

Wisconsin Family Action: Files public records request with Madison Police Department regarding arson attack

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MADISON – Wisconsin Family Action (WFA) today filed a public records request with the Madison Police Department (MPD) seeking information about the Department’s investigation of the arson attack that took place on May 8, 2022, at WFA’s Madison headquarters.

MPD has furnished no information or updates to WFA since early June on the status of its investigation.

Wisconsin Family Action president Julaine Appling released the following statement:

“The Madison Police Department is tasked with protection of all Madison residents, as well as the prosecution of those who commit violent crimes, such as the arson attack on our building. If MPD cannot or will not provide a reasonable update after more than three months, we can only assume that either the investigation is closed or that the investigation has not been aggressive, as we were originally told it would be.

“We have been fully cooperative with all levels of law enforcement—ATF, FBI, and MPD. We are not against law enforcement in any way, but we do believe this attack merits aggressive investigation and on-going reports and updates to us as to any progress. And surely, after three months, there must be something to report on at least the physical evidence that was collected the day of the attack.”

The records request was also filed with Attorney General Josh Kaul, Governor Tony Evers, and Madison Police Department Chief Shon F. Barnes.

“Wisconsinites deserve to feel safe, no matter their political views,” Appling added. “We certainly don’t want to think that there would be any prejudice by any law enforcement agency based on our particular beliefs and values, but not hearing anything from MPD or any other law enforcement agency since early June certainly raises questions.”

Wisconsin Family Action, Inc is offering a reward up to \$5,000 payable to the person or persons who furnishes information leading to the arrest and conviction of individual(s) responsible for this attack. See this [poster](#) for more information.