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COVID-19 & The Columbus Division of Police: Public Records

Beginning tomorrow, March 19, 2020, due to the COVID-19 crisis, the Public Service Office located within Columbus Police Headquarters is suspending all in person pickup of public records until further notice in order to reduce risk of exposures within the building.

Public record requests can be made to The Columbus Division of Police via phone at 614-645-4925, fax at 614-645-0903, email at <u>PublicRecords@ColumbusPolice.org</u>, via electronic form at <u>https://www.columbus.gov/police-services/</u>, and by mail to 120 Marconi Blvd., Columbus, OH 43215.

We ask that these public record request methods be utilized in lieu of in person requests. In the event electronic fulfillment of your public record request cannot be accomplished, you will be notified of instructions for delivery options.

Also beginning tomorrow due to the COVID-19 crisis, fingerprinting services for background checks provided by The Columbus Division of Police will be suspended until further notice.

"We appreciate the cooperation from the public during this pandemic," said Chief Tom Quinlan.