TO: ACLU of Oregon

RE: Public Records Request pertaining to policies and procedures concerning police and technology

Thank you for your inquiry regarding the following policies and procedures. They are listed below for reference.

1. All current policies and procedures describing police officers’ use of department equipment sold or manufactured under the TASER brand name.

   Please see the attached operational procedures and agency manual sections regarding TASER policies and procedures.

2. All current policies and procedures describing police officers’ use of ALPR and the data collected by the use of ALPR.

   MCSO does not own an ALPR. No documents available.

3. If your police department has obtained cell phone data from cell phone carriers in the past three years:

   A. All current policies and procedures related to when and how such information is obtained;

      MCSO has no responsive documents

   B. All accounting documents that show the amount of funds used to acquire cell phone data whether by expenditure or receipt of operating funds, loans, grants, or gifts.

      The information for current or recent expenditures is currently exempt from disclosure. Per ORS 192.501(3) Criminal Investigative material, these records may include information that is part of an ongoing investigation.

      The Fiscal Unit does not identify individual purchases on county provided procurement cards. They would be unable to determine which expenditures are not related to an ongoing investigation and would need to coordinate with detectives and Special Investigations Unit staff to manually search each expenditure to determine if a case is recent or currently ongoing.
The time to accomplish this request would be significant and include a Detective Sergeant, Fiscal Manager and 2 detectives manually sorting and scanning to identify non-investigatory items. This is initially estimated to require approximately 16 hours and would take a significant amount of time to accomplish as they would not be able to dedicate their time to this one request as they handle their current workloads. The total estimate includes Sergeant hourly billing rate $70.83 x 16, Deputy hourly billing rate $56.33 x 16 x 2, and Fiscal Specialist 2 $35 per hourly rate of search time x 16 for a total of $3,495.84. Payment is required before this search would commence.

4. All current policies and procedures describing police officers’ appropriate response to members of the public photographing or video recording officers while engaged in their duties.

Please see attached MCSO Agency Manual policy regarding courtesy and professional protocol.

Thank you again for your inquiry, please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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