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Fruitport Charter Township, Muskegon County 5865 Airline Road Fruitport, MI 49415 Phone: (231) 865-3151

Request Form
Note: Requestors are not required to use this form.
The township may complete one for recordkeeping if not used.

FOIA Request for Public Records Michigan Freedom of Information Act, Public Act 442 of 1976, MCL 15.231, et seq.

Request No.: Da	ate Received:	Check if received via: Date <u>delivered</u> to junk/spar		
Name			Phone	
Firm/Organization			Fax	
Street			Email	
City		State	Zip	
(Please Print or Type)		Date <u>discovered</u> in junk/sp	am folder:	
Request for: Copy	□ Certified copy □ Reco	ord inspection	cription to record issued or	regular basis
Delivery Method: □ Will pick □ Deliver on digital media provi	⟨ up			o address above
Note: The township is not require technological capability to do so.		tal format or on digital media	if the township does not al	ready have the
Describe the public record(s) a	as specifically as possible. \	ou may use this form or atta	ach additional sheets:	
Consent to Non-Statutory Extension of Township's Response Time I have requested a copy of records or a subscription to records or the opportunity to inspect records, pursuant to the Michigan Freedom of Information Act, Public Act 442 of 1976, MCL 15.231, et seq. I understand that the township must respond to this request within five (5) business days after receiving it, and that response may include taking a 10-business day extension. However, I hereby agree and stipulate to extend the township's response time for this request until: (month, day, year).				
Requestor's Signature				Date

Records Located on Website

If the township directly or indirectly administers or maintains an official internet presence, any public records available to the general public on that internet site at the time the request is made are exempt from any labor charges to redact (separate exempt information from nonexempt information).

If the FOIA coordinator knows or has reason to know that all or a portion of the requested information is available on its website, the township must notify the requestor in its written response that all or a portion of the requested information is available on its website. The written response, to the degree practicable in the specific instance, must include a specific webpage address where the requested information is available. On the detailed cost itemization form, the township must separate the requested public records that are available on its website from those that are not available on the website and must inform the requestor of the additional charge to receive copies of the public records that are available on its website.

If the township has included the website address for a record in its written response to the requestor and the requestor thereafter stipulates that the public record be provided to him or her in a paper format or other form, including digital media, the township must provide the public records in the specified format (if the township has the technological capability) but may use a fringe benefit multiplier greater than the 50%, not to exceed the actual costs of providing the information in the specified format.

Request for Copies/Duplication of Records on Township Website

I hereby stipulate that, even if some or all of the records are located on a township website. I am requesting that the township make copies of those

records on the website and deliver them to me in the format I have requested above. I understand that some FOIA fees may appl	y.		
Requestor's Signature	Date		
Overtime Labor Costs			
Overtime wages shall not be included in the calculation of labor costs unless overtime is specifically stipulated by the requestor at the detailed cost itemization form.	and clearly noted on		
Consent to Overtime Labor Costs			
I hereby agree and stipulate to the township using overtime wages in calculating the following labor costs as itemized in the follow	ving categories:		
1. □ Labor to copy/duplicate 2. □ Labor to locate 3a. □ Labor to redact 3b. □ Contract labor to	redact		
6b. □ Labor to copy/duplicate records already on township's website			
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Requestor's Signature	Date		
Request for Discount: Indigence			
A public record search must be made and a copy of a public record must be furnished without charge for the first \$20.00 of th request by an individual who is entitled to information under this act and who: 1) Submits an affidavit stating that the individual is indigent and receiving specific public assistance, OR	e fee for each		
 2) If not receiving public assistance, stating facts showing inability to pay the cost because of indigence. If a requestor is ineligible for the discount, the public body shall inform the requestor specifically of the reason for ineligibility in the public body's 			
written response. An individual is ineligible for this fee reduction if ANY of the following apply:	,		
(i) The individual has previously received discounted copies of public records from the same public body twice during the	at calendar year,		
(ii) The individual requests the information in conjunction with outside parties who are offering or providing payment or			
to the individual to make the request. A public body may require a statement by the requestor in the affidavit that the rec	quest is not being		
made in conjunction with outside parties in exchange for payment or other remuneration.			
Office Use: ☐ Affidavit Received ☐ Eligible for Discount ☐ Ineligible for I			
I am submitting an affidavit and requesting that I receive the discount for indigence for this FOIA request:	Date:		
Requestor's Signature:			
Request for Discount: Nonprofit Organization	•		
A public record search must be made and a copy of a public record must be furnished without charge for the first \$20.00 of the	e fee for each		
request by a nonprofit organization formally designated by the state to carry out activities under subtitle C of the Developmental Disabilities			
Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000 and the Protection and Advocacy for Individuals with Mental Illness Act, if the request meets ALL of the			
following requirements:			
(i) Is made directly on behalf of the organization or its clients.			
(ii) Is made for a reason wholly consistent with the mission and provisions of those laws under section 931 of the Mental Health Code, 1974 PA 258, MCL 330.1931.			
(iii) Is accompanied by documentation of its designation by the state, if requested by the township.			
	le for Discount		
I stipulate that I am a designated agent for the nonprofit organization making this FOIA request and that this request is made	Date:		
directly on behalf of the organization or its clients and is made for a reason wholly consistent with the mission and provisions of			
those laws under section 931 of the Mental Health Code, 1974 PA 258, MCL 330.1931:			
Requestor's Signature:			

