

PROCUREMENT DIVISION

Non-Competitive Purchase Request Form

Section A

Date 4-1-2026

To Tyrone White
(Procurement Division Contact; Phone and Email)

From Tedra Allen- Clerk's Office
(Procurement Liaisons of client departments)

Subject Public Records Request Software - JustFOIA
(Contract Number; Title; Term, From - To)

Due Date _____

It is the policy of Cooper City to consistently purchase goods and services using full and open competition. The citizens of Cooper City are best served through sound business decisions based on competitive solicitations. Early acquisition planning that includes consultation with Procurement staff can help avoid delays and facilitates effective market research. However, there may be instances when other than full and open competition may be justified. When a client department determines that other than full and open competition is necessary or in the best interest of the City, appropriate justification for such course of action must be submitted to the Procurement Division for approval and execution to waive the competitive bid/proposal process. The provision of this form to a client department by Procurement Division does not constitute a recommendation, nor does it imply that such request will be substantiated by the Procurement Division's independent evaluation or authorized to proceed as a non-competitive acquisition.

Instructions: Complete and return document, with the appropriate attachments, by the due date to: _____

Section B - To Be Completed by Client Department

Please provide the information requested below to support the need and feasibility for waiving the competitive bid/proposal process:

Department:	Clerk's Office		
Project Manager Name:	Tedra Allen	Project Manager Phone Number:	(954)434-4300 x291
Requisition No.:		*Requested Allocation:	Year 1 \$13,188 Year 2 \$13847.40 Year 3\$14,539.77
Proposed Supplier/Vendor:	JustFOIA, Inc	Requested Contract Term:	Three (3) years, with annual renewals
Funding Source:	General Fund - City Clerk's Office Operating Budget		
Will Federal funds be used to support the requested allocation: Yes ___ No <u>X</u>		Will grant funds be used to support the requested allocation: Yes ___ No <u>X</u>	
Previous Contract No.: (if applicable)	<u>111697</u>	Previous Contract Value: (if applicable)	<u>\$13,461.21</u>

*Allocations may be proportionally adjusted should there be a change to contract term.

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Purpose of the Purchase

Please describe the minimum requirements and the benefits of the non-competitive acquisition.

The purpose of this purchase is to replace the City's current public records request management platform (NextRequest by CivicPlus) with Just FOIA, a modern cloud-based records request tracking solution that better aligns with the City Clerk's operational needs, statutory compliance requirements, and long-term digital records management strategy.

The City's current system provides basic workflow functionality but lacks advanced automation, configurability, and integration capabilities necessary to efficiently manage increasing public records requests. The proposed JustFOIA solution provides a comprehensive end-to-end platform that manages intake, routing, redaction, communication, tracking, and reporting within a single system.

Key minimum requirements addressed by JustFOIA include:

- * Automated workflow routing across departments
- * Integrated redaction and document management tools
- * Public-facing request portal with tracking capability
- * Reporting and audit tracking for compliance with Florida public records law
- * Integration capability with Laserfiche for records storage and retrieval

This transition will significantly improve processing efficiency, reduce manual workload, enhance transparency, and strengthen compliance with Chapter 119, Florida Statutes.

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Best Interest of the City/Uniqueness of Product

Please provide a detailed description as to why a waiver of formal bidding is in the City's best interest (e.g., product standardization, compatibility, proprietary access, or distributorship, how vendor is uniquely qualified to provide the needed product or service, etc.). Please note that a lack of advance planning is not acceptable justification for a non-competitive acquisition.

Approval of this non-competitive purchase is in the best interest of the City due to JustFOIA's unique combination of functionality, configurability, and direct alignment with municipal records management operations.

JustFOIA is specifically designed for government use and provides:

- * Purpose-built public records request management (not a generalized workflow tool)
- * Unlimited users without additional licensing costs, allowing full citywide adoption
- * Advanced workflow automation and configurable routing tailored to departmental processes
- * Built-in redaction tools and document handling, eliminating the need for third-part software
- * Secure hosting in Microsoft Azure Government Cloud with SOC 2 compliance
- * Dedicated implementation, training, and ongoing client success support

Additionally, JustFOIA offers direct integration with Laserfiche, which is critical given the City's ongoing transition to Laserfiche as its enterprise document management system. This interoperability ensures seamless records transfer, improved retention compliance and reduced duplication of effort.

