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## 10/5/2021 FOIA request from NBC5 Chicago

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Smyser, Katherine (NBCUniversal) <Katy.Smyser@nbcuni.com>

Mon, Oct 4, 2021 at 6:14 PM

To: "sbuslik@norridge80.net" <sbuslik@norridge80.net>

October 5, 2021

Sarah Buslik

Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent and FOIA Officer

Norridge School District 80

8151 West Lawrence Avenue

Norridge, IL 60706-3136

Sent via email to: sbuslik@norridge80.net

Dear Ms. Buslik:

This is a request under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act.

First, please forgive me if I have incorrect FOIA contact information. If you can let me know if I need to redirect this request to a different email or different name, I'd really appreciate it, and I promise to update my contact list for future FOIAs.

I am making this request of all governmental entities across the greater Chicago area, as I gather material on all unclaimed funds held by (or due to) people and entities in our area, including Norridge School District 80. I am preparing a series of reports on the scope and breadth of unclaimed money due to Chicago-area individuals, governmental bodies, and others.

This is a three-part request. If these documents are controlled by a separate office or governmental entity, it's likely I've sent a similar FOIA request to them as well. Conversely, if your office handles this material for other offices or departments, be aware that I've probably sent a FOIA request to them as well. I'm hoping that, wherever possible, such FOIAs can be combined, to avoid multiple offices having to respond with the same paperwork and data.

First, I am requesting all documents, data, and/or spreadsheets sufficient to show all unclaimed funds under the control of Norridge School District 80 which have NOT been reported or transferred to the Illinois State Treasurer for inclusion in the state's Unclaimed Property fund and database. This would include unclaimed money and property that is not yet old enough to be transferred to the Treasurer, including unclaimed refunds of any type; uncashed and/or "stale" checks or warrants; refunds or reimbursements for taxes, tuition, housing, incidentals, insurance payments, expenses, or any other type of refund or reimbursement; and all other unclaimed property and money which is currently under the control of your agency. For all documents, data or spreadsheets that contain information on these unclaimed funds, I am requesting all

fields of data, including the specific amount of each unclaimed fund; the name and the address of each person or entity to which each fund is due; a description of what each piece of unclaimed property or money is; any control number or property number attached to each property; and any applicable dates connected with each piece of unclaimed property.

Second, I am requesting documents, data, and/or spreadsheets showing all unclaimed property which your office HAS reported and/or transferred to the Illinois State Treasurer, in response to the requirements of Illinois' Revised Uniform Unclaimed Property Act, from January 1, 2016 to the present. I request that these documents, data and/or spreadsheets include all available fields, including the specific amount of each parcel of unclaimed property which was reported and/or transferred to the Illinois Treasurer's office; a description of what the property or cash is; the name and address of the person or entity due the property or cash; any date associated with each parcel of unclaimed property or cash; and any control number or other reference number for the property or cash.

Third, I am requesting documents, data and/or spreadsheets showing all claims for unclaimed property DUE TO Norridge School District 80 FROM the Illinois Treasurer's Unclaimed Property fund, for which you have submitted a claim or documentation to the Illinois Treasurer's Office, from January 1, 2016 to the present, including the amount of each property claimed; the date your office submitted the claim, the property ID number from the Illinois State Treasurer's Unclaimed Property database, and the current status of each claim you submitted (i.e., whether you received the property or money, or whether the claim is still pending).

Because this request is in the public interest, I request that you waive all fees. And if you reject any portion of this request, please tell me why.

I would be more than happy to help, in any way possible, as you work on this FOIA request. And – again – if you are able to combine this FOIA request with others I've sent to related offices (so that you don't have to duplicate this paperwork), please do. And if you have any questions or need any further information from me, please don't hesitate to email me at [katy.smyser@nbcuni.com](mailto:katy.smyser@nbcuni.com).

Thank you in advance for your help with this request!

Katy Smyser



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## FOIA

S Buslik <sbuslik@norridge80.net>  
To: Katy Smyser <katy.smyser@nbcuni.com>

Thu, Oct 14, 2021 at 10:15 AM

Ms. Smyser,

Thank you for writing to Norridge School District 80 with your request for information pursuant to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/1 et seq.

On October 4, 2021, you requested the following:

