



As a survivor of sexual abuse and domestic violence, I have a clear perspective and understanding of the dynamics at play while escaping a domestic violence relationship with children. I have also endured spousal rape, stalking, and witness intimidation, which lend to my very unique understanding of the challenges that many survivors of domestic violence experience in the aftermath. I use these experiences, as well as the education and certifications I have obtained, to fight for my clients and their children's freedom from abuse as though I were fighting for myself and my own children.

My strength, determination, and perseverance continue to drive me to empower victims to become survivors and help them learn to thrive after abuse by providing resources for safe-housing, self-defense; safety planning; education on domestic violence and associated psychological issues affecting victims; as well as counseling and connections to legal assistance.

By a survivor, for survivors.



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Curriculum Vitae



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Summary

Over 10 years of combined personal and professional experience in domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and child abuse.

Professionally trained, educated, and mentored by National Educator, Speaker, Published Author, and Expert in the field of victim advocacy and psychology, and Founder and Educator of California Cognitive Behavioral Institute; Dr. Kathie Mathis, Psy.D.

Experience

March 2019 - Present

RIGHT TO PROTECT

President / Founder / Executive Director

Provide supportive services and resources to victims and survivors of domestic violence, sexual violence, human trafficking, and stalking; assisting those whom we serve with everything from escaping their situation to living a healthy and productive life thereafter.

February 2022 - Present

CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF ANGER MANAGEMENT PROVIDERS (CAAMP)

Board Secretary

Professional Memberships

July 2020

CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF ANGER MANAGEMENT PROVIDERS (CAAMP)

July 2020

NATIONAL ANGER MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION (NAMA) - FELLOW

July 2020

WAYPOINT, ONTARIO DOMESTIC ASSAULT RISK ASSESSMENT (ODARA)

April 2020

AMERICAN COUNSELING ASSOCIATION (ACA)

Education

California Cognitive Behavioral Institute (CCBI)

September 2022

CERTIFIED POSITIVE PARENTING INSTRUCTOR

High Conflict Resolution, Counseling, & Mediation

May 2022

CERTIFIED CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION & INTERVENTION

In accordance with California Penal Code 273 & California Basic Core Requirements

September 2020

CERTIFIED HUMAN TRAFFICKING ADVOCATE

In accordance with California Title 13 & Penal Code 14308, State of California SB 80, US Code, Title 22, Chapter 78

June 2020

CERTIFIED ANGER MANAGEMENT SPECIALIST - LEVEL II

May 2020

CERTIFIED BATTERER INTERVENTION FACILITATOR

In accordance with California Evidence Code 1203.098

April 2020

CERTIFIED DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ADVOCATE

In accordance with California Evidence Code 1037.1

April 2020

CERTIFIED COURT ADVOCATE

Alliance for HOPE International

Training Institute on Strangulation Prevention

March 2022

ADVANCED TRAINING ON STRANGULATION PREVENTION

December 2021

INVESTIGATING STRANGULATION

California Department of Healthcare Services (CDHS)

July 2021

ACES AWARE - ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES

Office of Victims of Crime (OVC)

November 2021

NATIONAL ADVOCATE CREDENTIALING PROGRAM (NACP) LEVEL I

July 2020

UNDERSTANDING HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA)

February 2022

CASA TRAINED COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATE

National Rifle Association (NRA)

November 2020

CERTIFIED BASIC PISTOL INSTRUCTOR, MARKSMAN LEVEL 4

ABOUT US

The founding of Right to Protect was inspired by the Founder & CEO's own personal first hand experience escaping domestic violence, spousal rape, and stalking from a law enforcement family.

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FOR SURVIVORS**



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WHAT WE DO

OUR MISSION

Providing supportive services and resources to victims and survivors of domestic violence, sexual violence, human trafficking, and stalking.

OUR VISION

Assist those whom we serve with everything from escaping their situation to living a healthy and productive life thereafter.

