



*Our mission is to strengthen, collaborate, and represent the interests of state confidential address programs from across the nation.*

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT – DIANNA UMIDON

This is an exciting era in the address confidentiality program community. After almost three decades of growth in popularity, a number of states with address confidentiality programs made the decision together to formalize as a group. 2016 marked the beginning of the National Association of Confidential Address Programs, otherwise known as NACAP. Together we will identify common needs, establish best practices, lean on one another's expertise, share knowledge, raise the profile of the address confidentiality program community to the national level, and become stronger while appreciating the independence of each state's program. Every status quo-changing mechanism has a beginning and ours is now. There is no looking back. There is only looking forward. Together, we will become stronger and find a national voice. I urge every member state to get involved and become an active part of these efforts. I have nothing but hope for NACAP's future and anticipation for the good things we will accomplish together!

It is said that all things are created twice, first through vision and then through physical creation. NACAP is just getting started, and although we have many more ideas and dreams of NACAP's potential and where the roads may take us, we have definitely entered the physical creation phase of what was once merely a vision.

And, there is more to come! As we continue to formalize as a group and see our ideas come to fruition, it will only spur us on further. More ideas. More work. More results. And then more ideas.....Thank you for your patience as we continue to organize!

### REGISTER NOW FOR THE 2017 NACAP CONFERENCE

Second Annual NACAP Conference  
Strategies for Success  
September 25-27, 2017  
Holiday Inn North Beach  
Virginia Beach, VA

Registration form and more details available at  
[www.nacap.org/conferences](http://www.nacap.org/conferences).

### CONGRATULATIONS!

The Wisconsin Safe at Home program began accepting participants on April 1, 2017. All of us at NACAP would like to extend our congratulations and support. More information about their program can be found online at:  
[www.doj.state.wi.us/ocvs/safe-home](http://www.doj.state.wi.us/ocvs/safe-home).



## Making it Count!

The NACAP Data Committee is charged with compiling a list of data commonly collected by each of the state programs, keeping track of this information, and making it available as a resource to all programs. In 2016 this committee conducted a pilot project by collecting and aggregating data from nine different states. The spreadsheet with these numbers is now stored on a file-sharing site called activEcho, hosted by the Oregon Department of Justice. One person from each member state should have received an email with login information for activEcho in March 2017. If you did not receive this login information, or have any questions about accessing activEcho, please email Rozlyn Finrock at [acp@doj.state.or.us](mailto:acp@doj.state.or.us). Viewing the 2016 spreadsheet will give you an idea of what the compiled data will look like as all the NACAP members start to contribute!

Throughout the year, NACAP members will receive a Data Collection Report spreadsheet where they can share and store numbers and then submit them to the Data Committee. **If you haven't started sharing your data, it is never too late!** The committee can easily input several months of data at one time. If you have questions about the process or you haven't been receiving these reports, please contact Nicole Ladner at [Nicole.ladner@maine.gov](mailto:Nicole.ladner@maine.gov).

### ***A few important reminders:***

- ***This is designed to take as little of your time as possible.***
- ***You only need to fill in the numbers you already collect. It is not expected that you will have data for each box on the report.***

Ideally, this data will be available on demand by accessing a password-protected database through our website. If you have skills or resources available to assist in this endeavor, please contact Brenda Sites at [Brenda.sites@sos.mo.gov](mailto:Brenda.sites@sos.mo.gov).



## Committee Updates

### ***Bylaws & Membership Committee***

The Membership and Bylaws Committee has begun work to modify the bylaws in order to ensure strength and continuity of board membership. They also organized the first NACAP webinar on the home-purchasing process offered on June 1. The committee will continue to review suggested topics for future professional development opportunities.

Best of all, the committee has distributed the **2017 Membership Application and Benefits** information! These documents can be found online at <http://www.nacap.org/membership.html>.

### ***Stakeholder Solutions Committee***

This committee has been tasked with finding solutions to problems that exist for survivors on a federal or nationwide basis. The Stakeholders Solutions Committee has identified a couple of federal issues to work on--issues that affect all of us. If you have an issue for the committee to address, please send an email to [info@nacap.org](mailto:info@nacap.org). Updates and possible solutions will be shared with the membership as information becomes available.

### ***Communications Committee***

The communications committee updates the website, monitors the [info@nacap.org](mailto:info@nacap.org) email inbox, and produces the NACAP newsletter. If you have any ideas or suggestions about what you would like to see in the future newsletters, please let us know. If you have ever found yourself dealing with a unique situation and thought it would be helpful to know how other programs would handle a similar problem, you are not alone. The easiest way to share questions and suggestions with the entire NACAP member list is to send an email to [info@nacap.org](mailto:info@nacap.org). NACAP will then share your question with other NACAP members. We love to hear from our members!