



February 1, 2021

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Via E-Mail

Dear Mr. LaFaive:

This written notice is issued in response to your email request dated November 6, 2020 to the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC), received November 9, 2020, for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), MCL 15.231 *et. seq.*

We are in receipt of your check number 39943 in the amount of \$432.97, and check number 40086 in the amount of \$279.65. Your request is granted in part and denied in part.

Documents responsive to your request are available as follows:

- **Freedom of Information Act Request – Travel Michigan/Pure Michigan**

After diligent search and inquiry, it has been determined that some of the information requested does not exist in the name you requested or in any other name reasonably known to the MEDC. Therefore your request is partially denied.

Your request for information is also denied in part because portions of the document are exempt from disclosure pursuant to Section 13(1)(a) of the FOIA, which exempts information of a personal nature that would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of an individual's privacy.

As to the partial denial of your request, pursuant to section 10 of the FOIA, you may do either of the following:

1. Appeal this decision, in writing, to Mark Burton, CEO, Michigan Economic Development Corporation, 300 North Washington Square, Lansing, Michigan 48913. Your written appeal must specifically state, using the word *appeal*, that it is an appeal of this decision and must specify the reasons you believe the denial should be reversed. Mr. Burton or his designee must respond to your appeal within 10 business days of its receipt. Under unusual circumstances, the time for response to your appeal may be extended by 10 business days.
2. File an action in circuit court to compel disclosure of the records. The action must be filed within 180 days after the date of the final determination to deny the request. If you prevail in such an action, the court is to award reasonable attorney fees, costs, and disbursements. Further, if the court finds the denial to be arbitrary and capricious, you may receive punitive damages in the amount of \$1,000.

As to the partial granting of your request, copies of the nonexempt documents are attached.

Sincerely,

Karen Wieber

Karen Wieber
MEDC FOIA Coordinator

Attachments