Unlike the current platform, JustFOIA provides a scalable solution that supports expanding records management needs across multiple departments beyond public records requests

These capabilities establish JustFOIA as uniquely qualified to meet the City's operational and strategic objectives.

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Market Research

Please describe the market research findings. This should include a description of other, similar sources or products available in the market, if any, and why these are not acceptable.

The Clerk's office conducted a review of available public records request management platforms, including maintaining the current system (NextRequest by CivicPlus) and evaluating alternative vendors.

The existing NextRequest platform provides a FOIA workflow module with limited flexibility and functionality, primarily focused on basic request tracking.

Key limitations identified with the current system include:

- * Limited configurability of workflows and forms
- * Lack of advanced automation and routing capabilities
- * No integrated redaction tools
- * Limited integration with enterprise records systems such as Laserfiche
- * Restricted scalability for broader records management use

Other available solutions in the market were evaluated; however, many:

- * Require per-user licensing, increasing long-term costs
- * Lack government-grade hosting and compliance standards
- * Do not provide the same level of configurability and workflow customization
- * Do not offer direct Laserfiche integration

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Proposed Actions

Please describe the actions the department will take to mitigate the present barriers to competition prior to any future acquisitions of this product or service.

To mitigate barriers to competition in future procurements, the Clerk's Office will:

- * Continue to monitor the public records request software market for emerging technologies and competitive solutions
- * Document performance metrics and system effectiveness to inform future procurement decisions
- * Ensure that system configurations, data structures, and workflows are standardized and exportable to reduce vendor dependency
- * Reassess the solution prior to renewal or contract expiration to determine whether competitive solicitations is appropriate

Additionally, integration with Laserfiche will standardize the City's records management infrastructure, allowing for greater flexibility in evaluation future systems that can interface with the City's established document management platform

City Manager Name/Initial

Date Approved

Purchasing Name/Initial

Date Approved



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Cooper City, FL 33329

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Dear Tedra Allen,

Thank you for considering **JustFOIA's Proposal** in your organization's search for a Records Request Tracking Solution. Please consider the following benefits included with your JustFOIA partnership and subscription:

- **Long-Term Partnership Ensuring Client Success:** We are with you every step of your JustFOIA Client Journey. Our Delivery Team conducts live trainings and partners with you to ensure the system is configured to your unique needs. Our partnership continues throughout your journey, supported by our Technical Support & dedicated Client Success Teams.
- **Continuous Training:** In addition to live training, JustFOIA provides a complimentary subscription to a Learning Management System (LMS) including on-demand continuing educational videos and content.
- **Government Security & Compliance:** All JustFOIA client sites are deployed exclusively on the Microsoft Azure Government Cloud, the Gold Standard in government-level security. As a certified SOC 2 organization, JustFOIA ensures the foundational principles of security, privacy, compliance, and transparency.
- **Unlimited Administrators, Power Users & General Users:** No matter the number of staff involved in records requests, JustFOIA allows unlimited users for all contracted modules at no additional charge.
- **Configurability & Flexibility:** JustFOIA is more than *just*FOIA. Receive a better return on investment by leveraging the solution for more than public records. Liens, Permits and Subpoenas are just a few client examples. With JustFOIA, you have more control over system settings and functionality than any other solution. Dynamic fields recognize keywords entered by citizens to point them to the right place.
- **Having a Voice:** JustFOIA was created based on client feedback, which continues to be the main source of product roadmap ideas. Clients play an essential role in our product feedback loop, collaborating with JustFOIA's Product Development & Quality Assurance Teams to ensure powerful and easy-to-use releases.

If you have any questions concerning our proposal or desire additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me. We appreciate your consideration and hope that we will have the pleasure of partnering with you.

