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Re: Petition for Public Records Disclosure Order
Department of Administrative Services
DOJ File No.: 107011-GA0055-24

Dear Mr. Myers:

This letter is the Attorney General's response to your petition for disclosure under the Oregon Public Records Law, ORS 192.311 to 192.478. Your petition, which we received May 22, 2024, relates to a February 22, 2024 request to the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) for various grant agreements with the Oregon Community Foundation (OCF) and any reports from OCF submitted to DAS under those agreements. Your petition expresses your belief that DAS has failed to provide various reports from OCF or to explain whether or not DAS possesses them. We understand your petition to be asking the Attorney General to order DAS to disclose any remaining OCF reports that it possesses. For the reasons discussed below, we respectfully deny your petition.

The Public Records Law confers the right to inspect public records in Oregon, unless such records are exempt under ORS 192.338, 192.345, or 192.355. ORS 192.314(1). Any person denied the right to inspect or to receive a copy of a public record of a state agency may petition the Attorney General to review the record and determine if it may be withheld. ORS 192.411(1). The agency carries the burden to sustain any such denial. *Id*.

We discussed your petition with Bryanna Duke, DAS' Public Records Manager. She explained DAS' position that it completed its response to your request in early April, that it did not deny any aspect of your request, and that it did not locate any additional responsive records. She also explained that in light of your petition, DAS is double checking that it does not possess any additional responsive records.

On the available record, we have no reason to second guess Ms. Duke's representations. And because DAS has completed its response and not otherwise denied any aspect of your request, we respectfully deny your petition.

Sincerely,

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