

May 7, 2019

## **VIA EMAIL**

Mr. Jared Rutecki

Better Government Association Email: payroll2018@bettergov.org

RE: 19-FOIA-120 2018 Payroll Info

Dear Mr. Rutecki:

We are in receipt of your request for information pursuant to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/1 *et seq.* ("**FOIA**").

On April 25, 2019, we received your request for an electronic document detailing Metra's full payroll expenditures by individual for the year 2018, including salary and all additional payments, and the following information: start date, last name, first name, middle name (or initial), suffix, title, department, annual base salary, overtime, holiday pay, bonus compensation and any other additional payments made to employees excluding costs such as insurance, pension or benefit payments. You also asked that we include 2018 compensation information for any and all elected officials ("**Request**"). Your Request is granted.

In response to your Request, Metra's Revenue Accounting department is providing you with an Excel sheet detailing Metra employee compensation for the year 2018, including their start date, last name, first name, middle name (or initial), suffix, title, department, annual base salary or hourly rate, and year-to-date gross pay ("**Responsive Document**").

Metra does not provide bonus compensation. As such, the difference between the annual base salary and the year-to-date gross pay will be useful in figuring out the overtime, holiday pay, and any other additional payments made to employees excluding costs such as insurance, pension, or benefit payments. Additionally, Metra does not have *elected* officials. However, the annual compensation information pertaining to its appointed officials (Board of Directors) is included in the Responsive Document.

Please note, you can also obtain the information you requested by visiting the Regional Transportation Authority's website at: <a href="http://data.rtachicago.org/dashboards/9531/metra/">http://data.rtachicago.org/dashboards/9531/metra/</a>.

If we can be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Angela K. Ollie

Freedom of Information Officer

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