

## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

May 3, 2018

**Dianna Mateya**  
**via the FOI website**

Dear Dianna Mateya,

regarding your Freedom of Information request titled “nigga” we collected the following information:

Nigga () is a colloquial term used in African American Vernacular English that began as an eye dialect form of the word nigger, an ethnic slur against black people. In some dialects of English, the word is pronounced the same as nigger in non-rhotic speech.

Sincerely,

John Smith  
**FOI Manager**