Extension Form

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Notice to Extend Response Time for FOIA Request Michigan Freedom of Information Act, Public Act 442 of 1976, MCL 15.231, et seq.

Signature of FOIA Coordinator:	Date:
□ 3. Other (describe):	
	requested public records from numerous field offices, facilities, or other establishments that e. Specifically, the township must coordinate documents from the following locations:
public records pursuant to your reques	Specifically, the township must:
☐ 1. The township needs to search for	Reason for Extension: collect, or appropriately examine or review a voluminous amount of separate and distinct
	public body from any of the other requirements of this act.
Estimated Time Frame to Provide R The time frame estimate is population	cords: (days or date) pon the township, but the township is providing the estimate in good faith. Providing an
Only one extension may be taken per	your FOIA request for no more than 10 business days, until (month, day, year) DIA request. If you have any questions regarding this extension, contact
Record(s) You Requested: (Listed he	e or see attached copy of original request)
Delivery Method: □ Will pick up	fied copy Record inspection Subscription to record issued on regular basis Will make own copies onsite Mail to address above Email to address above the township:
City	State Zip
Street	Email
Firm/Organization	Fax
Name	Phone
(Please Print or Type)	Date discovered in junk/spam folder:
Date of This Notice:	Date <u>delivered</u> to junk/spam folder:



Date:

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Notice of Denial of FOIA Request

Michigan Freedom of Information Act, Public Act 442 of 1976, MCL 15.231, et seq.

Request No.: Date Received: Date of This Notice:		Email Fax Other Electronic Method m folder:	
Name		Phone	
Firm/Organization		Fax	
Street		Email	
City	State	Zip	
(Please Print or Type) Request for: □ Copy □ Certified copy □ Record	Date <u>discovered</u> in junk/sp rd inspection ☐ Subso	oam folder: cription to record issued on regular basis	
Delivery Method: □ Will pick up □ Will make own copi □ Deliver on digital media provided by the township:			
Record(s) You Requested: (Listed here or see attached copy	of original request)		
□ All OR □ Part of your request for records has been denied. Please refer to this form for an explanation. If you have any questions regarding this denial, contact			
☐ 2. Record Does Not Exist: This item does not exist under known to the township. A certificate that the public record does does exist, provide a description that will enable us to locate the	not exist under the name given	ven is attached. If you believe this record	
☐ 3. Redaction: A portion of the requested record had to be some subsection (insert number), because:			
A brief description of the information that had to be separated o	r deleted:		
You are entitled under Section 10 of the Michigan Freedom of Info commence an action in the Circuit Court to compel disclosure of the rulf, after judicial review, the court determines that the township has no	equested records if you believe t complied with MCL 15.235 in	appeal this denial to the township board or to e they were wrongfully withheld from disclosure. In making this denial and orders disclosure of all	
or a portion of a public record, you have the right to receive attorney additional information on your rights.)	s rees and damages as provi	ided in MCL 15.240. (See back of this form for	

Signature of FOIA Coordinator:

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (EXCERPT) Act 442 of 1976

15.240.amended Options by requesting person; appeal; actions by public body; receipt of written appeal; judicial review; civil action; venue; de novo proceeding; burden of proof; private view of public record; contempt; assignment of action or appeal for hearing, trial, or argument; attorneys' fees, costs, and disbursements; assessment of award; damages.

