

From: [Higgins, Sara](#)
To: [Yarden Katz](#)
Cc: [Dohoney Jr., Milton](#); [Fournier, John](#); [Kaur, Atleen](#); [Thomas, Matt](#); [Records, AAPD](#)
Subject: RE: Appeal of denied FOIA request to the Ann Arbor Police Department
Date: Tuesday, September 6, 2022 10:53:38 AM
Attachments: [220906 Letter to Yarden Katz.pdf](#)

Dear Yarden Katz,

On behalf of City Administrator Dohoney, attached is a response to your appeal.

Sara Higgins (she/her/hers), **Director of Operations**

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Sent: Tuesday, September 06, 2022 10:50 AM
To: Dohoney Jr., Milton <MDohoney@a2gov.org>
Cc: Higgins, Sara <SHiggins@a2gov.org>; Fournier, John <JFournier@a2gov.org>
Subject: Re: Appeal of denied FOIA request to the Ann Arbor Police Department

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Date: Monday, August 22, 2022 8:58:18 AM

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To: [Alanis, Sarah](#)
Cc: [Records, AAPD](#)
Subject: RE: FOIA Request 1568 for Yarden Katz
Date: Monday, August 15, 2022 7:51:45 AM

Thank you.

Tara Berishaj, Police Professional Assistant

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Sent: Friday, August 12, 2022 8:33 AM
To: Records, AAPD <A2PoliceRecords@a2gov.org>
Subject: FW: FOIA Request 1568 for Yarden Katz
Importance: Low

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4. a short narrative description of the event, including any information about arrests and a classification of the offenses (e.g., "disorderly conduct," "larceny," etc.)
5. the "race" of the arrestee, if arrests were made (e.g., using the "race" categories used by state of Michigan police reports, see: https://www.michigan.gov/msp/-/media/Project/Websites/msp/micr-assets/2020/2020_CRIME_IN_MICHIGAN_FINAL_081121_updated-120821.pdf)

The data could be made available in a text format such as CSV (or similar formats) and sent to me via email.

These data are of public interest and would not be put towards any commercial purposes.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Yarden Katz