Sincerely,

Sarah Hutchinson

Account Executive

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Proposal

City of Cooper City

Issued: February 27, 2026



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Records request challenges continue to increase, and the call for transparency is at an all-time high. Organizations are selecting JustFOIA to bridge the transparency gap with their community to create an environment of trust and accountability. JustFOIA licenses a software-as-a-service solution (the “Solution”), which is the **easiest-to-use records requests software** that manages every step of the process from intake to delivery. Our Solution can help you save valuable time by automating repetitive tasks, such as redactions, assignments, reminders, and communication with requesters and responders. It is now essential to leverage technology to streamline your records requests process.

OUR COMPANY

Built by users, for users

JustFOIA, Inc. (“JustFOIA”) began as a product built for MCCi’s public sector clients from a deep understanding gained through 20+ years of servicing municipal clerks, records managers, and the public sector. From its founding roots as a Municode company, MCCi has accelerated more than 1,600 clients’ digital transformation journeys by adding intelligence to their processes.



Because many of these clients were searching for a way to better manage the rise in complexity and volume of their organizations’ records requests, MCCi’s development team and leadership worked hand-in-hand with these clients to simplify the process and provide a better user experience for records managers and the constituents they serve. **In 2014, the JustFOIA Solution was launched.** Fast forward to 2020, JustFOIA’s success sparked the need for its own brand and evolution into becoming a sister-company to MCCi. In 2022, we celebrated the milestone of over 1 MILLION records requests processed in JustFOIA, serving more than 500 clients in 44 states.

WHAT MAKES US DIFFERENT

Development fueled by client ideas



Our clients continue to be a vital component of our product feedback loop with client success, implementation, and support teams all regularly contributing ideas to product management. With the launch of our [Ideas Portal](#), **we ensure clients have a voice**, providing a direct line to submit ideas for development consideration, see the status of their development request, and actively vote for the most important features and improvements.

We believe ideas get better when you create an environment of sharing. We regularly organize specialized group discussions, where users with similar challenges engage with our team to make the system work better for them. In addition to testing done by our seasoned, in-house development and quality assurance testing teams, when large features are ready to be tested, we gather beta clients for focus groups and trial usage before releases make it to prime time.

Personalized, consultative services approach

When choosing a records request management solution partner, there are many things to consider. Features and functionality are certainly part of any software partner buying decision, but what will truly dictate your overall experience will be the support you receive during the initial implementation and beyond. We know records requests are only a part of your overall responsibilities, so we start by taking a personalized, consultative approach to the implementation. You’re not expected to figure this out on your own – we take the time to fully understand your unique needs and conduct multiple live trainings with your Administrators and Power Users, making sure the end result is the desired one.

Best-in-class technical support

Once your project is complete, you will have access to our stellar Technical Support Team, maintaining a documented **100% client satisfaction rate**, for troubleshooting and supporting the Solution. We offer optional supplementary support packages as well, giving you more access to our staff based on your needs.



Proactive client success



JustFOIA
★★★★★

We are fanatical about client success. Don't just take our word for it—check out our [G2 Reviews](#). Success starts with our eagerness to understand our clients' needs and where they are headed on their journey to streamlining their records requests processes. We believe in a proactive support methodology, which begins with client education, excellent service, and communication. Your organization will have a **dedicated Client Success Specialist** that can:

- Identify any needs that could easily be addressed by the Solution
- Serve as a resource for questions and answers, best practices, how other clients are using the system with the use of documented case studies, support center, etc.
- Provide continued education for existing and new users through webinars, workshops, user groups, and more
- Coordinate with our sales operations team for pricing/renewals inquiries and budgetary information

Easiest-to-use or we'll retrain you free

We understand that software – no matter how many features it has – can't be great unless it's easy to use. **We guarantee that JustFOIA is the easiest-to-use records request software, or we will train you again at no extra cost.**



To back this up and to supplement our **live trainings**, we offer our industry-exclusive [Learning Management Software platform](#) – The Training Center for JustFOIA – to our clients for free. With unlimited, on-demand access to hundreds of help videos and product documentation, live monthly learning sessions, and peer-based user groups, training new departments and employees is a breeze. We leverage the platform as we roll out JustFOIA to new clients every day, using it to store custom training videos and designing courses for users that simplify training on new features and functionality. If you are as passionate about learning as we are about training, get JustFOIA certified. We offer certifications for Administrators, Power Users and General Users.

