

Tēnā koe

On 19 March 2022, you submitted an official information request through the FYI website to the Ministry of Social Development (the Ministry) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982, the following information:

• The annual salaries for said Public Servants; Chief Executive All Deputy Chief Executives and, Median salary for Service Centre Managers.

You can find the annual salary of the Chief Executive publicly available at the following link: www.publicservice.govt.nz/our-work/workforce-data/senior-leader-remunerationpay/.

As such, the Chief Executives annual salary has been refused under section 18(d) of the Act, as this information is already publicly available.

The annual salaries of Deputy Chief Executives and Service Centre Managers at the Ministry have been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act, to protect the privacy of natural persons. However, the Ministry can provide you with the median annual salaries of Deputy Chief Executives.

Please see enclosed **Table One**, which outlines the median annual salaries for Deputy Chief Executives and Service Centre Managers at the Ministry.

Table One: Median annual salaries for Deputy Chief Executives and Service Centre Managers at the Ministry, as at 24 March 2022.

	Median salary
Deputy Chief Executives	\$ 349,204
Service Centre Managers	\$ 119,467

The principles and purposes of the Official Information Act 1982 under which you made your request are:

- to create greater openness and transparency about the plans, work and activities of the Government,
- to increase the ability of the public to participate in the making and administration of our laws and policies and

• to lead to greater accountability in the conduct of public affairs.

This Ministry fully supports those principles and purposes. The Ministry therefore intends to make the information contained in this letter and any attached documents available to the wider public. The Ministry will do this by publishing this letter on the Ministry of Social Development's website. Your personal details will be deleted, and the Ministry will not publish any information that would identify you as the person who requested the information.

If you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact OIA Requests@msd.govt.nz.

If you are not satisfied with this response regarding the salaries of the Chief Executive, Deputy Chief Executives and Service Centre Managers, you have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or 0800 802 602.

Ngā mihi nui

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