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**Message from Director Sean M. Curran**

The 2025 Strategic Plan lays a strong vision for the future of the Secret Service. Our agency has a rich reputation of excellence, and this new vision reinforces our commitment to safeguard our nation’s leaders and financial infrastructure with unwavering excellence, integrity, and accountability.

As an elite federal law enforcement agency, we must continually strive to assess our mission needs and to ensure growth within our agency. Looking to the future and planning strategically are pivotal steps in strengthening our mission and ensuring its success. Our 2025 strategy focuses on five pillars – Operations, Human Capital, Resources & Physical Assets, Training, and Technology – which will lay the foundation for the Secret Service to carry out our mission with excellence.

To successfully carry out this strategy and reach the level of excellence our mission demands, securing adequate funding is critical. The recent passing of the One Big Beautiful Bill Act will have a significant impact on our agency. These funds will ensure our agency has the resources to hire, train, equip, and deploy the best personnel and the best technology and equipment needed to execute our unique integrated mission. I extend my deepest gratitude to Congress for their tremendous support.

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Matthew C. Quinn as the 24th Deputy Director of the Secret Service and Chief Richard H. Macauley as the 23rd Chief of the Uniformed Division.



**Deputy Director  
Matthew Quinn**

Deputy Director Quinn returns to the agency after most recently serving as Deputy Assistant Director for the Office of Protective Operations. He retired from this role in 2021, concluding more than two decades of federal service.



**Chief  
Richard Macauley**

Chief Macauley is a distinguished and proven leader with more than 27 years of federal law enforcement experience and 23 years of service to the Uniformed Division. Chief Macauley has proven to be a visionary, who executes our mission with integrity, professionalism, and dedication.



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# autonomous **ROBOTIC** targets

## They'll Be Back...

At the James J. Rowley Training Center (RTC) in Laurel, Maryland, the Secret Service has been training with Marathon's Autonomous Robotic Targets since September of 2023 with great success for both specialized units and basic recruit classes. The Secret Service was the first law enforcement agency to utilize this type of training. These 3D mannequin targets can be shot from any direction and have the ability to detect both simunitions (non-live fire) rounds as well as live-fire ballistics. They provide instant visual and verbal feedback, similar to a human response to being shot.

The robots can simulate muzzle flashes as if they are returning fire at the trainee. The targets maneuver up to 11 mph and can traverse both the indoor firing range as well as in open terrain. The robotic targets give off a thermal signature to assist with night training. In 2024, the USSS utilized the targets in 131 training events (some events are multiple days long), and had approximately 708 hours of robotic operations. RTC staff anticipates an increase in their use, as they continue to implement the robotic targets in various training scenarios.

[SEE THE ROBOTIC TRAINING HERE ►](#)





# SKIMMING

## *Off The Top*

Transnational organized crime groups are targeting multiple government benefits programs here in the United States and in 2024 stole nearly \$18 billion dollars. To combat these crimes, the Secret Service is actively conducting arrests and proactive enforcement operations across the country. Over the course of the past year, the Secret Service collaborated with public and private sector partners to visit 4,000 businesses to conduct around 30,000 inspections to remove illegal skimming devices that could be used to steal benefit program recipients' funds. Proactive efforts resulted in over 150 illegal skimming devices being removed and saving an estimated \$45 million dollars in fraud loss to the US Government. While conducting operations, the USSS also arrested nearly 40 individuals facilitating illegal cashouts to steal victim funds.

To learn more about a recent successful operation the Secret Service, along with other federal, state and local partners conducted, please click on the below link:

