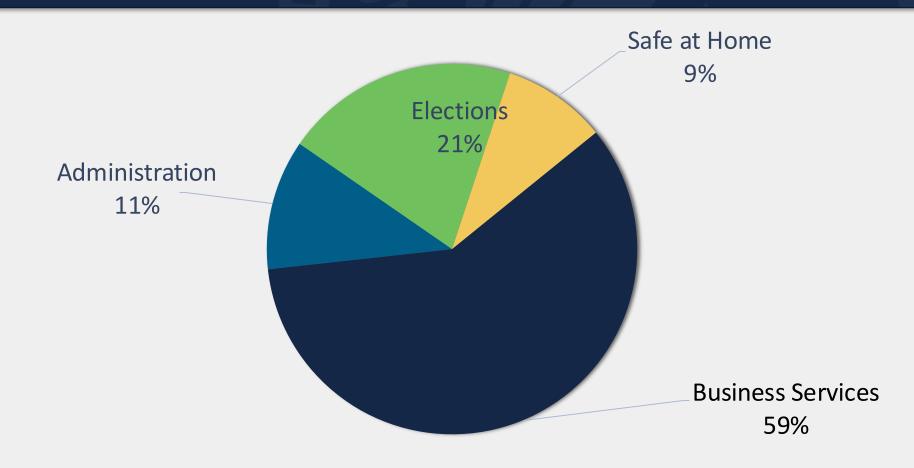
# Office of Minnesota Secretary of State

### Office Overview 2025

The Office of the Minnesota Secretary of State Steve Simon

#### Staffing by Division



#### **Business Services**

- Business Organization Filings
- Universal Commercial Code (UCC)
- Central Notification System (CNS)
- Federal Tax Leans
- Notary
- Apostille

#### **Business Services - New Laws**

- UCC Bogus Filers (August 2022)
- Structured Settlement Purchase Company Registration (January 2023)
- Corporate Transparency Act Beneficial Ownership Information Requirements (January 2024)

#### Total Filings

Total Filings in 2024: 970,193

New Entities in 2024: 68,132

#### Contributor to the General Fund

#### \$29 million per biennium (net)

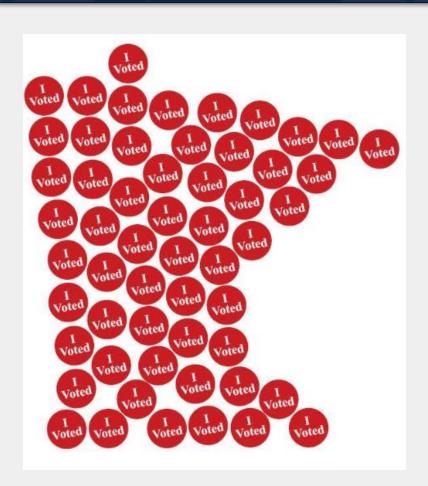
\$14.5 million per year

#### **Elections Division**

**Elections Administration** 

Election Security Navigators

Voter Outreach



#### **Election Administration**

- Chief state election official
- Train and certify county election administrators
- Administer the Statewide Voter Registration System (SVRS)
- Administer database of candidates and election results
- Test and certify election equipment
- Post-election audits
- Rulemaking authority
- Develop and support online voter tools

#### **Election Administration - Grants**

#### Grant and reimbursement programs since 2017

- Voting Equipment Grants: \$11 Million
- HAVA Security and Accessibility Grants: \$3 Million
- CARES Act Grants: \$4.99 Million
- Drop Box Grants: \$2 Million
- Presidential Primary Reimbursement 2020:\$9.5 Million
- Voter Fund: \$3 Million each year starting in 2023
- Presidential Primary Reimbursement in 2024: \$10.7 Million
- Voter Accessibility Grants: \$0.5 Million

# Election Administration - New Law Implementation

Restore the Vote

Automatic Voter Registration

Early Voting Expansion

Language
Access
Requirements

Pre-Registration for 16/17 Year Olds

Minnesota
Voting Rights
Act

#### Election Security Navigators

















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#### **Administration Division**

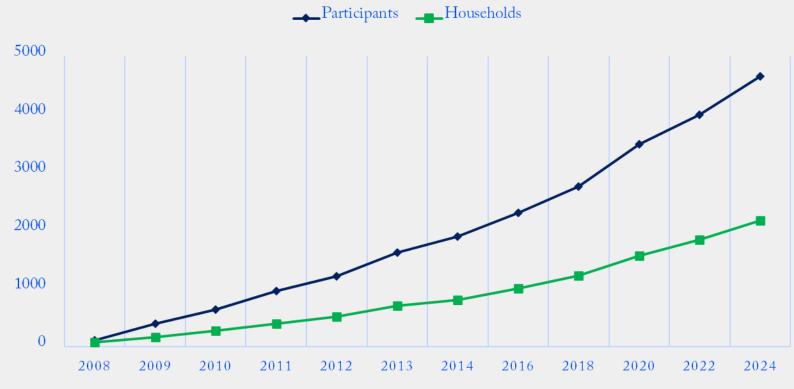
- Administers the Open Appointments process
- Certifies Official Documents (4,743 filed in 2024, a 37 percent increase compared to 2020)
- Supports 314 boards and commissions (46.7 percent increase since FY 15)
- Maintains the Original Chapter Laws
- Serves on the Executive Council and State Board of Investment
- Provides constituent services, working with state, federal, and local elected officials, and constituents on behalf of the Office



- Provide an address participants can use for all purposes—including legal service
- Receive participants' mail, repackage it, and forward it on daily basis.
- Administers absentee balloting for participants
- Partner with 98 social service agencies statewide encompassing 384 application assistants who assist the program by enrolling participants

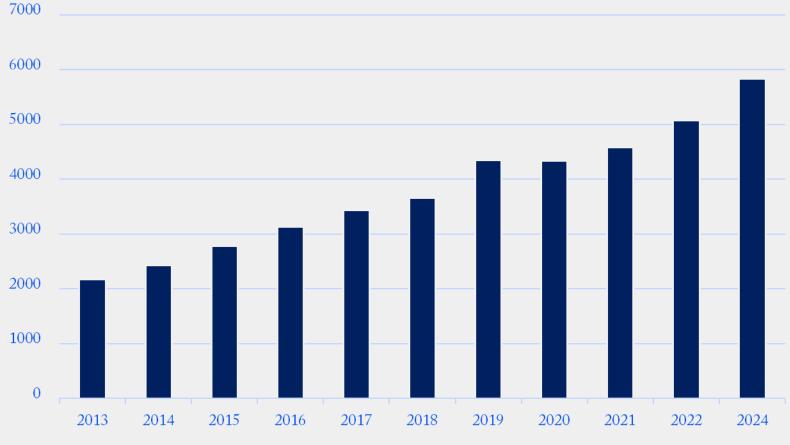


## ACTIVE PARTICIPANTS AS OF DECEMBER 31





#### Total Served Per Calendar Year





	2022	2024	% Increase
Number of Applications Received	961	1,117	16%
Number of Active Participants as of December 31st	3,992	4,652	16%
Number of Active Households as of December 31st	1,837	2,170	18%
Number of Applicants and Participants Served	5,078	5,835	15%
Postage Costs	\$109,000	\$153,963	41%
Number of Outgoing Envelopes	111,535	137,555	23%



"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."

#### Budget Request

 Operating increase to maintain current service levels (\$1.7 Million FY26-27)

 Request in Elections: Help America Vote Act match (\$200,000)

# Questions?

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