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Public Record Requests

City of Battle Ground, WA

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Request 24-438 Open



Dates

Received

June 7, 2024 via web

Requester

 Heather Kelly

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 WA

Additional information

How would you like to receive your records?
Electronically, Paper Copies, or Inspect in Person.
Electronically

Invoices

No invoices due

Staff assigned

Departments

Police Department

Point of contact

Request

Under the Washington Public Records Act, §42.56 et seq., I am requesting any/all of the following records from the Battle Ground Police Department:

- 1) A list of all vehicle pursuit incidents that your agency was involved in from 2019 through 2023, as a line-level data extract from your records management system (RMS), including incident date, report number, and any/all other RMS data fields that are not required to be redacted by law;
- 2) Policy manuals, rules, and regulations for your agency relating to vehicle pursuits, including record-keeping and data collection on pursuits, that were in effect between 2019 and 2023;
- 3) Summaries of vehicle pursuit data for your agency, such as what may be contained in internal and/or external publications (annual reports, newsletters, presentations to government officials, etc.) produced between 2019 through 2023.

This information is not being sought for commercial purposes. The Washington Public Records Act requires a response to this request be made within five (5) business days. If access to the records I am requesting will take longer than this amount of time, please contact me with information about when I might expect copies or the ability to inspect the requested records.

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Timeline

Documents

**Message to requester**

Requester + Staff

Good Morning,

I have made 4 documents available via the NextRequest portal as the first installment to your request, no redactions have been applied.

3 of these documents are BCPD's Policy regarding Vehicle Pursuits that were in effect between 2019-2023. I am still searching reasonable locations for additional documents used that would be responsive to "rules and regulations" regarding our department's use of vehicle pursuits.

1 document is a breakdown of vehicle pursuits our agency conducted from 2015-current. Per our phone conversation, we both agreed that this would be responsive to item 1 in your request, the secondary portion of our RMS screenshots will be released in installment 2.

I anticipate having installment 2 ready for release on or before July 19, 2024.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach me via message or email at kayla.whitmire@cityofbg.org, or by phone at 360.342.5211.

Thank you so much!

Kayla

June 20, 2024, 10:37am by Staff

**Document(s) released to requester**

Requester + Staff

Policy 200-34 Vehicle Pursuits -
Published 072216-101821.pdf
Policy 200-34 Vehicle Pursuits -
Published 080923-Current.pdf
Policy 200-34 Vehicle Pursuits -
Published 101921-080823.pdf
BGPD Vehicle Pursuits.pdf

June 20, 2024, 9:46am by Staff



Message to requester



Requester + Staff

Good Afternoon,

I was reviewing item 1 pertaining to your request. I was conducting different searches in our records management system but the results aren't very accurate. I do however, have a spreadsheet that our admin staff keep that details actual vehicle pursuits. It includes the incident number, related case number, employee involved, date of incident, if there was any discipline, and miscellaneous notes.

Would you consider that spreadsheet responsive rather than an RMS search?

The issue with the RMS search is trying to find the "right" word. If I type in vehicle pursuits, I get reports that detail how the officers opted not to engage.

Let me know how you'd like me to proceed, and if you have any other questions or concerns, you can respond directly to this message or call me at 360-342-5211.

Thank you!

Kayla Whitmire

BGPD Records

June 13, 2024, 2:17pm by Staff



Message to requester



Requester + Staff

Hello,

The Battle Ground Police Department is in receipt of your public records request for "Under the Washington Public Records Act, §42.56 et seq., I am requesting any/all of the following records from the Battle Ground Police Department:

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Due to current staffing and availability, we anticipate documents will be ready for release on or before 6/21/2024.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding your request, please contact our office at 360-342-5200.

Thank you for your patience while we address your request.

Sincerely,

BGPD Records

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June 13, 2024, 9:30am by Staff



Message to requester



Requester + Staff

Thank you for your interest in City of Battle Ground public records. Your request has been received and has been forwarded to the appropriate department(s) for processing.

The initial response to your request for public records will be made within five (5) business days (per RCW 42.56). Within that response period, we may complete your request, deny the request, or inform you that additional time is needed to process your request. If more time is needed, an estimated date of completion will be provided.

Please note that your request may incur fees. Please refer to the Fee Schedule at <https://www.cityofbg.org/163/Finance> for any charges that may apply to this request.

Effective January 1, 2023, the fees for public records are as follows:

- Paper Copies: \$0.15 per page

- Public Records Scanned into Electronic Format: \$0.10 per page
- Every four electronic files or attachments uploaded to email, cloud-based storage, or other means of electronic delivery: \$0.07
- Records transmitted in electronic format: \$0.12 per gigabyte
- Digital Storage Media or Devices: Actual Cost
- Any container used to mail copies or media: Actual Cost
- Postage or delivery charges: Actual Cost
- Customized service charge: Actual Cost

Again, thank you for using the Public Records Center.

Sincerely,

City of Battle Ground, Washington

Public Records

June 7, 2024, 4:11pm



Department assignment

Public

Police Department

June 7, 2024, 4:11pm by Heather Kelly



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