- 1) All documents, data, and/or spreadsheets sufficient to show all unclaimed funds under the control of Norridge School District 80 which have NOT been reported or transferred to the Illinois State Treasurer for inclusion in the state's Unclaimed Property fund and database. This would include unclaimed money and property that is not yet old enough to be transferred to the Treasurer, including unclaimed refunds of any type; uncashed and/or "stale" checks or warrants; refunds or reimbursements for taxes, tuition, housing, incidentals, insurance payments, expenses, or any other type of refund or reimbursement; and all other unclaimed property and money which is currently under the control of your agency. For all documents, data or spreadsheets that contain information on these unclaimed funds, I am requesting all fields of data, including the specific amount of each unclaimed fund; the name and the address of each person or entity to which each fund is due; a description of what each piece of unclaimed property or money is; any control number or property number attached to each property; and any applicable dates connected with each piece of unclaimed property.
- 2) Documents, data, and/or spreadsheets showing all unclaimed property which your office HAS reported and/or transferred to the Illinois State Treasurer in response to the requirements of Illinois' Revised Uniform Unclaimed Property Act, from January 1, 2016 to the present. I request that these documents, data and/or spreadsheets include all available fields, including the specific amount of each parcel of unclaimed property which was reported and/or transferred to the Illinois Treasurer's office; a description of what the property or cash is; the name and address of the person or entity due the property or cash; any date associated with each parcel of unclaimed property or cash; and any control number or other reference number for the property or cash.
- 3) Documents, data and/or spreadsheets showing all claims for unclaimed property DUE TO Norridge School District 80 FROM the Illinois Treasurer's Unclaimed Property fund, for which you have submitted a claim or documentation to the Illinois Treasurer's Office, from January 1, 2016 to the present, including the amount of each property claimed; the date your office submitted the claim, the property ID number from the Illinois State Treasurer's Unclaimed Property database, and the current status of each claim you submitted (i.e., whether you received the property or money or whether the claim is still pending).

Under the Freedom of Information Act, a public body may extend the time to respond to a FOIA request by up to 5 business days for a limited number of reasons, 5 ILCS 140/3(e). We are extending the time to respond to your request by 5 business days for the following reason:

We cannot comply with the request for records within the 5 business day time limit without unduly burdening or interfering with our operations.

We will respond to your request by October 20, 2021.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sarah Buslik  
FOIA Officer



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## FOIA

S Buslik <sbuslik@norridge80.net>  
To: Katy Smyser <katy.smyser@nbcuni.com>

Mon, Oct 18, 2021 at 3:09 PM

Ms. Smyser,

This email is in response to your Freedom of Information Act request dated October 4, 2021. You requested the following:

1) All documents, data, and/or spreadsheets sufficient to show all unclaimed funds under the control of Norridge School District 80 which have NOT been reported or transferred to the Illinois State Treasurer for inclusion in the state's Unclaimed Property fund and database. This would include unclaimed money and property that is not yet old enough to be transferred to the Treasurer, including unclaimed refunds of any type; uncashed and/or "state" checks or warrants; refunds or reimbursements for taxes, tuition, housing, incidentals, insurance payments, expenses, or any other type of refund or reimbursements; and all other unclaimed property and money which is currently under the control of your agency. For all documents, data or spreadsheets that contain information on these unclaimed funds, I am requesting all fields of data, including the specific amount of each unclaimed fund; the name and the address of each person or entity to which each fund is due; a description of what each piece of unclaimed property or money is; any control number or property number attached to each property; and any applicable dates connected with each piece of unclaimed property.

Norridge School District 80 does not make use of the Unclaimed Funds program managed by the Illinois Treasurer's Office. Our district is small enough that we work closely with our parents who need extra time to pay their registration fees; the most significant amount of money we collect from them. We monitor closely any monies that are due us and work diligently to collect those monies as quickly as we can. If by chance, a family hasn't paid their students registration fees through the years, their child may not go through Eighth Grade Promotion activities unless/until all fees are paid. We also work very closely with our district auditor to make sure that we are monitoring those issues closely and addressing them in a timely manner.

2) Documents, data, and/or spreadsheets showing all unclaimed property which your office HAS reported and/or transferred to the Illinois State Treasurer, in response to the requirements of Illinois Revised Uniform Unclaimed Property Act from January 1, 2016 to the present. I request that these documents, data and/or spreadsheets include all available fields, including the specific amount of each parcel of unclaimed property which was reported and/or transferred to the Illinois Treasurer's office; a description of what the property or cash is; the name and address of the person or entity due the property or cash; any date associated with each parcel of unclaimed property or cash; and any control number or other reference number for the property or cash.

Again, the district has not in the past made use of the program from the Treasurer's office.

3) Documents, data and/or spreadsheets showing all claims for unclaimed property DUE TO Norridge School District 80 FROM the Illinois Treasurer's Unclaimed Property fund for which you have submitted a claim or documentation to the Illinois Treasurer's Office January 1, 2016 to the present, including the amount of each property claimed; the date your office submitted the claim, the property ID number from the Illinois State Treasurer's Unclaimed Property database, and the current status of each claim you submitted (i.e., whether you received the property or money, or whether the claim is still pending).

A review of the Unclaimed Property database from the Treasurer's Office website shows that District 80 has two unclaimed payments. Both are under \$100 and are a credit balance that is owed back to us. As a result of your inquiry, we are now aware of that balance and will attempt to submit a claim to the Treasurer's Office for the payment of those claims to the district. Attached you will find the listing of claims owed Norridge District 80 as a result of our search last week.

You have a right to have the denial of your request reviewed by the Public Access Counselor (PAC) at the Office of the Attorney General, 5 ILCS 140/9.5(a). You can file your Request for Review with the PAC by writing to:

Public Access Counselor  
Office of the Attorney General  
500 South 2nd /street  
Springfield, IL 62706

Fax: 217-782-1396  
email: publicaccess@atg.state.il.us

You also have a right to seek judicial review of your denial by filing a lawsuit in the State circuit court, 5 ILCS 140/11.

