



ARCS: 292-30
File: OCC-2019-96744

December 03, 2019

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 BC Coroners Service. Your request is for:

Statistics detailing annual numbers of deaths at privately-owned single-room occupancy hotels in Vancouver for the [specified] addresses (Date Range for Record Search: From 01/01/2010 To 09/30/2019)

Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. These records are provided to you in their entirety. The Coroners Service would like to note the following:

- Data search from 2016 to 2019 only due to system limitations
- Search limited to only those specific addresses that you had provided
- Due to the number of addresses in this query, the BCCS sought the assistance of the BC Centre for Disease Control to count the data (as they have mapping tools). Please note the data in this spreadsheet covers Suspected Illicit Drug Overdose cases only.
- We cannot verify that the type of housing fits the definition included above; please contact Laura Mathews, Manager of Public Affairs, BC Housing 604-439-8571 to confirm.

Your file is now closed.

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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 Rhiannon Hamdi, the analyst assigned to your request, at 250 387-1437. 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 250 387-1437.

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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'R. Hamdi', is positioned above the typed name.

Rhiannon Hamdi, Team Lead
On behalf of Justine Nisbet, Manager
Justice / Social Team, Information Access Operations

Enclosures

<p>How to Request a Review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner</p>
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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.