- (1) If a public body makes a final determination to deny all or a portion of a request, the requesting person may do 1 of the following at his or her option:
 - (a) Submit to the head of the public body a written appeal that specifically states the word "appeal" and identifies the reason or reasons for reversal of the denial.
 - (b) Commence a civil action in the circuit court, or if the decision of a state public body is at issue, the court of claims, to compel the public body's disclosure of the public records within 180 days after a public body's final determination to deny a request.
- (2) Within 10 business days after receiving a written appeal pursuant to subsection (1)(a), the head of a public body shall do 1 of the following:
 - (a) Reverse the disclosure denial.
 - (b) Issue a written notice to the requesting person upholding the disclosure denial.
 - (c) Reverse the disclosure denial in part and issue a written notice to the requesting person upholding the disclosure denial in part.
 - (d) Under unusual circumstances, issue a notice extending for not more than 10 business days the period during which the head of the public body shall respond to the written appeal. The head of a public body shall not issue more than 1 notice of extension for a particular written appeal.
- (3) A board or commission that is the head of a public body is not considered to have received a written appeal under subsection (2) until the first regularly scheduled meeting of that board or commission following submission of the written appeal under subsection (1)(a). If the head of the public body fails to respond to a written appeal pursuant to subsection (2), or if the head of the public body upholds all or a portion of the disclosure denial that is the subject of the written appeal, the requesting person may seek judicial review of the nondisclosure by commencing a civil action under subsection (1)(b).
- (4) In an action commenced under subsection (1)(b), a court that determines a public record is not exempt from disclosure shall order the public body to cease withholding or to produce all or a portion of a public record wrongfully withheld, regardless of the location of the public record. Venue for an action against a local public body is proper in the circuit court for the county in which the public record or an office of the public body is located has venue over the action. The court shall determine the matter de novo and the burden is on the public body to sustain its denial. The court, on its own motion, may view the public record in controversy in private before reaching a decision. Failure to comply with an order of the court may be punished as contempt of court.
- (5) An action commenced under this section and an appeal from an action commenced under this section shall be assigned for hearing and trial or for argument at the earliest practicable date and expedited in every way.
- (6) If a person asserting the right to inspect, copy, or receive a copy of all or a portion of a public record prevails in an action commenced under this section, the court shall award reasonable attorneys' fees, costs, and disbursements. If the person or public body prevails in part, the court may, in its discretion, award all or an appropriate portion of reasonable attorneys' fees, costs, and disbursements. The award shall be assessed against the public body liable for damages under subsection (7).
- (7) If the court determines in an action commenced under this section that the public body has arbitrarily and capriciously violated this act by refusal or delay in disclosing or providing copies of a public record, the court shall order the public body to pay a civil fine of \$1,000.00, which shall be deposited into the general fund of the state treasury. The court shall award, in addition to any actual or compensatory damages, punitive damages in the amount of \$1,000.00 to the person seeking the right to inspect or receive a copy of a public record. The damages shall not be assessed against an individual, but shall be assessed against the next succeeding public body that is not an individual and that kept or maintained the public record as part of its public function.

History: 1976, Act 442, Eff. Apr. 13, 1977 ;-- Am. 1978, Act 329, Imd. Eff. July 11, 1978 ;-- Am. 1996, Act 553, Eff. Mar. 31, 1997 ;-- Am. 2014, Act 563, Eff. July 1, 2015

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FOIA Appeal Form—To Appeal a Denial of Records Michigan Freedom of Information Act, Public Act 442 of 1976, MCL 15.231, et seq.

