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Hello Laura,

I'm with Stax, a research consulting firm. We are currently researching the paratransit space, and are requesting the following information under the Freedom of Information Act:

1. Luzerne County's total spend on paratransit services in 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018.
2. The percentage of Luzerne County's paratransit spend that was reimbursed by the federal government for 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018.
3. The percentage of Luzerne County's paratransit spend that was reimbursed by the state for 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018.
4. The amounts Urbanized Area Formula Grants (5307), Enhanced Mobility of Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities (5310), and Formula Grants for Rural Areas (5311) that Luzerne County received in 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018.
5. The percentage of 5307, 5310, and 5311 funds that Luzerne County spent on paratransit services in 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

Kate

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Right-To-Know Response Form

July 7, 2019

Kate Jennings
VIA EMAIL ONLY TO kjennings@stax.com
RTK REQUEST #19-099

Dear Ms. Jennings:

Thank you for writing to Luzerne County with your request for information pursuant to the Pennsylvania Right- To-Know law ("RTKL").

Recently, the Luzerne County Office of Law received a request for documents from you described in the attached Right To Know request. Your request is denied because Luzerne County does not maintain these documents. §705 of the RTKL states that "when responding to a request for access, an agency shall not be required to create a record which does not currently exist or to compile, maintain, format or organize a record in a manner in which the agency does not currently compile, maintain, format or organize the record".

In order to further assist you, I would advise you to direct your request to the Luzerne County Transportation Authority. They are most likely the entity that can process your request.

You have a right to appeal this denial of information in writing to Executive Director, Office of Open Records, Commonwealth Keystone Building, 400 North Street, 4th Floor, Harrisburg, PA 17120.

If you choose to file an appeal you must do so within 15 business days of the mailing date of the agency's response. Section 1101. If you have further questions, please contact Laura C. Dennis. Please be advised that this correspondence will serve to close this record with our office as permitted by law.

Respectfully,

Laura C. Dennis, Esq.
Luzerne County
Open Records Officer
200 North River Street
Wilkes-Barre, PA 18711