



May 4, 2026

Via electronic mail

Sam Grayson

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Re: FOIA Request 26-967

Dear Sam Grayson:

I am responding to your request dated April 18, 2026, and received in my office April 20, 2026, under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) in which you requested:

1. "'Flock networks that I'm sharing" and "Flock networks shared with me" (Flock admin portal > Shared Networks > Download CSV)
2. Flock Organizational audit for the Jan 1 to Jan 15, 2026 (Flock admin portal > Insights > Organizational Audit). Please provide as CSV or XLSX.
3. Flock Network audit for Jan 1 to Jan 15, 2026 (Flock admin portal > Insights > Network Audit). Please provide as CSV or XLSX.
4. All "Assist Other Agency" reports from Jan 1 to Jan 15, 2026 containing the terms "Flock" or "ALPR". If the records are electronic, please provide in the original electronic format, otherwise PDF."

A search was conducted for **item #4** of your request, and no responsive records were located.

The remainder of your request for records is unduly burdensome to the University (5 ILCS 140/3(g)). Section 3(g) of FOIA provides that "requests for all records falling within a category shall be complied with unless compliance with the request would be unduly burdensome for the complying public body and there is no way to narrow the request and the burden on the public body outweighs the public interest in the information." 5 ILCS 140/3(g).

A good-faith search for records produced more records than this office can reasonably process under the tight turnaround time provided in FOIA. These reports produced nearly 176,500 rows of data, where each field within the records would need to be reviewed for applicable exemptions under the Act. This includes information that may implicate active investigations and other related police inquiries. As a result, each case/matter would need to be individually reviewed to determine the status of the investigation and to determine whether the

release of this information would interfere with said investigation. It would not be possible for the FOIA office to review results this vast due to the tight turnaround time of FOIA.

Due to workloads affiliated with the primary duties of University staff, police, and limited FOIA personnel and resources, the amount of time that would be required to complete this request would substantially interfere with the normal conduct of public business. Accordingly, the University cannot comply with this request as written. "Notably, the burdensomeness of a request is evaluated as a whole, such that if one part of a request is unduly burdensome, the whole request is." (*See* 2024 PAC 81020).

Pursuant to Section 3(g), you may take this opportunity to modify your request to make it more manageable. Any narrowed request may be submitted to the [FOIA portal](#). Please reference this FOIA request number in your narrowed request.

In addition, each FOIA request is reviewed on its own merits; this includes narrowed requests. Nothing in this response should be considered to guarantee that any subsequent request will not be determined to be unduly burdensome or otherwise subject to one or more applicable exemption(s) under the Act. The FOIA Office can only make determinations after narrowed or new requests are made, parameters are identified, and a new tailored search for records is considered.

You have a right under the law to seek a review of this response by the Public Access Counselor (PAC) in the Office of the Attorney General. The PAC may be reached by phone at 877.299.3642, or by postal mail to Leah Bartelt, Public Access Counselor, Office of the Illinois Attorney General, 500 South 2nd Street, Springfield, Illinois 62701. You also have the right to seek judicial review under section 11 of this Act.

If you have questions for our office, please contact 217-333-6400.

Sincerely,

Adrienne Nazon
Vice President, External Relations and
Communications
and Chief Records Officer