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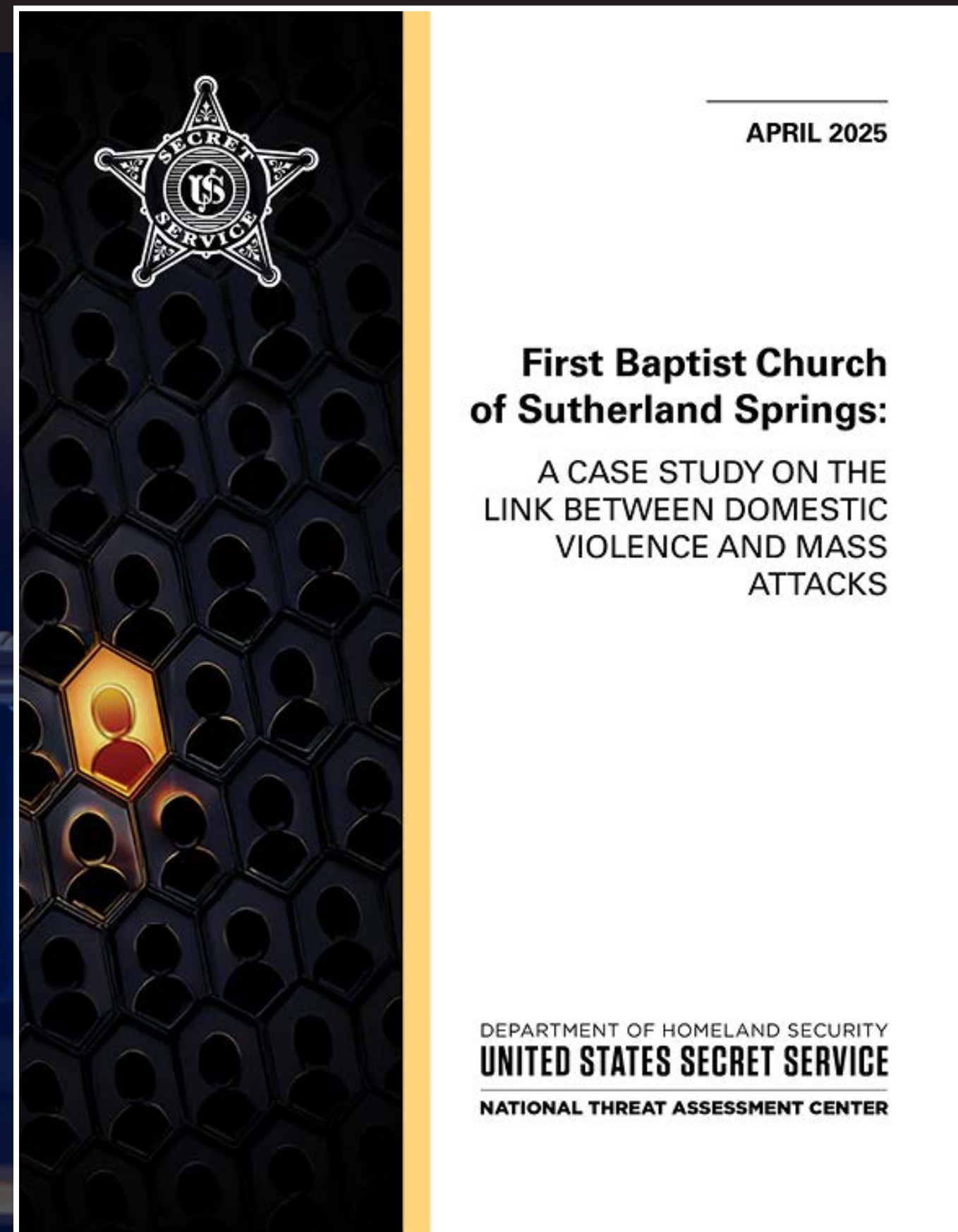
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# Preventing Domestic Violence and Mass Violence

In April 2025, the U.S. Secret Service National Threat Assessment Center (NTAC) released a behavioral case study highlighting the connection between domestic violence and mass violence. [First Baptist Church of Sutherland Springs: A Case Study on the Link Between Domestic Violence and Mass Attacks](#) provides a detailed look at the background and behavioral history of the individual who perpetrated the worst mass shooting in Texas state history. The gunman, who had a long history of severe domestic violence perpetrated against his two wives and numerous other women, killed 26 people, including his wife's grandmother, and wounded an additional 22 others. In conjunction with the publication release, NTAC hosted a virtual training event that registered 8,147 participants from all 50 states and 65 countries. Registrants represented a variety of sectors, including federal government (e.g., DoD, DHS, FBI), state and local law enforcement (e.g., Amarillo Police Department, Houston County Sheriff's Office, Michigan State Police), and corporate security (e.g., NFL, American Airlines, FedEx).

