

Department of Veterans Affairs Office of Inspector General Washington, DC 20420

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Ryan Thompson 263 Huntington Ave. Boston, MA 02115

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Dear Mr. Thompson:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) request dated September 26, 2022, in which you are requesting "any and all agreements by and / or between any party and /or parties regarding land-use at the West Los Angeles VA Soldiers Home (aka WLA VA, WLA VA Medical Center, Soldiers Home, National Home for Disabled Soldiers, National Home for Disabled Veterans, etc.); which were signed, entered into, executed, partially executed and / or otherwise created between January 1st, 2021 through the date this request is fully responded to. The Requested Agreements described above include but are not limited to: Leases, Enhanced Use Leases, Sharing Agreements, Revocable Licenses, Access Agreements, any Revocable License that Village For Vets is party to for land that a VA CTRS Program operates on, any Revocable License that Inner City Law Center is party to for land that a VA CTRS Program operates on, any Revocable License that Brentwood School is party to for land that a VA CTRS Program operates on; as well as any Amendments to pre-existing Agreements regarding any such land use."

Your request was received in this office on October 24, 2022, and we assigned it FOIP Tracking Number 23-00032-FOIP to your request. Please refer to this number whenever communicating with VA OIG about your request.

We searched our database using the terms within your request and found no responsive records. Therefore, we are providing a no records response.

In addition, we contacted the VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System (GLA), Los Angeles, CA, Privacy and FOIA Officer pertaining to your request. She confirmed that the GLA FOIA Office accepted your FOIA request on September 26, 2022, and is currently processing it. Therefore, we suggest that you contact that office regarding your request. We have provided their contact information below:

Ms. Tiffany Anderson, Privacy & FOIA Officer West Los Angeles Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System (GLA) 11301 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90073.

Email: VHAGLAFOIAINBOX@va.gov

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. 552(c) (2006 & Supp. IV 2010). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

You may appeal the determination made in this response to: Department of Veterans Affairs, Office of Inspector General, Office of Counselor (50C), 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420, or by email to: VAOIGFOIA-Appeals@va.gov, or by fax to: (202) 495-5867. If you should choose to make an appeal, your appeal must be sent no later than ninety (90) calendar days after the date of this letter. Your appeal must include the assigned FOIA Tracking Number and any reason(s) why you believe the response was in error. If you choose to appeal only a portion of the determination, you must specify which part of the determination you are appealing. The appeal should include a copy of the request and VA's response. The appeal should be marked, or subject-titled, "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

Sincerely,

Ruthlee G. Bellamy

Supervisory Government Information Specialist

VA OIG Release of Information Office