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Subject: RE: South Dakota Open Records Law Request: SD police data collection (2017-2022) (Rapid City Police Department)

Good morning,

The Rapid City Police Department had received your request for information. See below in red for our response.



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March 19, 2024

To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to the South Dakota Open Records Law, I hereby request the following records:

1. the total number of use of force incidents reported from 2017-2022, separated by year.
2. the total number of use of force incidents, separated by type of force and year, from 2017-2022 (for example, information that specifies the number of taser incidents in 2022, baton incidents in 2022, taser incidents in 2021, baton incidents in 2021, etc.)

Per South Dakota Codified Law (SDCL 1-27-1.5), records that are developed or received by law enforcement agencies are exempt from public records that are open to inspection and copying. The requested information will not be released without a court order. All public information concerning the FBI's Use of Force Date Collection program can be found on their website: [Use-of-Force — FBI](#)

3. the total number of civilian complaints against law enforcement that were reported and the total number sustained from 2017-2022, separated by year.

4. the total number of civilian complaints alleging law enforcement use of excessive force that were reported and the total number sustained from 2017-2022, separated by year.

5. the total number of civilian complaints alleging biased policing or racial profiling that were reported and the total number sustained from 2017-2022, separated by year.

6. the total number of civilian complaints alleging criminal conduct that were reported and the total number sustained from 2017-2022, separated by year.

All public information concerning civilian complaints can be found on our website: [Stats, Reports, and Forms | Rapid City South Dakota \(rcgov.org\)](#)

7. the total number of officer-involved shootings from 2017-2022, both fatal and non-fatal, separated by year.

All public information concerning officer involved shootings can be found on the Attorney General's website: [South Dakota Attorney General \(sd.gov\)](#)

8. the total number of people who police used force against in 2022, broken down by race/ethnicity.

All public information concerning the FBI's Use of Force Date Collection program can be found on their website: [Use-of-Force — FBI](#)

When available, I would appreciate being sent individualized data in this request in spreadsheet format. If individualized data are unavailable, please send information that includes aggregate statistics for the item instead.

Note that my requests for civilian complaints are specifically for civilian complaints, please do not include complaints filed by one officer/the department against another officer.

The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes.

In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 10 business days, as the statute requires.

Sincerely,

Samuel Sinyangwe

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