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From:
Texas Scorecard

To:
Texas Department of Family and Protective Services

This letter (“Document Request”) shall serve as a public information request under the Texas Public Information Act, Tex. Gov’t Code §552.001 et seq., (for copies of/to inspect) records in their *original (electronic/paper) format*.

REQUESTED RECORDS:

For the years 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022,

- Records of the numbers of children in conservatorship are reported as runaways.
- Records of the numbers of reported runaways, while in runaway status, to have been identified as victims of sex trafficking.

We request a waiver of all fees as we are a 501(c)3 non-profit news media organization, and the disclosure of the requested information is in the public interest and will contribute significantly to the public’s understanding of DFPS. This information is not being sought for commercial purposes.

The Texas Public Information Act requires that you “promptly produce” the requested records unless, within 10 days, you have sought an Attorney General’s Opinion. If you expect a significant delay in responding to this request, please contact me with information about when I might expect copies or the ability to inspect the requested records.

If you deny any or all of this request, please cite each specific exemption you feel justifies the refusal to release the information and notify me of the appeal procedures available to me under the law.

I appreciate your prompt attention to this matter. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,
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