

September 5, 2017

Director David Hewitt
Hennepin County Office to End Homelessness
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Sent via email to
hcdatarequest@hennepin.us

RE: Public Records Request

Dear Mr. Hewitt:

Pursuant to the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act (Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 13), I write to request access to and inspection of the public portions of the following:

- All government data created, received, maintained or disseminated by Hennepin County Office to End Homelessness relating to the six goals identified in the ten year plan, including data by the community partner organizations and individuals identified in the 2006-2016 ten year plan.
- All government data created, received, maintained or disseminated by the office to end homelessness relating to the purview, operations, expenditures, staff and authority of the Hennepin County Office to End Homelessness.
- All government data created, received, maintained or disseminated by the office to end homelessness relating to the successful implementation of the Ten Year Plan targets, identified as follows;
 1. “Change the paradigm from *managing* homelessness to ending it, from *funding* programs to investing in the community, from serving people to *partnering* with people to achieve self-sufficiency.”
 2. “Drastically reduce the number of shelter beds in our community, requiring only a few small shelters to address emergencies that cannot be resolved through prevention. People will be rapidly rehoused within two weeks.”

3. "Eliminate panhandling and other livability issues through providing prevention and outreach services. Downtown businesses will thrive as more people both move downtown and come downtown to shop, play and attend Twins games."
- All government data and documents created, received, maintained or disseminated by the office to end homelessness documenting efforts undertaken to ensure that those charged with addressing the problem of homelessness and receiving financial remuneration for their work are reflective of the populations served.

As coordinator for the Hennepin County Office to End Homelessness, we understand you to be the designated responsible authority for this data.

I would like to be able to inspect the data by September 15, 2017. If the data will not be available by this date, please let me know when they will be available. I may be reached at 952-457-2288 or mhastings752@gmail.com or marghastings@icloud.com

I understand the Data Practices Act to require you to respond promptly to my request. If you choose to deny this request, please provide a written explanation for the denial including a reference to the specific statutory sections upon which you rely. Also, I am aware that you are required under Chapter 13 to separate public from nonpublic data at no cost to us. Please make the public data available.

Please be advised that I am prepared to pursue whatever legal remedy is necessary in order to obtain access to the requested records. Also, please note that willful violation of the Data Practices Act could result in the imposition of disciplinary action and the award of costs and disbursements, including reasonable attorney fees.

I look forward to a prompt reply. Thank you for your assistance.

Respectfully,

Margaret Hastings

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