If you choose to file a Request for Review with the PAC, you must do so within 60 calendar days of the date of this denial letter, 5 ILCS 140/9(a). Please note that you must include a copy of your original FOIA request and this denial letter when filing a Request for Review with the PAC.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sarah Buslik  
FOIA Officer

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# CLAIM UNCLAIMED PROPERTY

## Search for Unclaimed Property

### SEARCH ?

To search for unclaimed property, enter a last/business name in the search box. To narrow your search results, enter a first name, city and/or zip code.

\*Last or Bus

If properties are found, select the properties you want to claim. To initiate a new search, input a new last/business name.

Once you have selected all properties you wish to claim, select "Continue To File Claim," complete the claimant (your) information, and select your relationship to each property being claimed. You may be asked to provide supporting documentation in order to validate your right to claim to each property based on the relationship chosen.

Narrow your search with the following fields:

Note: If you have received correspondence from the Illinois State Treasurer's Office that shows a Property ID, enter that Property ID in this search box.

To search for property held by other states, visit [FindMyFunds.com](http://FindMyFunds.com).

SEARCH

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the privacy of your information or the legitimacy of this website, please see our [Privacy Information](#) page.

**RESULTS:** Your search returned 57 unclaimed properties.

CONTINUE TO FILE CLAIM (0)

Display: 20 results

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To file a claim for properties on this list, click the CLAIM button next to those properties. Next click on the CONTINUE TO FILE CLAIM button.

Select an Action	Owner Name	Address	City	State	ZIP	Reported By	Amount	Relationship to Owner	Property ID	Property Type
<input type="button" value="CLAIM"/>	SCHOOL DISTRICT 80	8151 W LAWRENCE AVE	NORRIDGE	IL	60706	W W GRAINGER INC	OVER \$100	OWNER	99924231994	CREDIT BALANCE -- ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE
<input type="button" value="CLAIM"/>	NORRIDGE SCH DIST 80	8151 W LAWRENCE AVE	NORRIDGE	IL	60706	PITNEY BOWES INC.	UNDER \$100	SOLE OWNER	99924465290	CREDIT BALANCE -- ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE
<input type="button" value="CLAIM"/>	8339 NORRIDGE	8339 W LAWRENCE AVE	HARWOOD HEIGHTS	IL	60706	REYNOLDS AMERICAN INC	UNDER \$100	SOLE OWNER	99923797702	VENDOR CHECKS
<input type="button" value="CLAIM"/>	HEALTHCARE NORRIDGE	7001 W CULLOM AVE	NORRIDGE	IL	60706	HEWLETT PACKARD COMPANY	UNDER \$100	SOLE OWNER	99911356307	REFUNDS DUE
<input type="button" value="CLAIM"/>	MOBIL NORRIDGE	8339 W LAWRENCE AVE	NORRIDGE	IL	60706	GREAT LAKES COCA-COLA	UNDER \$100	SOLE OWNER	99929016059	CREDIT BALANCE -- ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE
<input type="button" value="CLAIM"/>	NORRIDGE CARES	7500 W MONTROSE	NORRIDGE	IL	60706	PAYPAL	OVER \$100	SOLE OWNER	99924567313	MISCELLANEOUS INTANGIBLE PROPERTY
<input type="button" value="CLAIM"/>	NORRIDGE CHIROPRACTIC	7830 W LAWRENCE AVE	NORRIDGE	IL	60706	METLIFE INC	UNDER \$100	SOLE OWNER	99912742253	DIVIDENDS
<input type="button" value="CLAIM"/>	NORRIDGE CHIROPRACTIC	7830 W LAWRENCE AVE	HARWOOD HEIGHTS	IL	60706	METLIFE INC	UNDER \$100	SOLE OWNER	99908125010	DIVIDENDS
<input type="button" value="CLAIM"/>	NORRIDGE CHIROPRACTIC	7830 W LAWRENCE AVE	NORRIDGE	IL	60706	METLIFE INC	UNDER \$100	SOLE OWNER	99909431990	DIVIDENDS
<input type="button" value="CLAIM"/>	NORRIDGE CITGO	8500 LAWRENCE AVE	HARWOOD HEIGHTS	IL	60706	US SMOKELESS TOBACCO COMPANY	OVER \$100	SOLE OWNER	99919372503	ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE
<input type="button" value="CLAIM"/>	NORRIDGE CITGO	8500 LAWRENCE AVE	HARWOOD HEIGHTS	IL	60706	US SMOKELESS TOBACCO COMPANY	UNDER \$100	SOLE OWNER		
<input type="button" value="CLAIM"/>	NORRIDGE GARDENS	7001 WEST CULLOM AVENUE	NORRIDGE	IL	60706	U S LEGAL SUPPORT INC	UNDER \$100	SOLE OWNER		

You have 0 properties currently claimed! Click the button to continue your submission



CONTINUE TO FILE CLAIM (0)