SUPPORTIVE SERVICES & RESOURCES

True and active advocacy for victims and survivors of Domestic Violence, Sexual Violence, Human Trafficking and Stalking.

Cognitive Behavioral Counseling to support victims and survivors on their path to lasting healing and recovery.

Safe at Home program enrollment and Confidential Identity Change assistance.

And More...

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IF YOU FEEL LED TO GIVE...

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Enrolling Agency Certificate of Designation



The State of California
Secretary of State's Office
Safe at Home, Confidential Address Program
hereby grants



safe at home
California's Confidential Address Program

Right To Protect

this Certificate of Enrolling Agency Designation.

Enrolling Agency Designation

will begin on this day and
expire four years from this date:

January 13, 2023

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Liz Hall".

Liz Hall
Program Director, Safe at Home Program
California Secretary of State

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Iren Arutyunyan".

Iren Arutyunyan
Training Coordinator, Safe at Home Program
California Secretary of State

How does the Program work?

- ▶ Mail is forwarded to participants at least three days per week.
- ▶ All Service of Process documents are delivered to the Safe at Home Program and then forwarded to the participant via certified mail.
- ▶ The initial enrollment period is four years.
- ▶ Participants have the option to renew every four years.
- ▶ Government agencies are notified, in writing, of a participant's withdrawal or termination from the Program.
- ▶ All first class, certified and registered mail is forwarded to the participant's mailing address on file with Safe at Home, at no cost to the participant.
- ▶ Safe at Home does not forward packages, magazines, catalogues, prescriptions, liquids, or fragile items.



Enrolling Agency: Right to Protect
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Safe at Home Program
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safe at home
California's Confidential Address Program

Safe at Home

CALIFORNIA'S CONFIDENTIAL ADDRESS PROGRAM

General Information



What is California’s Safe at Home Program?

Safe at Home is a confidential address program administered by the California Secretary of State’s Office. When used as part of an overall safety plan, Safe at Home offers program participants a substitute mailing address to receive first class, certified, and registered mail.

Once a participant qualifies for the free program, the Safe at Home P.O. Box becomes their official address. State and local government agencies are required to accept the Safe at Home address on the participants’ identification card; however private companies and the federal government are not.

Who is eligible?

Applicants are eligible to participate if they:

- ▶ Reside in California
- ▶ Are a victim of domestic violence, stalking, sexual assault, human trafficking, elder or dependent adult abuse, or a reproductive health care worker
- ▶ Are a household member of a victim listed above
- ▶ Are in fear for their safety, or for the safety of a minor child or incapacitated adult

What are the services provided?

Safe at Home provides the following:

- ▶ Confidential mail forwarding
- ▶ Agent for Service of Process
- ▶ Confidential voter registration
- ▶ Use of the designated Safe at Home address and PO Box number by California state, county, and local government agencies when creating or modifying a public record
- ▶ Renewable Safe at Home enrollment

Once enrolled, you can choose from several services that may strengthen your overall safety plan. Optional services offered by other California government agencies include:

- ▶ Department of Motor Vehicles Records Suppression Program
- ▶ Confidential name change petition through the California Superior Court system
- ▶ Confidential Vehicle Smog Certificate through the Bureau of Automotive Repair
- ▶ Online privacy protection through the office of the California Attorney General.

How do I apply?

If you are interested in participating in Safe at Home, you should make an appointment with a designated Enrolling Agency. You can find locations of Enrolling Agencies online at www.sos.ca.gov/safeathome or by calling **(877) 322-5227**.

When you meet with an Enrolling Agency counselor and understand the purpose of the Safe at Home Program, the counselor will assist you in completing the application process. Completed application materials are sent to Safe at Home for review and approval. Once approved, the applicant receives an enrollment packet containing resource information and an official identification card for use in business or public transactions that require a mailing or street address. By law, state and local agencies must accept the Safe at Home address displayed on the identification card. However, private entities or businesses, or the federal government are not required to accept or honor the Safe at Home Program assigned address.