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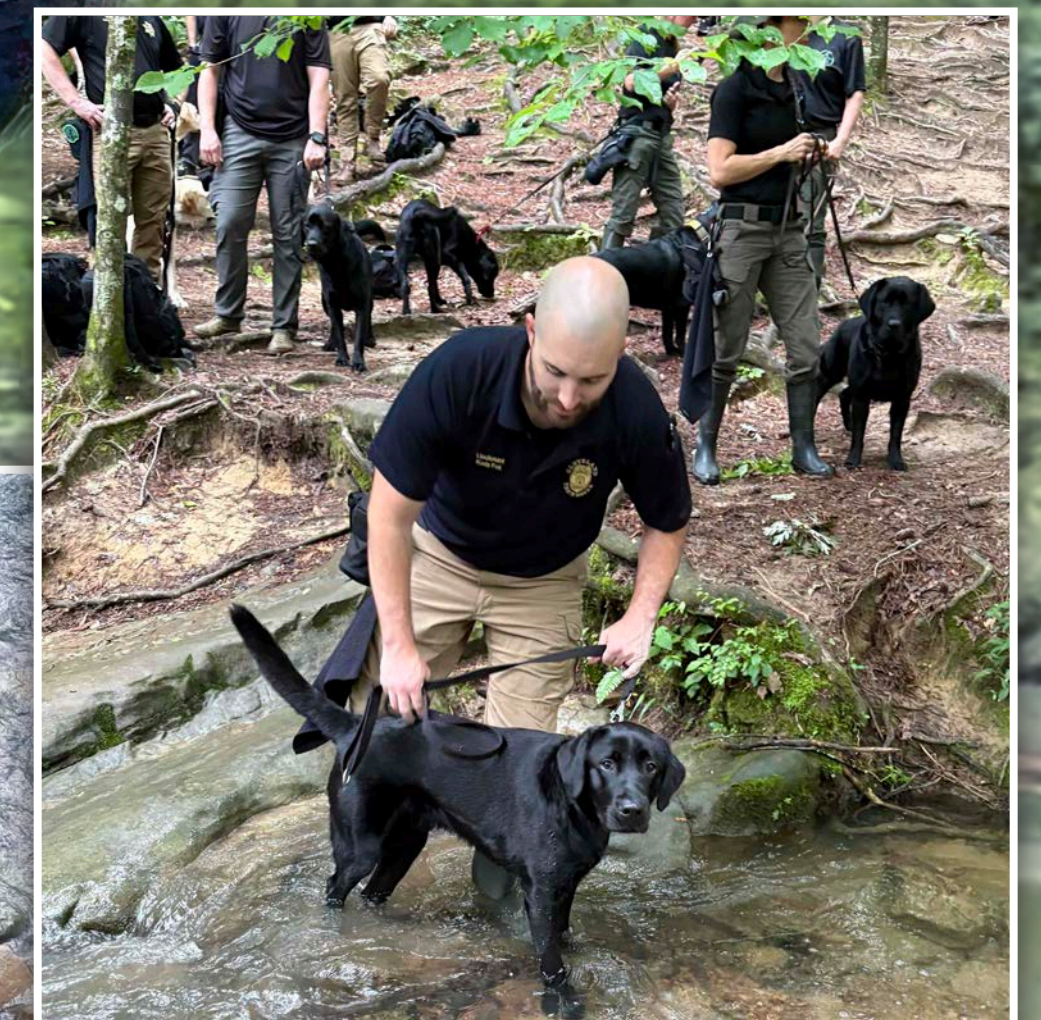
# A Nose for Technology:

## Strategic Investment in Public Safety: The National Computer Forensics Institute (NCFI), Electronic Detection Dog (EDD) Course

The Secret Service's National Computer Forensics Institute continues to innovate utilizing the amazing abilities of our trusted K9 partners. The new Electronic Detection Dog Course, a groundbreaking program developed at NCFI, pairs law enforcement officers with highly trained dogs and certifies them as Electronic Storage Detection (ESD) dog handlers while also training them in digital evidence collection and courtroom testimony. The course is structured to fulfill NCFI's broader mission of supporting state, local, tribal, and territorial law enforcement with specialized education, technology, and equipment necessary to investigate and prevent cybercrime.

These incredible K9 partners, primarily Labrador Retrievers, have the ability to detect the scent of chemicals used on circuit boards in storage media, even under running water. This ability has been critical in locating devices deliberately hidden to evade detection. The program serves as a force multiplier in criminal investigations and is already strengthening operations across the U.S. Secret Service's Cyber Fraud Task Forces. As cybercrime continues to grow in frequency and sophistication, the EDD Course exemplifies the kind of proactive, integrated solution required to meet modern law enforcement demands.

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