WHAT'S INCLUDED WITH JustFOIA PRO PLUS?

FEATURES & SERVICES	Pro Plus
Security & Compliance	
SOC 2 Certified Organization Partner	✓
Annual Employee Certified CJIS & HIPAA Training	✓
ADA/Section 508 Compliant	✓
CJIS ACE Seal of Compliance	✓
Secure Hosting on Microsoft Azure Government Cloud (FedRAMP Authorized at Level High)	✓
Texas Risk and Authorization Management Program (TX-RAMP) Certified Cloud Product	✓
System Updates	✓
Single Sign-On (SSO)	✓+
Data Storage & Users	
Standard Data Storage	Unlimited
Unlimited Administrators, Power Users, General Users, & Viewers	✓
Requester Experience	
One (1) Configurable Public Portal for Requesters to Submit & Track Requests	✓
Search Archive to Allow Requesters to Search Previous Requests	✓
Dynamic Form Fields (e.g., conditional fields or messages)	✓
User Experience	
Retention Schedules	✓
Configurable Workflow for User(s)/Department(s) to Work Concurrently	✓
DirectRoute Workflow	+
Notifications, Reminders & Alerts	✓
In-App Internal & External (Requester) Communication Tools	✓
In-App Redaction with Auto-Redaction (Unlimited Users)	✓
Unlimited File Size in Release to Requester	✓
Any & All Document Management with .PST File Extraction, Response Doc Folder Organization, In-App Document Viewer & Batch Auto-Redaction	✓
Time & Materials Tracking	✓
Invoicing Module	✓
Payment Portal for Credit Card Processing (Global Payments, Authorize.net, PayPal, NIC, Catalis, Point And Pay, or Paymentus)	✓+
Laserfiche Integration for Importing/Exporting Files	+
Reporting Dashboard	✓
Standard & Custom Reports through Advanced Reporting	✓
Training/Onboarding	
Dedicated Project Lead	✓
Live, Remote Administrator & Power User Training	✓
Live, Onsite Administrator & Power User Training	+
One-Week Hypercare Period after Go-Live	✓
24/7/365 Training Center LMS with Client-Specific & General Trainings & Videos	✓
Client Service & Support	
Live Technical Support from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Eastern	✓
Dedicated Client Success Specialist	✓
Monthly Webinars	✓
JustFOIA Supplemental Support Hours	+

✓ Included + Optional ✓ + Client choice of SSO or Payment Portal Included (Also available as an Optional Add-on)

PRICING



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 Tallahassee, FL 32311
 850.701.0725
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Client Name: City of Cooper City
Client Address: PO Box 290910, Cooper City, FL 33329
Quote Number: 40425
Quote Type: New JustFOIA System

Quote Date: 2/27/2026

<i>Product Description:</i>	<i>Qty.</i>	<i>Unit Cost</i>	<i>Total</i>
<u>JustFOIA ANNUAL RECURRING SERVICES</u>			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> JustFOIA Pro Plus	1	\$9,835.00	\$9,835.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Laserfiche Integration for JustFOIA Pro Plus	1	\$1,967.00	\$1,967.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Single Sign-On (SSO)	1	Included	Included
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any & All Document Management	1	Included	Included
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unlimited Admins, Power Users & General Users	1	Included	Included
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unlimited Storage	1	Included	Included
<u>JustFOIA SUPPLEMENTAL SUPPORT SUBSCRIPTION</u>			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> JustFOIA Managed Support Services	1	\$1,386.00	\$1,386.00
<i>Up to 10 hours of JustFOIA staff time to be used post-implementation for training, consultation, configuration or adjustments to workflows. Hours expire when subscription period ends.</i>			
SUBTOTAL - RECURRING ANNUAL SERVICES			\$13,188.00

