

March 18, 2021

Denise Vaughan  
Public Records Officer  
Department of Corrections  
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Olympia, WA 98504-1118

Dear Officer Vaughan:

Under the Washington Public Records Act, §42.56 et seq., I am requesting the following information:

- 1) A complete and accurate count of inmates who identify as transgender (gender identity differs from sex identified at birth) in the custody of the Washington Department of Corrections [please break this information down by location].
- 2) Number of inmates that have been transferred from a men's facility to a women's facility since January 01, 2021?
- 3) Total number of male persons who identify as female, non-binary, or any other gender identity that are currently housed in a women's facility?
- 4) Number of inmates who have transferred from a women's facility to a men's facility from January 01, 2021 to March 18, 2021?
- 5) Number of female persons who identify as male, non-binary or any other gender identity that are currently housed in a men's facility?

In the event that disclosure of the requested information is in the public interest and will contribute significantly to the public's understanding of the Washington Department of Corrections placement policy. This information is not being sought for commercial purposes.

The Washington Public Records Act requires a response to this request be made within five business days. If access to the records I am requesting will take longer than this amount of time, please contact me with information about when I might expect copies or the ability to inspect the requested records.

If you deny any or all of this request, please cite each specific exemption you feel justifies the refusal to release the information and notify me of the appeal procedures available to me under the law.

Thank you for considering my request.

Sincerely,