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Re: OPRA Request 24.01_079

Dear Requestor:

My office is in receipt of your OPRA request dated January 30, 2024 and received the same.

Your request for "all police reports" for the given time period lacks the specificity of a proper OPRA request. A proper OPRA request must identify with reasonable clarity the desired records, and a party cannot satisfy this requirement by simply requesting all (any or other) of an agency's documents. Bent v. Township of Stafford Police Department, Custodian of Records, 381 N.J. Super. 30, 37 (App. Div. 2005). Please note that this is **NOT** a denial of your request, but rather a request for clarification.

Certain reports generated in the given time period will not be subject to disclosure under OPRA as they are criminal investigatory in nature. See N.J.S. 47:1A-1.1. Certain other reports, such as accident reports or arrest reports, may be produced subject to appropriate redactions. Please specify what type of reports you are requesting. Additionally, you have not identified a common law interest for "all police reports" or any specific record.

You may wish to request Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) reports to identify the specific incidents of interest to you. Please be advised that in December of 2018, The Rutgers University Police Department began dispatching emergency services for the City of New Brunswick. The maintenance of the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) system is included in those responsibilities. The Director of Public Safety Telecommunication for Rutgers University has informed this office, all CAD records requests must be submitted to the University directly. You can submit the OPRA request for the CAD report via this link: <https://uec.rutgers.edu/programs-2/opra/>.

Thank you for your interest in this matter and if my office can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Captain Amish Shah

cc. Leslie Zeledon, City Clerk
Joseph Catanese, Asst. City Attorney