

FW: OPRA request - All police activity, complaints and or 911 calls from or for 112 E Park Ave

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From: Patrick Duff <opra+request-41312-77d07a60@requests.opramachine.com>

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To: Teri Mcveigh <tmcveigh@mapleshade.com>

Subject: OPRA request - All police activity, complaints and or 911 calls from or for 112 E Park Ave

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Dear Maple Shade Township,

This is a request for public records made under OPRA and the common law right of access. I am not required to fill out an official form. Please acknowledge receipt of this message.

Records requested:

All police activity, complaints and or 911 calls from or for 112 E Park Ave.

Yours faithfully,

Anonymous

Please deliver records electronically via email to the below UNIQUE address for all replies to this request:

opra+request-41312-77d07a60@requests.opramachine.com

Is mstwpclk@mapleshade.com the wrong address for OPRA requests to Maple Shade Township? If so, please contact us using this form:

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Maple Shade Police Department
Township of Maple Shade
In the County of Burlington



Christopher J. Fletcher
Chief of Police

March 31, 2023

Patrick Duff,
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Mr. Duff,

The Maple Shade Police Department received your Open Public Records Act (OPRA) request on March 30, 2023. The official Records Custodian, Captain Sean Hasson, received your OPRA request on March 30, 2023. As such, the seven (7)-business day deadline to respond to your request is April 10, 2023. This response to your request is being provided to you on March 31, 2023.

Your OPRA request sought access to the following:

1) All police activity, complaints and or 911 calls from or for 112 E. Park Ave.

Your request requires clarification in order for the MSPD to respond. You have not identified a time period or precise location for your request (i.e. E Park Ave in Maple Shade?).

In addition, "all police activity" does not identify with specificity the government records you are seeking. Bart v. Passaic County Pub. Hous. Agency, 406 N.J. Super. 445,451 (App. Div. 2009). To qualify under OPRA then, the request must reasonably identify a record and not generally data, information or statistics. Bent v. Stafford Twp. Police Dept., 381 N.J. Super. 30, 37-39 (App. Div. 2005). A custodian may reject a request that is overly broad or vague so as to prevent identification of the records sought. New Jersey Builders Ass'n v. New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing, 390 N.J. Super. 166, 172 (App. Div. 2007).

Additionally, requests for 911 calls need to be made through Burlington County Central Communications, as they are the holder of those records.

Once you provide the clarification requested, the Township will be able to respond to your request.



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If your request for access to a government record has been denied or unfilled within the seven (7) business days required by law, you have a right to challenge the decision by the Maple Shade Police Department to deny access. At your option, you may either institute a proceeding in the Superior Court of New Jersey or file a complaint with the Government Records Council (GRC) by completing the Denial of Access Complaint Form. You may contact the GRC by toll-free telephone at 866-850-0511, by mail at P.O. Box 819, Trenton, NJ, 08625, by e-mail at grc@dca.state.nj.us, or at their web site at www.state.nj.us/grc. The GRC can also answer other questions about the law. All questions regarding complaints filed in Superior Court should be directed to the Court Clerk in your County.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Capt. Sean Hasson". The signature is stylized with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke at the end.

Captain Sean Hasson
Maple Shade Police Department
shasson@mapleshadepd.com