What happens after my application is submitted?

Safe at Home will review your application. Upon approval, you will be assigned a P.O. Box and a unique four digit identification number. In combination, this number along with your assigned P.O. Box becomes your new Safe at Home mailing address.



WHO NEEDS TO COMPLY (Taken directly from Safe at Home website)

- 1. State and Local Government

Pursuant to Government Code, sections, 6207 and 6215.5 a program participant may request California state, county, city agencies and the courts to use his or her designated Safe at Home mailing address . When creating or modifying a public record (excluding the record of any birth, fetal death, death, or marriage certificates), state and local government agencies shall accept the designated address as a program participant's substitute address, unless the California Secretary of State's office has determined both of the following:

1. The agency has a bona-fide statutory or administrative requirement for the use of the address which would otherwise be confidential under this chapter.
2. The address will be used only for those statutory and administrative purposes and shall not be publically disseminated.

- 2. Private Businesses

California businesses can play an important role in preventing the exchange and sale of confidential address information. According to Section 6208.1(b)(1) of the Government Code, a Safe at Home participant may make a written demand of a person, business, or association to remove any display of their home address or telephone number from the internet.

The California legislature has provided Safe at Home participants with a civil remedy for failure to comply with their demand. However, the Safe at Home program does not monitor or enforce compliance.

- 3. Information for Banks:

A ruling (FIN-2009-R003) by the United States Department of Treasury Financial Crimes Enforcement Network or FinCEN, issued on November 3, 2009, allows financial institutions to use an address designated by the Safe at Home Program instead of the confidential residential address of the participant.

- 4. Schools

Schools may have an administrative need to know a program participant's residential address to determine students' district zone, as well as for administrative and emergency purposes. While public schools must keep the program participants residential address confidential, it is further recommended that all schools use the Safe at Home Program participant's designated Safe at Home mailing address on any mailings and public documents.

- 5. Law Enforcement

California law requires all local and state government agencies to accept a Safe at Home Program participant's designated mailing address. Law enforcement agencies are not excluded from this rule. Law enforcement agencies are expected to comply with the same statutory obligations as any other state or local government agency.

- 6. Real Estate Transactions

The California legislature, in Government Code Section 6209.5(a), authorizes Safe at Home participants to request that their residential address be replaced on real property deeds, change of ownership forms and deeds of trust with their Safe at Home designated mailing address. The legislature requires California government agencies to comply with the participant's request per Government Code 6207(a)(1) unless certain governmental circumstances apply.

While Safe at Home cannot provide legal services or advice in accordance with the above Government Codes, listed below are the links to professional legal services and state and county agencies where Safe at Home participants may seek professional legal advice.

California Bar Association (Includes addresses and telephone numbers of legal providers by county): <http://www.calbar.ca.gov/public/lawyerreferralserviceslrs.aspx>

California County Bar Associations (Lists all available county bar associations):

<http://www.barassociationdirectory.com/ca/>

Accepting the Designated Safe at Home Mailing Address:

- The Safe at Home program participant will present his or her Safe at Home laminated Authorization ID card to you.
- The Authorization ID card will contain the participants name on file with the program, his or her program identification number, the designated mailing address, and an expiration date.
- Call the Safe at Home program, toll-free, at (877) 322-5227, to confirm the active status of a program participant.

VICTORY



On 12/21/2021 we accomplished, what we expect to be (God willing), one of many *victories* for our clients.

A client had a situation where their District Attorney's Office decided against taking appropriate action against a batterer by rejecting the case for criminal prosecution. Due to certain details of the handling of said case, we believed that decision to be a recklessly negligent abuse of prosecutorial discretion. We fought on behalf of our client, all the way up to the state level authorities, putting pressure on the DA's Office; resulting in them reopening the case for investigation and deciding to charge the batterer with 4 felonies, 2 with great bodily injury enhancements.

We are all very pleased and excited with this outcome, our client included.

A victim should not have to die or sustain life threatening injuries before the system decides to act.

