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Subject: FOIA Request # 23-F-0269 - Expedited Request Response

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RE: FOIA Request # **23-F-0269**

September 14, 2023

Dear Chiara Eisner, This is an interim response to your September 8, 2023 , Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request. You requested the following two excel spreadsheets, "EXPORT Full Census 09-04-21" and "EXPORT Full Census 10-22-21," from the Pomona Fairplex Emergency Intake Site, with the exception of personally-identifiable information.

As a result of my review of your request for expedited processing, I have determined that your request for expedited processing meets the requirements under the FOIA and is granted. The FOIA requires that an agency expedite processing of a request only when the requester demonstrates a “compelling need.” The subject matter of your request demonstrates that there is an “urgency to inform the public concerning actual or alleged Federal activity.”

In accordance with the FOIA and applicable case law, your FOIA request will be processed as expeditiously as practicably possible, as allowed by our available resources. At this time, our agency is experiencing certain circumstances which may affect the time it takes to process your request. Specifically, we will need to search for and collect records from multiple components and/or field offices external to this office which will result in unusual and exceptional circumstances. Our agency is also concurrently processing other FOIA requests for which we have granted expedited processing; those requests predate your FOIA request. Your request will be processed in line with our established policy of "first in, first out" case processing within your assigned expedited queue.

Sincerely,

/s/

Celeste Smith

Director, Freedom of Information Office

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