

Ashleigh Costello

From: Jenkins, Janet A. DPI <Janet.Jenkins@dpi.wi.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, December 05, 2012 3:17 PM
To: 'Ashleigh Costello'
Subject: RE: Public Records Request Dated November 16, 2012

Hi Ashleigh –

The department charges \$.15 per copy. For the 104,275 pages that staff believe are responsive to your request, the total for copies is \$15,641. Assuming an average salary of \$18 / hour plus fringe benefits of \$ 7.02/hour for a total staff time cost of \$25.02 per hour, the 173 hours staff estimate it will take to respond to your request would be \$4,320.46. Thus, the total cost is \$19,969.46.

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From: Ashleigh Costello [<mailto:ashleigh@eagnews.org>]
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Hi Janet,

Could you give me a rough estimate of how much this would cost to proceed?

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From: Jenkins, Janet A. DPI [<mailto:Janet.Jenkins@dpi.wi.gov>]
Sent: Monday, December 03, 2012 2:54 PM
To: 'Ashleigh Costello'
Subject: Public Records Request Dated November 16, 2012

Hi Ashleigh –

I write in response to your public records request dated November 16, 2012. In that request, you ask for all records related to CREATE Wisconsin and the most easily locatable and reproducible records that list all expenditures related to the CREATE Wisconsin initiative.

I forwarded your request to appropriate staff, and they advised that there are approximately 104,275 pages of records that are responsive to your request for “all records”. Staff further indicates that the cost of reproducing those records will take 173 hours.

In order to assist in whittling the request down, if that is what you want to do, the state has 4 school years of records. Those comprising the largest number of pages are CESA 6which apparently had some role in administering the grants awarded. Staff estimates that these documents contain from 43,000 pages to 55,000

pages. Miscellaneous documents, notes (to the extent they are subject to the law), and emails comprise approximately 20,000-30,000 pages. The needs assessment district reports comprise approximately 10,000 to 15,000 pages. The total does not include the responses that can be found on the department's website. At this point, I have not gone through any of the records to determine whether there are some that are not subject to the public records law or need to be redacted.

Given the enormous cost of this request, I write to request how you would like to proceed. Thanks.

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