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To: **Betsy Kim** <betsyk@usafacts.org>
Subject: FW: FOIA response Rap kits
Date: 23.05.2023 19:21:42 (+02:00)

Betsy,
Please see below for the response from the Lab.

Thank you

From: Best, Jessica <Jessica.Best@ct.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 2:23 PM
To: Kacperski, Violette <Violette.Kacperski@ct.gov>
Subject: RE: FOIA response Rap kits

Good afternoon,

Per the Assistant Director of FB/DNA:

No kits were left untested by the end of each year.

2022 numbers were given in part A.

Total kits in 2022 = 542

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Subject: FW: FOIA response Rap kits

Jess,
We just got this email regarding one of our FOIA requests regarding the rape kits. Please see bellow.

Thank you

Violette

From: Betsy Kim <betsyk@usafacts.org>
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Subject: Re: FOIA response Rap kits

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Hi Violette,

I just called the Legal Affairs Unit to reach you, but no one seems to be at the phone.

Thank you very much for responding to my request. I have some urgent follow-up questions. As a heads-up I just got laid off and the last day I have to publish my piece on the national rape kit backlog (which I have been working on for six months) is tomorrow, so I would need to hear your responses to the questions I have by today.

1. My records request had been inquiring about rape kit **backlogs -- i.e., rape kits that had not been tested within 30 days and were still untested in the lab at the end of the year**. Are the figures you provided me with consistent with that? (ex: are the 66 kits from 2018 kits that were not tested within 30 days and also not tested by the end of the year). If not, could I see those numbers for 2018-2022? If there were no kits left untested by the end of each year from 2018-2022, I just need confirmation that that was the case.
2. Regarding item E, my records request had asked for total number of kits tested within **30 days in 2022, not 2023**. Is this number for 2022? If not, would you be able to provide that?
3. What is the total number kits received by the crime lab in 2022? (This was not in my original records request, but if you have it readily available it would be helpful for me to have it.)

Thank you for your consideration and really hoping to hear back from you soon. If there's some response to my questions that you can provide (but not all), that's fine, I would appreciate if you could let me know as soon as possible.

Sincerely,
Betsy



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Good morning,

Please see attached response to your FOIA request.

Thank you

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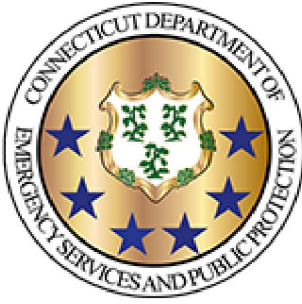
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