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ETHICS IN WASHINGTON

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SUBMITTED VIA ONLINE FORM

Arizona Department of Corrections, Rehabilitation & Reentry
Office of the Director
1601 W. Jefferson
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Re: Public Records Request

Dear FOIA Officer:

Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington ("CREW") submits this request for records to the Arizona Department of Corrections, Rehabilitation & Reentry (ADRCC) pursuant to the Arizona Public Records Law, A.R.S. §§ 39-121 et seq.

Specifically, CREW requests:

1. All records from March 1, 2020 to the date this request is processed reflecting any complaints, grievances, requests for investigation, incident reports, referrals, allegations, tips, findings, or observations relating to healthcare provided by Centurion of Arizona in prisons.
2. All records reflecting policies, procedures, protocols, guidelines, or directives for COVID-19.
3. Any communications between the the ADRCC and Centurion of Arizona regarding any protocols taken to protect inmates from COVID-19 from January 1, 2020 to the present, including but not limited to:
    a. Administration of tests
    b. Social distancing measures
    c. Distribution of PPE
4. Any communications between the ADRCC and the Arizona Department of Health Services regarding any protocols taken to protect inmates from COVID-19 from January 1, 2020 to the present, including but not limited to:
    a. Administration of tests
    b. Social distancing measures
    c. Distribution of PPE

The above request excludes agency records consisting solely of news articles, press clippings, and other publicly-available material, so long as the records include no accompanying discussion by agency officials.

Please search for responsive records regardless of format, medium, or physical characteristics. We seek records of any kind, including paper records, electronic records, audiotapes, videotapes, photographs, data, and graphical material. Our request includes without limitation all correspondence, letters, emails, text messages, facsimiles, telephone messages, voice mail messages, and transcripts, notes, or minutes of any meetings, telephone conversations, or discussions. Our request also includes any attachments to emails and other records, as well as emails to which the subjects of this request were cc'ed or or bcc'ed.

If it is your position that any portion of the requested records is exempt from disclosure, please provide an index of records or categories of records that have been withheld and the reasons the records or categories of records have been withheld. A.R.S. § 39- 121.01(D)(2).

If some portions of the requested records are properly exempt from disclosure, please redact those portions and produce the remainder of the requested records.

This request is made for noncommercial purposes. CREW is a non-profit corporation, organized under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. CREW is committed to protecting the public's right to be aware of the activities of government officials, to ensuring the integrity of those officials, and to highlighting and reducing the influence of money on politics. CREW intends to analyze the information responsive to this request and to share its analysis with the public. The release of information obtained through this request is not in CREW's financial interest.

Conclusion

If you have any questions about this request or foresee any problems in fully releasing the requested records, please contact me at (202) 408-5565 or [redacted]. Also, if CREW's request for a fee waiver is denied, please contact our office immediately upon making such a determination.

Where possible, please produce records in electronic format. Please send the requested records to me at either [redacted] or Rebecca Jacobs, Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington, [redacted].

Sincerely,

Rebecca Jacobs
Senior Researcher