

ARCS: 292-30 File: CFD-2019-94402

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Sent via email:

Re: Request for Access to Records
Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPPA)

I am writing further to your request received by the Ministry of Children and Family Development. Your request is for:

Copy of a spreadsheet showing the number of foster parents by year in B.C. for 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 and how many by year 2015, 2016 2017, 2018 and 2019 have stopped or left fostering children (Date Range for Record Search: From 01/01/2015 To 07/26/2019)

Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. These records are provided to you in their entirety. Your file is now closed.

Please be advised that there are no records for the amount of foster parents in 2019 at this time, and it would take an unreasonable amount of time to compile them. There is also no data on foster parents who have stopped/left fostering; however, there is the amount of foster parents who have been retained.

There is also some information that may be helpful on this public website, including an interactive graph: https://mcfd.gov.bc.ca/reporting/services/child-protection/permanency-for-children-and-youth/performance-indicators/children-in-care

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Website:

These records will be published on the BC Government's Open Information website a minimum of ten business days after release. To find out more about Open Information, please access the Open Information website at: www.gov.bc.ca/openinformation

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Leala Bull, the analyst assigned to your request, at 250 387-7883. This number can be reached toll-free by calling from Vancouver, 604 660-2421, or from elsewhere in BC, 1 800 663-7867 and asking to be transferred to 250 387-7883.

You have the right to ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review this decision. I have enclosed information on the review and complaint process.

Sincerely,

Leala Bull, Senior FOI Analyst On behalf of Jamie Onciul, Manager

Social / Tech Team, Information Access Operations

Enclosures

How to Request a Review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner

If you have any questions regarding your request please contact the analyst assigned to your file. The analyst's name and telephone number are listed in the attached letter.

Pursuant to section 52 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FOIPPA), you may ask the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review any decision, act, or failure to act with regard to your request under FOIPPA.

Please note that you have 30 business days to file your review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner. In order to request a review please write to:

Information and Privacy Commissioner PO Box 9038 Stn Prov Govt 4th Floor, 947 Fort Street Victoria BC V8W 9A4 Telephone 250 387-5629 Fax 250 387-1696

If you request a review, please provide the Commissioner's Office with:

- 1. A copy of your original request;
- 2. A copy of our response; and
- 3. The reasons or grounds upon which you are requesting the review.