

State of New Jersey
Government Records Request
Receipt**Requestor Information**

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Request Date: November 6, 2024

Maximum Authorized Cost: \$.00

Email

Request Number: C226069

Request Status: Denied Closed

Ready Date:

Custodian Contact Information

Division of State Police

Records Custodian

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Status of Your Request

Your request for government records (# C226069) from the Division of State Police has been reviewed and has been Denied Closed. Detailed information as to the availability of the documents you requested appear below and on following pages as necessary.

The cost and any balance due for this request is shown to the right. Any balance due must be paid in full prior to the release / mailing of the documents.

If you have any questions related to the disposition of this request please contact the Custodian of Records for the Division of State Police. The contact information is in the column to the right. Please reference your request number in any contact or correspondence.

Cost Information

Total Cost: \$0.00

Deposit: \$0.00

Total Amount Paid: \$0.00

Balance Due: \$0.00

Document Detail

Div	Doc #	Doc Name	Redaction Req	Pages	Legal Size	Electronic Media	Other Cost
SP	001	"Documents sufficient to show the count of all current and in-progress applications in process with Highland Park Police Department ("HPPD"), for Firearms Purchaser I.D. Card; Handgun Purchase Permit; and Concealed Carry Permit..."	N		N	N	
		Denial: 39.Improper and Overbroad ---					

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SP	002	"Documents sufficient to show the total count of all applications for Firearms Purchaser I.D. Card; Handgun Purchase Permits; and Concealed Carry Permit approved and denied by HPPD for (a) 2024 to date; (b) 2023; and (c) 2022."	N		N	N	
		Denial: 35.Other (specify) --- 13:54-1.15 Confidentiality of background investigations, permits, firearms identification cards, licenses, certifications, certificates, forms of register, registration statements and applications					

Rutgers Alumx,

The Division of State Police is in receipt of your OPRA request.

Your request for "Documents sufficient to show the count of all current and in-progress applications in process with Highland Park Police Department ("HPPD"), for Firearms Purchaser I.D. Card; Handgun Purchase Permit; and Concealed Carry Permit...Documents sufficient to show the total count of all applications for Firearms Purchaser I.D. Card; Handgun Purchase Permits; and Concealed Carry Permit approved and denied by HPPD for (a) 2024 to date; (b) 2023; and (c) 2022.", is denied, as it is asking for information and therefore is improper under OPRA. OPRA is a records law, not an information law. See *MAG Entm't, LLC v. Div. of Alcohol Beverage Control*, 375 N.J. Super. 534(App. Div. 2005). Also see *Gannett New Jersey Partners, LP v. County of Middlesex*, 379 N.J. Super. 205(App. Div. 2005): "OPRA requires a party requesting access to a public record to specifically describe the document sought.

Further denied pursuant to NJAC 13:54-1.15, we can only release firearms information to a person acting in his/her official government capacity for the purpose of the administration of Justice. 13:54-1.15 reads in pertinent part: Any background investigation conducted by the chief of police, the Superintendent or the county prosecutor, of any applicant for a permit, firearms identification card license, or registration, in accordance with the requirements of this chapter, is not a public record and shall not be disclosed to any person not authorized by law or this chapter to have access to such investigation, including the applicant. Any application for a permit, firearms identification card, or license, and any document reflecting the issuance or denial of such permit, firearms identification card, or license, and any permit, firearms identification card, license, certification, certificate, form of register, or registration statement, maintained by any State or municipal governmental agency, is not a public record and shall not be disclosed to any person not authorized by law or this chapter to have access to such documentation, including the applicant, except on the request of persons acting in their governmental capacities for purposes of the administration of justice.

The Division reserves the right to claim additional grounds for denial not raised in this response.

Accordingly, your request is now considered Denied Closed.

Sincerely,

Tpr. I Patrick McManus
New Jersey State Police

Your request for government records (# C226069) is as follows:

1. Documents sufficient to show the count of all current and in-progress applications in process with Highland Park Police Department ("HPPD"), for Firearms Purchaser I.D. Card; Handgun Purchase Permit; and Concealed Carry Permit.
2. Documents sufficient to show the total count of all applications for Firearms Purchaser I.D. Card; Handgun Purchase Permits; and Concealed Carry Permit approved and denied by HPPD for (a) 2024 to date; (b) 2023; and (c) 2022.