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Request:

Hello,

I work with [REDACTED] We are a charity that provide refuges with backpacks for children that have been taken there in an emergency so they have some essential items such as toothbrushes and underwear.

We are reviewing our targets and need some assistance from yourself and other councils. Could you inform me approximately how many children have been taken into emergency housing/refuge in the last 12 months in your area. This can help make sure we are providing enough bags to the refuges and not saturating them or falling short.

I know I'm being cheeky but our trustees board meeting is 14th December 2019 if I could have a reply by then I can collate the figures. Thankyou in advance for you assistance.

If you would like any further information about [REDACTED] please visit our internet page [REDACTED] or please get in touch with me on this email address or my phone number is [REDACTED]

Response:

Thank you for your information request which Mid and East Antrim Borough Council received on 15/11/2019.

Please find below Mid and East Antrim Borough Council's response to the information you requested in relation to children taken into emergency housing / refuge.

Please note that in Northern Ireland district councils are not responsible for the provision of social care. Please contact the Northern Health and Social Care Trust who should be able to help you with your request.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of part of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to the Chief Executive at the Braid Ballymena Town Hall, 1-29 Bridge Street, Ballymena, BT43 5EJ.

Please remember to quote the reference number FOI/303/1920 in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of an internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Please be advised that Mid and East Antrim Borough Council may release the response to this information request into the public domain via our website at <https://www.midandeastantrim.gov.uk/>.

If we publish our response to your request, your personal data will be removed to protect your privacy.