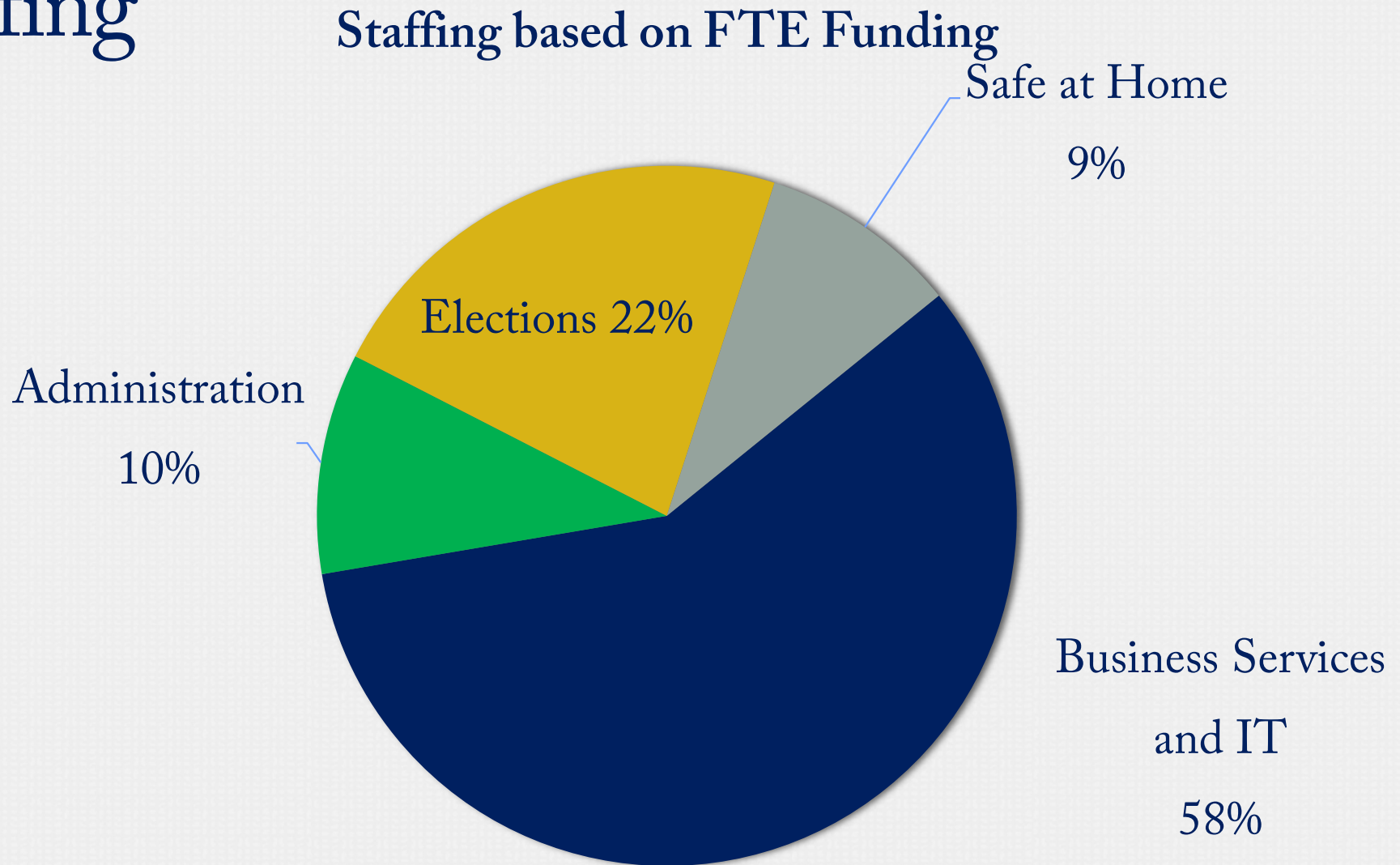


Office of the Minnesota
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Office Overview 2023

Office of the Secretary of State Staffing



Business Services

- Approve and file articles of incorporation and amendments for all business and nonprofit organizations operating in the state
- Provide online and in-person services including:
 - business name filings and searches
 - filing articles and renewals
 - ordering copies and certificates

Business Services UCC Division

- Record documents filed under the Uniform Commercial Code (UCC) regarding collateral pledged to secure loans
- Administer the Central Notification System (CNS) for farm product liens
- File and maintain statewide federal tax liens

Business Services

- New business filings in 2021: 92,411
- Total business filings in 2021: over 500,000
 - *Including: Web, mail, and counter filings*

Business Services – New Initiatives

- Bogus Filer Protections & Remedy
- Structured Settlement Purchase
Company Registration

Contributor to the General Fund

\$27 million per biennium (net)

\$13.5 million per year

Administration

- Administers the Open Appointments process
- Certifies Official Documents
- Maintains the Original Chapter Laws
- Serves on the Executive Council and State Board of Investment
- Provides constituent services, working with state, federal, and local elected officials, and constituents on behalf of the Office



Safe at Home

Minnesota's Address Confidentiality Program

- Enacted by legislature in 2006
- Provide an address participants can use for all purposes—including legal service
- Receive participants' mail, repackage it, and forward it on daily basis
- Partner with over 300 victim advocates statewide
- Participation has increased from less than 200 in the first year to serving over 4,500 individuals in 2022, experiencing an average growth of 20% every year.

