at Home program
2. Who we serve
3. Recent program expansion
4. What’s next for Safe at Home
Safe at Home Program

- Address Confidentiality Program for the state of California, administered by the California Secretary of State’s Office.
- Services include mail forwarding, acting as a service of process agent, confidential name changes, confidential voter registration, and DMV records suppression.
- Partner with over 200 government agencies and nonprofits, who act as enrolling agencies.
- www.sos.ca.gov/registries/safe-home
Safe at Home Program Data

Currently: 6,212 total participants
All Time: 15,227 total participants served
Annually: 12% average growth in last five years

Monthly Average:

- 128 applicants enrolled
- 11,396 pieces of mail processed
- 75 enrolling agency staff trained
- 12 participants register as confidential voters
- 6 participants complete a confidential name change
Then to Now: Who We Serve

1999 - Domestic Violence Victims
2000 - Stalking Victims
2002 - Reproductive Health Care Providers, Workers, Volunteers, and Patients
2006 - Sexual Assault Victims
2017 - Human Trafficking Victims
2018 - Elderly/Dependent Adult Abuse Victims
2020 - Public Health Officials/Local Health Officers (Executive Order)
2022 - Public Entity Employees/Contractors
What is Senate Bill (SB) 1131?
It expanded Safe at Home program eligibility to include public entity employees and contractors who are in fear for their safety and have experienced threats of violence, violence, or harassment because of their work for a public entity.

Are there differences in requirements and services?
• Application fee
• Attestations and documentation requirements
• Services are the same
SB 1131 Program Expansion (cont)

What has been the impact?

- Created forms and procedures
- Established a payment system
- Modified database
- Identified and trained enrolling agencies who could assist
- Trained Safe at Home staff
- Conducted presentations
- Enrolled 14 public entity applicants
Looking Ahead

• Additional funding
• More staffing
• Focused outreach
• Improved database
• Data collection and analysis
• Increase the number of enrolling agencies
• Increase the number of participants
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