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eAlert: Safe Haven Taskforce Invitation

Subject:



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Good Morning:

This is to alert you of the upcoming Safe Haven Taskforce (SHTF) meeting: Santa Clara County Safe Haven Taskforce 2:30 PM ~ 4:30 PM September 16, 2004. Location: Sheriff's Auditorium 55 West Younger Avenue, San Jose, CA 95110 County parking permits will be sent upon request if respond within RSVP deadline. RSVP by September 10, 2004 to (408) 299-5040 or ashlee.oh@bos.sccgov.org (Email response preferred)

Invitations are being mailed out today. Please be advised that numerous County agency directors, departmental directors and relevant staff have been included in the current mailing list to ensure that the Taskforce has adequate staffing and expertise: Board of Supervisors, County Executive, SCVHHS, SSA, Court, DA, Sheriff, Fire, County Counsel, etc. I am attaching a copy of Supervisor Beall's invitation letter.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 299.5040. Thank you.

(See attached file: Invitation SHTF 8-26-04.doc)

Health Policy Board Aide to Supervisor James T. Beall, Jr. Santa Clara County Government Center 70 West Hedding Street, East Wing, 10th Floor San Jose, California 95110

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I would like to extend an invitation to participate in the Santa Clara County Safe Haven Taskforce. Baby abandonment has become a crisis in our community in spite of the fact that the Safely Surrendered Baby Law went into effect in January 2001. This year three infants have been abandoned in Santa Clara County.

Upon my recommendation, the Board of Supervisors recently approved creation of a Safe Haven Taskforce to develop recommendations within 90 days that will achieve the goal of no babies being abandoned in Santa Clara County. The Board also adopted a resolution designating County Fire stations as "Safe Surrender" sites to allow safe and confidential release of newborn infants in the County of Santa Clara. The Taskforce will require countywide collaborative efforts and is essential to ensure the preventive facet of the Safe Haven Law; enhancing services to women childbearing age and their families; and designing and implementing a widespread public information campaign.

Your participation is critical to our success. Please RSVP by **September 10th** and include where Sub-Committee of the Taskforce you would like to participate in. Please see attachment for and brief description of each sub-committee.

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I look forward to collaborating with you to ensure that no babies are abandoned again in our community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

James T. Beall, Jr. Chairperson, Santa Clara County Safe Haven Taskforce Supervisor, District Four