VANCOUVER POLICE DEPARTMENT | *Beyond the Call*

August 16, 2016 ***I&P Unit Reference: 16-1168A***

VIA EMAIL

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Dear [redacted]:

Re: Records Access Request

We are replying to your request for information that was received in our office on April 26, 2016. In that request, you sought access to the following:

1) "The total number of sexual assaults reported to the Vancouver Police Department between 2005 and 2015 and the geographic breakdown of these reports (i.e. which neighbourhood each report occurred within);
2) How many of these sexual assault reports resulted in charges being laid; and
3) Where charges were laid, how many resulted in successful convictions".

We conducted our search using the following criteria:

- Stats Canada definition of sexual assault (please see page two of this letter);
- All offense method;
- Reported date (not date of occurrence); and
- All reported sexual assault (founded and unfounded).

Attached please find the responsive data.

For important information regarding statistical data, please refer to the "Accuracy of Statistics / Comparing Data" page on our website: http://internal.vancouver.ca/police/organization/planning-research-audit/stats-accuracy-comparing-data.html .

Please also be advised that the attached information is not necessarily representative of documented police activities in the neighbourhoods as defined. A police incident may be linked to a neighbourhood when that address is listed as the primary residence of an involved party. For example, an incident at a nightclub may be reported at the registered address of the complainant. The Vancouver Police Department therefore does not warrant the accuracy, reliability, or completeness of the information provided in the requested premise history check.

If you have any questions, please contact the Information and Privacy Unit at (604) 717-3071 or by fax at (604) 606-2622.

Yours truly,

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Statistics Canada defines "Sexual Assaults" as follows:

Sexual assaults (PART VIII of the criminal code - OFFENCES AGAINST THE PERSON AND REPUTATION):

- *Violations:*
  - *1310 (SEXUAL ASSAULT-AGGRAVATED)*
  - *1320 SEXUAL ASSAULT W/WEAPON OR CBH*
  - *1330 (SEXUAL ASSAULT)*
- *Mapped to sections **273,272,271** respectively of the criminal code*
- *Falls under "Assaults" in the section VII of CC.*

1. **Number of Sexual Assaults Reported by Neighbourhood:**

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Grand Total
Arbutus Ridge	5	3	4	5	3	2	1	2	2	2	5	34
Central Business District	96	99	105	75	129	137	128	116	155	118	128	1286
Dunbar - Southlands	1	3	3	4	5	2	2	6	6	1	3	36
Fairview	20	14	14	18	17	25	12	17	21	19	14	191
Grandview - Woodland	43	47	36	20	31	49	28	22	32	28	26	362
Hastings - Sunrise	14	21	26	19	32	17	14	20	16	15	22	216
Kensington - Cedar Cottage	35	31	31	21	24	25	33	18	22	27	27	294
Kerrisdale	5	4	0	6	3	2	1	3	7	4	3	38
Killarney	7	15	13	7	6	7	3	3	9	5	12	87
Kitsilano	15	21	11	20	13	23	22	20	15	18	24	202
Marpole	9	9	12	6	9	10	7	13	15	18	8	116
Mount Pleasant	29	20	24	29	25	18	24	29	17	28	22	265
Musqueam	0	4	2	3	1	2	2	1	2	3	1	21
NULL	35	35	19	27	21	23	21	26	29	25	25	286
Oakridge	3	5	0	0	2	0	4	6	7	4	3	34
Renfrew - Collingwood	31	22	30	19	22	22	29	19	21	20	22	257
Riley Park	10	16	12	16	15	10	5	11	11	11	9	126
Shaughnessy	2	4	2	0	0	0	1	0	2	2	0	13
South Cambie	4	1	3	1	1	5	2	2	3	4	3	29
Stanley Park	5	7	4	1	3	5	3	3	4	3	3	41
Strathcona	51	30	34	41	52	42	61	31	52	63	39	496
Sunset	25	15	18	28	21	19	14	10	18	15	18	201
Victoria - Fraserview	21	8	11	12	11	15	6	6	10	14	13	127
West End	29	40	45	37	36	40	40	44	42	41	43	437
West Point Grey	2	5	3	4	5	4	1	5	1	2	4	36
Grand Total	**497**	**479**	**462**	**419**	**487**	**504**	**464**	**433**	**519**	**490**	**477**	**5231**

2. **Number of Sexual Assault Files Recommended for Charge Approval:**

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Grand Total
Cleared by charge	92	67	76	76	109	110	102	96	112	99	83	1022

3. **Number of Sexual Assault Files Resulting in Conviction*:**

Disposition	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Total
CONVICTED	16	11	14	14	30	20	15	5	20	6	5	156

*low figures for 2014 and 2015 possibly due to files still in court process