Request No.: Date of This Notice:	Date Received:	Check if received via: ☐ Email ☐ Fax ☐ Other Electronic Method Date <u>delivered</u> to junk/spam folder:
Name		Phone
Firm/Organization		Fax
Street		Email
City		State Zip
Delivery Method: □ Will	pick up Will make own copi	Date <u>discovered</u> in junk/spam folder: ord inspection □ Subscription to record issued on regular basis ies onsite □ Mail to address above □ Email to address above
Record(s) You Requested: (Lis	sted here or see attached copy of orig	ginal request)
	ntify the reasons for reversal of the de	on(s) for Appeal: enial of records. You may use this form or attach additional sheets:
Requestor's Signature:		Date:
The township must provide a res		ship Response: receiving this appeal, including a determination or taking one 10-day extension.
(month, day	y, year). Only one extension may be t	r FOIA denial of records appeal for no more than 10 business days, until aken per FOIA appeal.
If you have any questions regard	ding this extension, contact the Fruitp	ort Charter Township Clerk.
	Townsh nial Upheld □ Denial Reversed ir	nip Determination:
	Notice of Paguester's	Right to Seek Judicial Review
commence an action in the Circl If, after judicial review, the court	10 of the Michigan Freedom of Info uit Court to compel disclosure of the r t determines that the township has no you have the right to receive attorne	ormation Act, MCL 15.240, to appeal this denial to the township board or to requested records if you believe they were wrongfully withheld from disclosure. It complied with MCL 15.235 in making this denial and orders disclosure of all ys' fees and damages as provided in MCL 15.240. (See back of this form for
Signature of FOIA Coordinato	r:	Date:

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (EXCERPT) Act 442 of 1976

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 - (a) Submit to the head of the public body a written appeal that specifically states the word "appeal" and identifies the reason or reasons for reversal of the denial.
 - (b) Commence a civil action in the circuit court, or if the decision of a state public body is at issue, the court of claims, to compel the public body's disclosure of the public records within 180 days after a public body's final determination to deny a request.
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- (5) An action commenced under this section and an appeal from an action commenced under this section shall be assigned for hearing and trial or for argument at the earliest practicable date and expedited in every way.
- (6) If a person asserting the right to inspect, copy, or receive a copy of all or a portion of a public record prevails in an action commenced under this section, the court shall award reasonable attorneys' fees, costs, and disbursements. If the person or public body prevails in part, the court may, in its discretion, award all or an appropriate portion of reasonable attorneys' fees, costs, and disbursements. The award shall be assessed against the public body liable for damages under subsection (7).
- (7) If the court determines in an action commenced under this section that the public body has arbitrarily and capriciously violated this act by refusal or delay in disclosing or providing copies of a public record, the court shall order the public body to pay a civil fine of \$1,000.00, which shall be deposited into the general fund of the state treasury. The court shall award, in addition to any actual or compensatory damages, punitive damages in the amount of \$1,000.00 to the person seeking the right to inspect or receive a copy of a public record. The damages shall not be assessed against an individual, but shall be assessed against the next succeeding public body that is not an individual and that kept or maintained the public record as part of its public function.

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Fee Appeal Form

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FOIA Appeal Form—To Appeal an Excess Fee

Michigan Freedom of Information Act, Public Act 442 of 1976, MCL 15.231, et seq.

Request No.:			ail Fax Other Electronic Method	
Date of This Notice:		Date <u>delivered</u> to junk/spam f	older:	
(Please Print or Type)		Date <u>discovered</u> in junk/spam	ı folder:	
Request for:	☐ Certified copy ☐ Record i	nspection Subscription to		
Name			none	
Firm/Organization		Fa		
Street		Email		
City		State Zi	p	
	pick up			
• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	(Listed here or see attached copy of orig	• •		
The appeal must enecifically	Reason identify how the required fee(s) exceed to	on(s) for Appeal:	o this form or attach additional abouts:	
	ridentity flow the required fee(s) exceed to	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Requestor's Signature:			Date:	
	Town	ship Response:		
The township must provide a			letermination or taking one 10-day extension.	
(month, day, year). Only one	are extending the date to respond to you e extension may be taken per FOIA appearanting extension:	al.	10 business days, until	
If you have any questions re	garding this extension, contact the Fruitp	ort Charter Township Clerk.		
Township Determination:	☐ Fee Waived ☐ Fee Reduced	I □ Fee Upheld		
Written basis for township de	etermination:			
	Notice of Paguester's	Pight to Sook Judicial Poviou	,	
amount permitted under the a fee reduction within 45 day commenced in court, the to	on 10a of the Michigan Freedom of Infortownship's written Procedures and Guid ys after receiving the notice of the require ownship is not obligated to compete porequired a fee that exceeded the permit	elines to the township board or to ed fee or a determination of an approcessing the request until the c	peal a FOIA fee that you believe exceeds the commence an action in the Circuit Court for beal to the township board. If a civil action is ourt resolves the fee dispute. If the court the fee to a permissible amount. (See back	
Signature of FOIA Coordin	ator:		Date:	

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (EXCERPT) Act 442 of 1976

15.240a.added Fee in excess of amount permitted under procedures and guidelines or MCL 15.234.

