

# ***SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY***

The County of San Diego has designated all Hospital Emergency Rooms and designated Fire Stations as the location where newborns can safely be surrendered to care without prosecution of the parent.

In December 2007 the San Diego County Board of Supervisors passed a resolution authorizing fire stations that are staffed full time to be designated as Safe Haven Sites. In 2007, the San Diego County Fire Chiefs Association voted unanimously to make all fire stations that are staffed full time Safe Haven Sites under the [Safely Surrendered Baby Law](#). This law is intended to prevent the abandonment of unwanted babies, which can result in harm to the child or even death. The County Board of Supervisors approved designating fire stations that are staffed 24/7.



The Del Mar Fire Station has been designated as Safely Surrender sites. The Fire Station displays the Safe Haven Site sign and a smaller sign with instructions in case the firefighters are not in quarters.

To learn more about the safe surrendered baby program in San Diego County, visit [www.safe4baby.org](http://www.safe4baby.org).