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Via Email Only

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Re: Public Records Request to the Department for Children and Families

Dear Dave Soulia,

Thank you for your request for public records made to the Department for Children and Families (DCF), Economic Services Division (ESD) dated April 29, 2025. You requested the following:

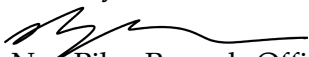
Anonymized records regarding applicants for public assistance programs administered by ESD for the period of **January 1, 2019, to present**. Specifically, you seek data that reflects:

- Whether applicants identified themselves as **recent arrivals to Vermont** (i.e., having recently moved from another U.S. state or territory);
- The **state or territory of prior residence** listed by the applicant, if collected;
- Whether the applicant reported having received **public assistance in another state** prior to applying in Vermont;
- The **program(s)** for which they were approved (e.g., 3SquaresVT, Reach Up, Fuel Assistance, Emergency Housing);
- **Date of application or approval.**

The data you requested is not readily available and would require the creation of new records and significant staff time from ESD and the Agency of Digital Services. Accordingly, as the records custodian, I certify, pursuant to 1 V.S.A. § 318(b)(4), that the records you identified do not exist under any name known to me and cannot be created.

If you have any questions or further requests, please contact me at
AHS.DCFRecordsRequest@vermont.gov.

Thank you,


Nya Pike, Records Officer

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