Sec. 10a.

- (1) If a public body requires a fee that exceeds the amount permitted under its publicly available procedures and guidelines or section 4, the requesting person may do any of the following:
- (a) If the public body provides for fee appeals to the head of the public body in its publicly available procedures and guidelines, submit to the head of the public body a written appeal for a fee reduction that specifically states the word "appeal" and identifies how the required fee exceeds the amount permitted under the public body's available procedures and guidelines or section 4.
- (b) Commence a civil action in the circuit court, or if the decision of a state public body is at issue, in the court of claims, for a fee reduction. The action must be filed within 45 days after receiving the notice of the required fee or a determination of an appeal to the head of a public body. If a civil action is commenced against the public body under this subdivision, the public body is not obligated to complete the processing of the written request for the public record at issue until the court resolves the fee dispute. An action shall not be filed under this subdivision unless 1 of the following applies:
- (i) The public body does not provide for appeals under subdivision (a).
- (ii) The head of the public body failed to respond to a written appeal as required under subsection (2).
- (iii) The head of the public body issued a determination to a written appeal as required under subsection (2).
- (2) Within 10 business days after receiving a written appeal under subsection (1)(a), the head of a public body shall do 1 of the following:
- (a) Waive the fee.
- (b) Reduce the fee and issue a written determination to the requesting person indicating the specific basis under section 4 that supports the remaining fee. The determination shall include a certification from the head of the public body that the statements in the determination are accurate and that the reduced fee amount complies with its publicly available procedures and guidelines and section 4.
- (c) Uphold the fee and issue a written determination to the requesting person indicating the specific basis under section 4 that supports the required fee. The determination shall include a certification from the head of the public body that the statements in the determination are accurate and that the fee amount complies with the public body's publicly available procedures and guidelines and section 4.
- (d) Issue a notice extending for not more than 10 business days the period during which the head of the public body must respond to the written appeal. The notice of extension shall include a detailed reason or reasons why the extension is necessary. The head of a public body shall not issue more than 1 notice of extension for a particular written appeal.
- (3) A board or commission that is the head of a public body is not considered to have received a written appeal under subsection (2) until the first regularly scheduled meeting of that board or commission following submission of the written appeal under subsection (1)(a).
- (4) In an action commenced under subsection (1)(b), a court that determines the public body required a fee that exceeds the amount permitted under its publicly available procedures and guidelines or section 4 shall reduce the fee to a permissible amount. Venue for an action against a local public body is proper in the circuit court for the county in which the public record or an office of the public body is located. The court shall determine the matter de novo, and the burden is on the public body to establish that the required fee complies with its publicly available procedures and guidelines and section 4. Failure to comply with an order of the court may be punished as contempt of court.
- (5) An action commenced under this section and an appeal from an action commenced under this section shall be assigned for hearing and trial or for argument at the earliest practicable date and expedited in every way.
- (6) If the requesting person prevails in an action commenced under this section by receiving a reduction of 50% or more of the total fee, the court may, in its discretion, award all or an appropriate portion of reasonable attorneys' fees, costs, and disbursements. The award shall be assessed against the public body liable for damages under subsection (7).
- (7) If the court determines in an action commenced under this section that the public body has arbitrarily and capriciously violated this act by charging an excessive fee, the court shall order the public body to pay a civil fine of \$500.00, which shall be deposited in the general fund of the state treasury. The court may also award, in addition to any actual or compensatory damages, punitive damages in the amount of \$500.00 to the person seeking the fee reduction. The fine and any damages shall not be assessed against an individual, but shall be assessed against the next succeeding public body that is not an individual and that kept or maintained the public record as part of its public function.
- (8) As used in this section, "fee" means the total fee or any component of the total fee calculated under section 4, including any deposit.

History: Add. 2014, Act 563, Eff. July 1, 2015