*In February of 2022 this client's batterer was taken into custody, his bail set at \$250K.

*On September 27, 2022, our client's batterer was sentenced to prison after accepting a plea deal.

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REVIEWS

“When I left the abusive relationship I was in, I could not imagine my own future. I was so blinded by the abuse I had suffered that I did not believe I could survive on my own, but I also knew if I went back I would die by my abuser’s hands. The abuse had left me so isolated and distrusting of myself that the only people I knew were people manipulated by the abuser to believe that he was being victimized by me after I left. Yet, the lingering threat of him coming after me continued to control my life. A former co-worker and friend introduced me to Nadeya at Right to Protect while I was staying in a shelter. From that point on, Nadeya walked me through my healing every step of the way. When I was scared, feeling afraid that the abuser’s lies would win in court, she reassured me that the feelings I was experiencing were absolutely normal and that my fears were valid. Anytime I needed to talk to someone about what I was experiencing, Nadeya was that person. Nadeya knew exactly how to help me. She also helped to educate me and help me reflect on how I ended up in the abusive relationship and how I could better protect myself from toxic and predatory people in the future. As time went on, I began to gain more confidence through my work with Nadeya. I began to see a positive future, a light at the end of the tunnel. Nadeya was able to advise and recommend other services that would help me feel safe like firearms training, self-defense classes, security systems, and developing better safety habits while I was outside my home. Today, I feel safer and more prepared to handle the potential aftermath that may come. I could not have done this without the help of Nadeya at Right to Protect, and I’m encouraged to pay-it-forward to any other victims out there. Nadeya’s experience and training has proven to be a million times more valuable in improving my mental health and empowering me to protect myself in every way. My hope is that she is able to grow her organization and help many more victims, because she knows where the system fails victims upon their exits from abusive relationships, and she has taken the time to learn to fill those gaps and empower victims in taking back control over their own lives.” ~ Anonymous DV Survivor & Client (September 2021)

“Right to Protect is a valuable resource for victims of domestic violence who feel trapped in an abusive relationship. As a practicing family law attorney who has handled family law cases throughout the state, my clients are provided with vital services needed to escape the ensnaring tactics that the abuser will all too-often utilize in order to keep their victims without resources to get out of the abusive relationship. I have been grateful for the impact RTP has had on the self-empowerment of my clients, and the many vital services and support offered throughout the litigation process which in turn dramatically increases their chances of success in their legal matters against the abuser(s). Their services are truly amazing, and their staff are very personalized and attentive to the clients' needs. If you, or a friend, a family member, or a loved one need to get out of an abusive situation or relationship, or if you are a legal professional representing victims of domestic violence, you cannot afford to overlook this valuable organization!” --Michael Kalanta, Esq. Family Law Attorney (August 2021)

“I can’t say how thankful I am for Nadeya and her services. She helped me through a dangerous domestic violence situation before her organization came to fruition! Since then, she has gone above and beyond for my children and me in assisting me in avenues to feel safe from my perpetrator. She has used the traumas she has faced and turned them into good helping those who feel helpless and are so terrified thinking there’s no safe way out. I am forever grateful for her and her organization. I have since met women in similar situations and have been able to send them to Nadeya for her services. If you need help and don’t know where to go please know she is a safe place, if you’re a donor looking to give to a cause that really others people please give to Right to Protect, I cannot stress enough how important her organization is for fellow women. Thank you right to protect for helping my family and me feel safe and move on in life you are beyond a blessing.” ~Anonymous DV Survivor & Client (September 2020)

“This nonprofit does outstanding work for victims of trauma. The passion, dedication, honesty, and empowerment they provide in recovery of trauma and resources helps the Survivor feel that there is hope for a bright future. I know the executive director/president and she is very dedicated to the work and to the clients who come to her.” ~ Dr. Kathie Mathis (September 2020)

"You're one of the few people I know who has God's heart for people."
~Anonymous DV Survivor & Client (June 2020)