

# STOP THE FBI HEADQUARTERS ON THE FEDERAL BUILDING SITE

In 1887 Congress mandated the establishment of a permanent home for disabled Veterans west of the Rockies. The next year, two generous families donated 600 acres to create the National Soldiers' Home here on the Westside of Los Angeles. But Washington is forgetting its promise to our Veterans.

The Federal Building site is on this hallowed ground. Ignoring the growing needs of returning Iraq Veterans, this is where the General Services Administration (GSA) proposes to build a one million square foot FBI Regional Headquarters. They propose a bomb-proof "hardened target" to protect the FBI from attack that puts our community at risk.

**The traffic, security and open space impacts of this proposal are unacceptable. So is breaking our nation's commitment to our Veterans.**

This is the wrong place for the FBI, which will not be able to get in or out to do its job. If you think traffic is bad now, just imagine this huge addition and the closure of the Montana and Moraga 405 ramps proposed by Cal Trans. This traffic will be diverted primarily to Sunset and Wilshire.

**Senators Boxer and Feinstein, Congressman Waxman, Supervisor Yaroslavsky, and Councilmembers Rosendahl and Weiss all agree that this is the wrong place for the FBI.** But help from Washington may not arrive in time. Very soon the GSA will release the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the FBI Headquarters. When this happens we will have 30 days to comment and then be in court. However, we continue to work with our elected officials to try to obtain a political/legislative solution. **Please complete the letter to our representatives below and mail along with a donation.**

**The Coalition for Veterans' Land is going to file a lawsuit to challenge the FBI project.** We have retained Richard I. Fine, a distinguished former Federal prosecutor. Regarding the Federal Building site, we have three objectives:

- 1 Find an alternative site for the FBI.
- 1 Guarantee that any reuse of the Federal Building site be limited to direct services to Veterans.
- 1 Force the Veterans' Administration to obey a 1998 Act of Congress to develop a Masterplan for all of its property, including the 387 acre VA, Federal Building site and the Army Reserve site.

The Coalition for Veterans' Land is a 501(c)(3) all-volunteer California nonprofit corporation. Its mission is supported by Veterans, business, neighborhood and homeowner associations (see below). **We have no staff; all donations go straight to challenging the FBI project and non-Veteran uses on the VA.**

**Time is short. We need your financial assistance immediately.** To file the complaint we must raise \$25,000. The full lawsuit may reach \$200,000.

**Please use the attached donation form to contribute to "the Coalition for Veterans' Land" by check or credit card. Your donation is tax-deductible to the full-extent permitted by law (Federal Tax ID 95-3974872).**

We invite **Veterans** to become plaintiffs to save this hallowed ground (if you are interested in learning more about being a plaintiff, please so indicate on the return envelope).

Please consider making a tribute in honor of a Veteran in your family and hosting a fundraiser in your home, office or club. **Thank you in advance for your generous support.**

*Laura Lake and Jackie Freedman, Co-Presidents*

## The following organizations support the mission of the Coalition for Veterans' Land

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|  | * Save Westwood Village                   |   |

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***FBI Expansion in Westwood  
A Traffic and Security Nightmare***

Please FAX these letters IMMEDIATELY to 310-317-7400

**ALTERNATIVE SITE FOR GSA/FBI PROJECT**

Dear Senators Feinstein and Boxer, Supervisor Yaroslavsky, Councilmembers Weiss and Rosendahl, and Mayor Villaraigosa:

We are among 300,000 Angelenos represented by the Coalition for Veterans' Land. We appreciate your opposition to the FBI Headquarters being on the Federal Building site on land deeded to the National Soldiers' Home. The GSA is not listening to you or us. Therefore your constituents are preparing a lawsuit because GSA is refusing to find another site. We need your immediate help. Please:

- 1. Condition GSA appropriations to prohibit the Federal Building site for the new FBI Regional Headquarters. A hardened target does not belong next to our park and homes.*
- 1. Do not allow the GSA to threaten "packing" the existing Federal Building with hundreds of employees and high traffic generation.*
- 1. Guarantee through legislation that any reuse on the Federal Building site be limited to direct services to Veterans.*

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**MASTERPLAN FOR WLA FEDERAL PROPERTIES**

Dear Senators Feinstein and Boxer, Supervisor Yaroslavsky, Councilmembers Weiss and Rosendahl, and Mayor Villaraigosa:

The federal government owns over 400 acres on the Westside of Los Angeles. The traffic, security and open space impacts of potential development on this land are of great concern to your constituents and returning Veterans. Please require the immediate preparation of a **joint federal masterplan for all three federal properties: the VA, the Army Reserve/National Guard, and the Federal Building site.** Include in this legislation:

1. **A deadline for compliance and identification of Veterans' needs and where to locate those services on this hallowed ground. Prohibit non-direct services to Veterans.**
2. **Provision for meaningful community and Veteran input (all proceedings under oath with the right to cross-examination) .**

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**PRINT VERY CLEARLY**

- You may use my/our name(s)
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- I am a Veteran
- I'd like to know more about being a plaintiff to save Veterans' Land.
- I/we would like to host a fundraiser in our home, office or club.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_  
EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

**Check** enclosed made payable to "Coalition for Veterans' Land"  
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I'd like to make a **monthly donation** by credit card.  
Please debit my credit card \$ \_\_\_\_\_ each month.

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