



April 21, 2016

Via E-Mail

Ms. Chaclyn Hunt

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Re: Freedom of Information Act  
IPRA File No.: 16-056-217

Dear Ms. Hunt:

On behalf of the Independent Police Review Authority ("IPRA") this letter is in response to your Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") request received in our offices on April 7, 2016. IPRA timely requested a five day extension on April 14, 2016. IPRA is now timely responding to your request seeking:

*"...information for any shootings, including but not limited to alleged shootings that were not investigated, and nonfatal shootings. Please include the following data for each shooting incident, and any other data we might not know exists: [outline of data requested]."*

On April 26, 2016, we agreed via email that IPRA will be providing to you the responsive spreadsheets on a rolling basis.

At this time IPRA is providing you with the spreadsheet related to shooting victims. At this time we are providing you with a spreadsheet which includes the following: Log number, unit of occurrence, address of occurrence, initial category, initial category type code, initial category type, current category, current category type, current category code, current category, zip code, age of victim (in place of year of birth as year of birth in unable to be consistently and accurately obtained), race of victim, complaint date, and whether or not the case was converted to a CR for shootings in which there was a victim.

Several things should be noted about this spreadsheet. IPRA has compiled this spreadsheet through a search of the CLEAR database, to which we only have partial access. While we believe the information provided to you is correct, there may be some inaccuracies given our search limitations in CLEAR. Also, the Chicago Police Department (CPD) has not provided us with the relationships between tables in the CLEAR database, thereby limiting our search capabilities. Nonetheless we have, to the best of our knowledge, not intentionally excluded any files or erroneously included any files or data.



However, due to these limitations, some data cannot be pulled and blanks may appear on the spreadsheet.

We are unable to pull data from these searches which will provide you with information regarding whether or not the victim was armed and with what type of weapon. This information is not tracked in such a way that a CLEAR search can pull and provide this data. To determine if victims were armed and with what type of weapon they were armed would require a search of the investigative file for each individual log number which would be unduly burdensome.

Please be advised that certain information has been redacted from this spreadsheet. All CRs over four (4) years old have been redacted pursuant to Judge Flynn's order in *Fraternal Order of Police v. City of Chicago*, 14 CH 17454, prohibiting the release of CR files more than four years old. IPRA is unable to provide you with any information related to these incidents since they are over four years old. See 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(a) (Information specifically prohibited from disclosure by federal or state law or rules and regulations implementing federal or state law is exempt from disclosure). IPRA is providing you with a copy of the order.

To the extent that you consider this a denial of your FOIA request, you have a right of review by the Illinois Attorney General's Public Access Counselor, who can be contacted at 500 South Second Street, Springfield, Illinois 62706, or by telephone at (217) 558-0486. You may also seek judicial review of a denial under 5 ILCS 140/11 of FOIA.

Sincerely,

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Independent Police Review Authority