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Dear [REDACTED]

On 28 February 2020, you emailed the Ministry of Social Development (the Ministry) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982, the following information:

1. *The number of children who got the Child Disability Allowance and the Out of School Care and Recreation Subsidy as of 30 June 2019.*
2. *The median and average number of hours children who got the Child Disability Allowance attended Out of School Care and Recreation providers from 1 June 2018 to 1 July 2019.*
3. *The Out of School Care and Recreation subsidy level of each child who received the Child Disability Allowance and Out of School Care and Recreation Subsidy from 1 June 2018 to 1 July 2019.*

On 11 March 2020, questions one and three of your request were refined to:

- *The number of children who receive both the Child Disability Allowance and the Out of School Care and Recreation Subsidy at the same time as at 30 June 2018/end of June 2019 (point in time).*
- *The Out of School Care and Recreation weekly rate of payment of each child who received the Child Disability Allowance and Out of School Care and Recreation Subsidy from 1 June 2018 to 1 July 2019. You have agreed for the data to be presented in quarters.*

Please see overleaf Table One which shows the number of children with a current Child Disability Allowance and a current Out of School Care and Recreation Subsidy as at the end of each quarter from June 2018 to June 2019.

Table One: The number of children with a current Child Disability Allowance and a current Out of School Care and Recreation Subsidy as at the end of each quarter from June 2018 to June 2019

Month ending	Number of subsidies	Average number of hours per week	Median number of hours per week	Weekly Rate
June-2018	2,224	14.2	15	\$144,273.44
September-2018	2,322	13.99	15	\$148,763.94
December-2018	288	33.8	30	\$45,378.16
March-2019	2,028	14.36	15	\$134,070.30
June-2019	2,096	14.12	15	\$137,972.32

Notes:

- This is a count of subsidies not a count of children.
- Children may have multiple subsidies at any one time.
- In this case only one Out of School Care and Recreation Subsidy has equated to one child.

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 available to the wider public shortly. 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 Child Disability Allowance and Out of School Care and Recreation Subsidy, 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.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bridget Saunders', with a large, stylized initial 'B' and a long horizontal stroke.

Bridget Saunders
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