

Shirley Rukcic

From: Shirley Rukcic
Sent: Tuesday, January 9, 2024 9:21 AM
To: Mike Fitzgerald
Subject: RE: Missouri Sunshine Act request
Attachments: Fitzgerald response 12.23.23.pdf

Hi Mike- Attached are letters of support as responsive documents. I'm sure we would have emails also in response, however, a search of emails with your overly broad request would be extremely time consuming. Before I could provide a cost estimate, I would need you to narrow your search criteria.

Thank you!

Regards,

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From: Mike Fitzgerald <msfitzgerald2006@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, December 23, 2023 10:15 AM
To: Shirley Rukcic <Rukcics@stltreasurer.org>
Subject: Re: Missouri Sunshine Act request

Dear Ms. Rukcic,

This is a request pursuant to the Missouri Sunshine Act.

I am seeking the following documents:

* Copies of communications of endorsement and support written on behalf of the College Kids Savings Account program submitted by: a) parents of students enrolled in College Kids b) St. Louis Public Schools or charter school students enrolled in College Kids; c) employees of St. Louis Public Schools or charter schools, or any other members of the public and sent to either Treasurer Adam Layne or any other employee of the Office of St. Louis Treasurer in the calendar years 2022 and 2023.

The communications I am seeking may be traditional letters on paper, or they may be in electronic format, such as emails.

This should be an easy response to fulfill. If the program were as successful and popular as Treasurer Layne has

indicated in previous public statements, then I would think the treasurer's office would be eager to share the communications that I am seeking.

One of the reasons I am making this information request is because at the Dec. 12, 2023 St. Louis Board of Education, which Treasurer Layne attended and spoke at, no members of the public showed up to defend the College Kids program, nor were any statements from members of the public introduced into the record in support of the program. I find this rather puzzling, since the program was launched eight years ago and has touched the lives of at least 23,000 St. Louis school students and their families.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Here is wishing you a most joyous Holiday season.

Sincerely yours,

Mike Fitzgerald
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The Riverfront Times

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