



# OFFICE OF SHERIFF • PORTAGE COUNTY, WISCONSIN

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MIKE LUKAS  
*Sheriff*

April 9, 2021

Prison Policy Initiative  
Attention: Andrea L. Fenster  
69 Garfield Ave, Floor 1  
Easthampton, MA 01027

RE: Request for Contract Information

Dear Andrea Fenster,

The Portage County Sheriff's Office is in receipt of your record request dated, March 26, 2021 in which you requested the following information:

- Any current contracts, including amendments to provide inmate calling services, and
- Call commission reports for county jail(s) (including juvenile centers and work release centers) for the most recent three months available.

Our current inmate calling services is provided by Securus Technologies. I have attached a copy of the contract summary. The total revenue and commission for the last three months is as follows:

**December 2020:**

Total Revenue: \$8,045.73  
Total Commission: \$3,547.31

**January 2021:**

Total Revenue: \$4,704.64  
Total Commission: \$1,981.14

**February 2021:**

Total Revenue: \$2,573.25  
Total Commission: \$994.31

The master contract between the Portage County Sheriff's Office and Securus Technologies includes an agreement to confidentiality and non-disclosure. According to Wisconsin State Statute 19.36 (5), an authority may withhold access to any record or portion of a record containing information qualifying as a trade secret as defined in s. 134.90(1)(c). By signing the master agreement with Securus Technologies, the Portage County Sheriff's Office acknowledged that the contents of the contract constitute proprietary trade secrets and therefore, the master contract, amendments and full commission reports are not subject to disclosure.

This determination is subject to review in an action for mandamus under section 19.37(1) of the Wisconsin statutes, or by application to the Portage County District Attorney or Attorney General.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ben Beaudoin" with a stylized flourish at the end.

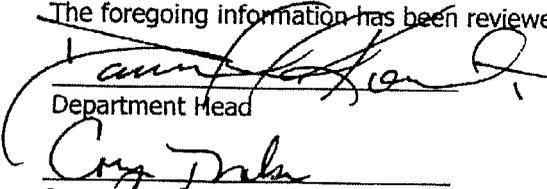
Chief Deputy Benjamin Beaudoin  
Portage County Sheriff's Office

## Portage County Contract Summary Form

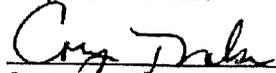
1. County Department: Sheriff's Office
2. Department Administrative Point of Contact (name address and phone): Cory Nelson  
715/346-1471
3. Contracted Business of Agency Name and Address: Securus Technologies, 14651 Dallas  
Parkway, Sixth Floor, Dallas, TX 75254
4. Business Point of Contact (name address and phone): David Parker, 14651 Dallas  
Parkway, Sixth Floor, Dallas, TX 75254, 214-693-8482
5. Description of the purpose and nature of the contract (one paragraph general description  
of the nature of the services and products involved): Securus Technologies will provide  
video visitation and retention.
6. Justification (What conditions mandate that this work be done): No mandated conditions
7. Amount of the contract: \$50,000.00 for install and Kiosk. County will run cable in max  
cell blocks.
8. Term of the contract: 5 year
9. Contract start date: To be determined from signing.
10. Source of funding (describe whether it is from appropriated funds, contingency funds,  
grant funds or otherwise): Jail Assessment fund
11. Type of contract (new, amended or renewal): amended
12. Type of award (by bidding, requests for proposals, or direct negotiation. If direct  
negotiation or RFP, explain why the bidding process was not utilized): Direct negotiation,  
our current contract requires Portage County to give Securus the right of first refusal.
13. Does the contract require subcontracts: No
14. Does the contract require work from other county departments: Yes-facilities to run cable
15. Has the contract been approved by the County Executive and Finance Department  
(where necessary): NA
16. Does the contract comply with county purchasing policy: Yes
17. Does the contract comply with county finance policy: Yes
18. Does the contract comply with county ethics policy: Yes
19. Where is the original contract filed (signing and filing of contracts is the responsibility of  
the department): Sheriff's Office
20. If necessary, has a budget adjustment form been submitted to Finance: No

### Certification of Summary

The foregoing information has been reviewed and is hereby certified as accurate and correct.

  
Department Head

10/12/2016  
Date

  
Contract Administrator (if different than Dept Head)

10-11-16  
Date

# PRISON POLICY INITIATIVE

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March 26, 2021  
Clair Glisczynski, Lead Law Enforcement Records Specialist  
Portage County Sheriff's Office  
Attention: Records  
1500 Strongs Avenue  
Stevens Point, WI 54481

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**PORTAGE COUNTY  
SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

Dear Ms. Glisczynski,

I request, pursuant to the state open records law Wis. Stat. Secs. 19.31 to 19.37, copies of the following documents:

- Any current contracts, including amendments, to provide inmate calling services, and
- Call Commission Reports for the county jail(s) (including juvenile detention centers and work release centers) for the most recent three months available. If your commission reports are for time periods other than monthly, i.e. weekly or quarterly, the three most recent of that time period would be acceptable. ("Call Commission Reports" submitted by Securus to a county typically look like the enclosed example from Genesee County, MI.)

If you have any questions about this request, please do not hesitate to contact me at [afenster@prisonpolicy.org](mailto:afenster@prisonpolicy.org) or (413) 527-0845 ext. 311. Please send the documents to me via email to [afenster@prisonpolicy.org](mailto:afenster@prisonpolicy.org) or via paper mail at the above address.

If your agency does not maintain these public records, please let me know who does and include the proper custodian's name and address. I request your response within 10 business days. If you choose to deny this request, please provide a written explanation for the denial including a reference to the specific statutory exemption(s) upon which you rely.<sup>17</sup> If a portion of these documents are exempt from disclosure, I assume you will provide all segregable portions.

If there are fees for searching or copying these records, please *inform me if the cost will exceed \$25.00*, otherwise invoice me with the records. However, I request a waiver of all fees because the information is not being sought for commercial purposes and its disclosure is in the public interest and will contribute significantly to the public's understanding of the costs associated with inmate calling services.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Andrea Fenster  
Staff Attorney

<sup>17</sup> I would note that violation of the open records law can result in the award of court costs, attorney fees and actual damages of not less than \$100. I would further note that if a court determines that your noncompliance with the law was arbitrary or capricious, it may award me punitive damages and fine you up to \$1,000. See Wis. Stat. Sec. 19.37(2)-(4).