



# County of Burlington

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Via Email: [opra+request-25169-bb012596@requests.opramachine.com](mailto:opra+request-25169-bb012596@requests.opramachine.com)

August 10, 2021

Mr. Higgins

Re: OPRA Request 1226-21

Dear Mr. Higgins:

I am in receipt of your recent OPRA request, whereby you requested the following:

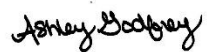
1. The starting base salary for all new Public Safety Telecommunicators (aka 911 Dispatcher, 911 Operator) of this current year.
2. The average base salary of all Public Safety Telecommunicators (aka 911 Dispatcher, 911 Operator) of this current year.
3. The average base salary of Public Safety Telecommunicators (aka 911 Dispatcher, 911 Operator) with 5 years' experience at this position at this location.
4. The highest paid base salary for Public Safety Telecommunicators (aka 911 Dispatcher, 911 Operator) of this current year.

This request seeks information or asks questions and does not identify specific government records. As such, your request is an invalid OPRA request and is denied. When a request is "complex" because it fails to specifically identify the documents sought, then that request is not "encompassed" by OPRA. See New Jersey Builders Association v. New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing, 390 N.J.Super. 166, 180 (App. Div. 2007). A proper request under OPRA must identify with reasonable clarity those documents that are desired, and a party cannot satisfy this requirement by simply requesting all of an agency's documents. See Bent v. Stafford Police Department, 381 N.J.Super. 30, 37 (App. Div. 2005). Custodians are not required to conduct research or create new records in response to an OPRA request. Notwithstanding the above, attached please find the document responsive to your request.

I am also obligated to inform you that if you believe I have erred in withholding documents, you have the right to bring an action in the Superior Court of New Jersey, or to appeal to the Government Records Council. The Council can be reached at (609) 633-6337, or by mail at PO Box 819, Trenton, New Jersey 08625.

We now consider our response complete. Thank you for the opportunity to be of assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ashley Godfrey". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

ASHLEY GODFREY  
Deputy Custodian of Public Records  
Burlington County

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