

Department of
SOCIAL SERVICES

Community Care Licensing

COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION REPORT

Facility Number: 197603823
Report Date: 04/21/2026
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This is an official report of an unannounced visit/investigation of a complaint received in our office on 09/17/2025 and conducted by Evaluator Antonia Alvizar-Ettima

PUBLIC		COMPLAINT CONTROL NUMBER: 31-AS-20250917150613	
FACILITY NAME: NORTH LAKE VILLAS INC.		FACILITY NUMBER:	197603823
ADMINISTRATOR:NOURIT BRAUN		FACILITY TYPE:	740
ADDRESS:	2851 N. LAKE AVE	TELEPHONE:	(626) 398-8668
CITY:	ALTADENA	ZIP CODE:	91001
CAPACITY:	30	DATE:	04/21/2026
MET WITH: Adam Braun - Assistant Administrator		UNANNOUNCED TIME BEGAN:	08:45 AM
		TIME COMPLETED:	02:30 PM

ALLEGATION(S):

1	Staff are not following refund conditions
2	Staff did not ensure resident received P & I money
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INVESTIGATION FINDINGS:

1	Licensing Program Analyst (LPA) Antonia Alvizar- Ettima conducted an unannounced subsequent visit to
2	complete an investigation and deliver findings of the above noted allegations. LPA met with Med-Tech
3	and explained the reason for the visit. The Assistant Administrator later joined today's visit
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5	During initial visit on 09/22/2025 due to the destruction of North Lake Villas, Inc. by fire, the complaint
6	visit was conducted at 10:35 am by Licensing Program Analyst (LPA) Tihesha Smith at Encino Terrace
7	Senior Living Adult Residential, a facility that residents from North Lake Villas were relocated. LPA Smith
8	met with staff and disclosed the purpose of the visit. LPA Smith conducted an interview with a licensee
9	via telephone, requesting documents relevant to the investigation to include but not limited to a copy of
10	admissions agreement, personnel report, staff schedule, resident roster.
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12	Prior to this visit on 03/13/26 LPA Alvizar- Ettima conducted an interview with Assistant Administrator and
13	Cont. on LIC 9099

Unsubstantiated	Estimated Days of Completion:
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SUPERVISORS NAME: Naira Margaryan	
LICENSING EVALUATOR NAME: Antonia Alvizar-Ettima	
LICENSING EVALUATOR SIGNATURE:	DATE: 04/21/2026
I acknowledge receipt of this form and understand my licensing appeal rights as explained and received.	
FACILITY REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE:	DATE: 04/21/2026

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NARRATIVE	
1	Cont. from LIC 9099
2	Staff #1 (S1) via telephone, request documents relevant to the investigation payable check to social
3	Security Administration and P& I in behalf of R1 and other documents obtained from the facility.
4	During this visit at approximately 9:30a.m., LPA Alvizar- Ettima and Med-Tech conducted a physical plan
5	tour and did not observe any immediate health and safety issues. Between 10:45a.m. – 12:45p.m LPA
6	interviews with Resident #2 - #3 (R2 - R3) and Med-Tech staff.
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8	1.) Staff are not following refund conditions
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10	It was alleged that Assistant Administrator received a payment and did not follow proper refund
11	procedures. Assistant Administrator interview revealed that Resident (R1) relocated mid-month and that
12	the Social Security Office was not provided with sufficient time to update the payee information. The
13	Assistant Administrator reported that the payment was returned to the Social Security Administration in
14	accordance with their instructions. Resident #2 (R2) stated that they have not experienced issues
15	related to refunds and reported receiving refund payments as applicable. Additional resident interviewed
16	did not express concerns related to the allegation. Staff #1 (S1) and Med-Tech interviews confirmed the
17	information provided by Assistant Administrator. Records reviewed revealed that R1's funds were
18	returned to the Social Security Administration.
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20	Based on interviews, information obtained and record review, there is insufficient evidence to support
21	the allegation. Therefore, the allegation is UNSUBSTANTIATED at this time.
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23	2.) Staff did not ensure resident received P & I money
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25	It was alleged that R1 have not received Personal and Incidental (P & I) money. Assistant Administrator
26	and staff denied the allegation. The Assistant Administrator reported that that Resident (R1) consistently
27	received P& I money and that any remaining funds were returned upon moving out of the facility.
28	Resident #2 (R2) stated they were roommates with R1 for an extended period and reported that R1 did
29	not express concerns regarding P & I money . R2 also reported receiving their own P & I money in full
30	and on time. Additional resident interview did not report concerns related to P & I money. Staff #1 (S1)
31	and Med-Tech interviews corroborated with Assistant Administrator's statements. Records reviewed
32	indicated that R1 received P & I money as required.
	Based on interviews, information obtained, and record review, there is insufficient evidence to support
	the allegation. Therefore, the allegation is UNSUBSTANTIATED at this time.
	Exit Interview conducted/Copy of report provided.

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