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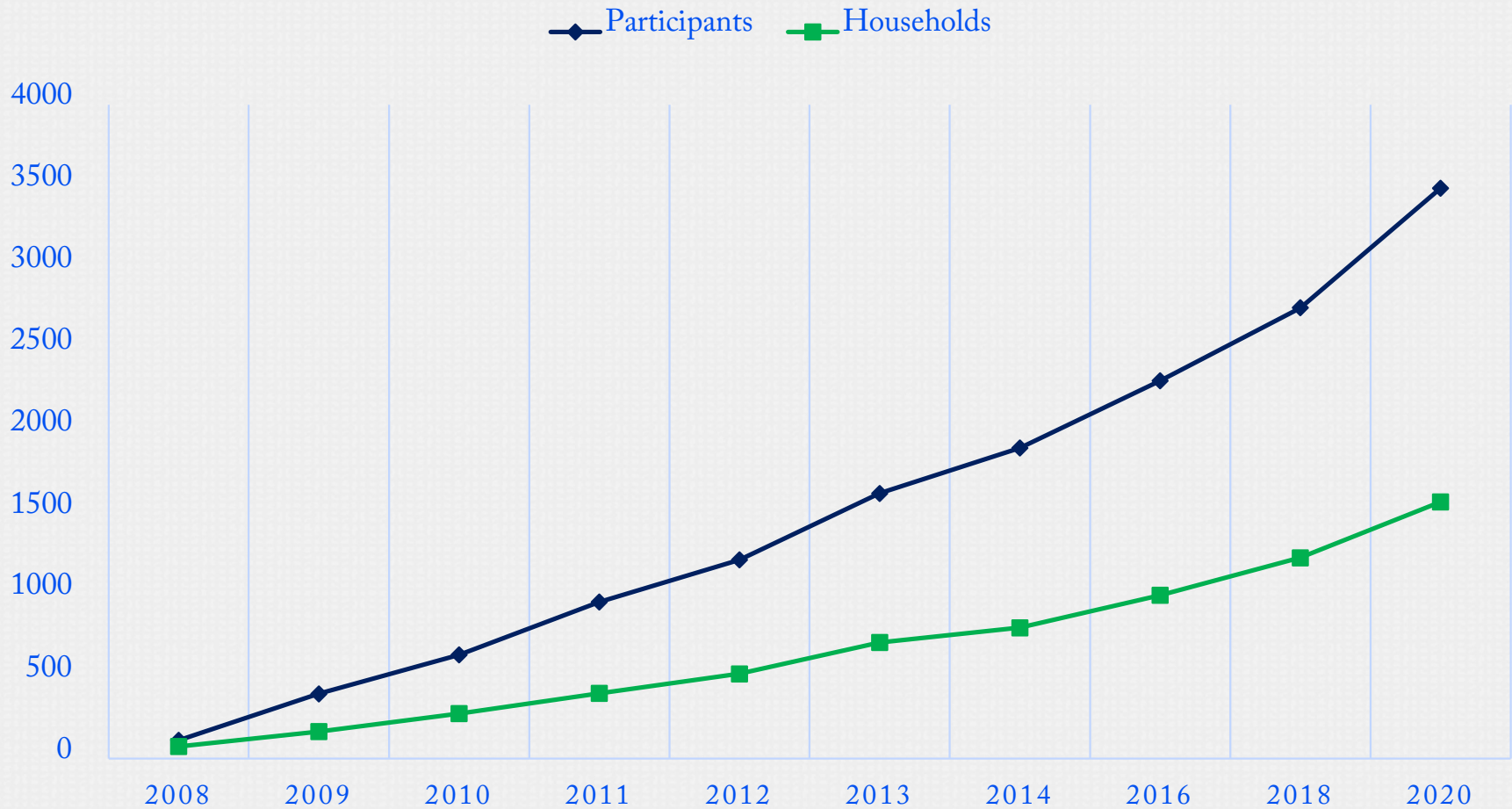




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SAFE AT HOME PARTICIPATION





Safe at Home

Minnesota's Address Confidentiality Program

- Provide voter registration services and administers absentee voting for eligible participants.
- For each registered voter in the Safe at Home Program, ballots are requested from counties and mailed to participants from Safe at Home
- Safe at Home accepts the ballots and forward the ballot to the appropriate county for counting

Praise for  **Safe at Home**
Minnesota's Address Confidentiality Program

“My children are thriving and are finally able to be stable.”

“This program has given my family and I our life back. My abuser has not been able to find us due to this program.”

“The program has changed my life. I feel like I can lead a semi-normal life again, and my daughter is safe.”

“Although the person that attacked me has tried to find me, he has not been successful due to Safe at Home. Thank you so much for this program.”

“Our ‘public information’-based society makes it impossible to get away from abusive partners without a program like Safe at Home.”

Election Administration

Election Division

21 Full Time Employees

- 9 FTEs in Elections Administration
- 9 FTE in Elections IT Systems Development
- 2 FTE in Elections Cybernavigation Division
- 1 FTE and 1 temporary employee in Elections Outreach

Election Administration

Voter Outreach

- Work with the Office's Disability Advisory Committee on voting issues and outreach
- Encourage youth civic engagement and civic engagement among other historically disenfranchised communities
- Partner with business and sports communities to promote upcoming elections and voting

Election Administration

Voter Outreach

- Vote hotline for voter information
- Elections 101 presentations for nonprofits, schools, community organizations, and corporate partners
- Youth outreach and civic education through Students Voting and Democracy Cup
- Voter registration and education toolkits
- Produces voting fact sheets and videos in 11 languages