<i>Service Description:</i>	<i>Qty.</i>	<i>Unit Cost</i>	<i>Total</i>
<u>JustFOIA SERVICE PACKAGES</u>			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pro Implementation	1	Included	Included
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Configuration of 2 Request Forms	1	Included	Included
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Records Requests • TBD Records Requests 			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Single Sign-On Configuration	1	Included	Included
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any & All Document Management Configuration	1	Included	Included
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Laserfiche Integration Configuration for JustFOIA Pro	1	\$750.00	\$750.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dynamic Fields Configuration (up to 10/package)	1	\$370.00	\$370.00
SUBTOTAL - ONE-TIME SERVICES			\$1,120.00

COMPETITIVE REPLACEMENT PROMOTION WILL BE APPLIED; INITIAL COST WILL BE SERVICES ONLY. \$1,120.00



YEAR 1 RECURRING ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION COST	\$13,188.00
YEAR 2 RECURRING ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION COST	\$13,847.40
YEAR 3 RECURRING ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION COST	\$14,539.77

All Quotes Expire 30 Days from Quote Date

This is NOT an invoice. Please use this confirmation to initiate Client’s purchasing process.

NOTE: *The information presented in this document is based on the results of JustFOIA’s and Client’s collaborative preliminary discovery thus far. As planning and discovery continue, the project scope and costs may change to meet the specific needs of Client. **JustFOIA will provide Master Services Agreement and Addendum with Assumptions, Terms & Conditions for review and approval prior to the start of any project.***

RECURRING SERVICES

Client has elected to license the JustFOIA software provided as a service (the “**Solution**”).

An annual increase of 5% will be applied to the immediately preceding annual rates (excluding any initial or one-time discounts). The Recurring Services portion of this Order and/or applicable Addendum will renew upon payment of annual renewal invoice or will terminate as set forth below (“Termination” section).

SALES TAX

Sales tax will be invoiced where the Client is not exempt and/or has not communicated its tax status to JustFOIA. Sales tax is not included in the fee quote above.

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TECHNICAL & SUPPLEMENTAL SUPPORT

To support your journey, it's important to have a plan in case issues or needs arise.

Technical Support

JustFOIA Technical Support is provided for all clients through the online support center, by email (support@JustFOIA.com), or by telephone (800-342-2633), during business hours of 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Eastern Time. Technical Support covers Solution break/fix support, version updates, and continued educational resources including the JustFOIA Training Center.

	JustFOIA Technical Support Services	JustFOIA Managed Support Services	JustFOIA Process Administration Support Services
Description	Technical	JMSS	JPASS
Easy access to JustFOIA's team of support technicians for break/fix support issues (i.e., error codes, bug fixes, etc.) & basic Q&A support	■	■	■
Remote access support through web meeting	■	■	■
Access to version updates, security updates and hotfixes	■	■	■
Customized JustFOIA Training Center Support	■	■	■
Access to high-level support technicians with enhanced knowledge		■	■
Remote Training for New/Existing Users		■	■
Annual System Review (upon Client request)		■	■
System Settings Consultation		■	■
Assistance with Current System Modifications*		■	■
Assistance with New System Configurations**		■	■
Configuration Changes to Routing of Current DirectRoute Workflows		■	■
Dedicated Technical Support Professional			■
Institutional Knowledge of Client's Solution			■
Proactive recurring consultation calls upon the Client's request			■
Adjust Current SSO or Payment Portal Connections			■

***Current System Modifications** includes Public Portal, Forms, Standard Workflows, Email Templates, Advanced Reports, Custom Dashboards, Dynamic Fields, Users, and Redaction settings.

****New System Configurations** includes Users, Forms, Standard Workflows, Email Templates, Advanced Reports, Custom Dashboards, Dynamic Fields, Users, and Redaction settings. This will also include new additional features that are added to Client's subscription in the future.

Note on Hours usage: JustFOIA allows clients to use their hours for a multitude of post-implementation services, as long as a request will not start a service that cannot be completed within the hours available. The creation of new DirectRoute Workflows is not included in Supplemental Support Services.

JustFOIA Supplemental Support Services

Want an enhanced level of post-implementation support? JustFOIA offers two supplemental support packages, Managed Support Services (JMSS) or Process Administration Support Services (JPASS), to cover ongoing consultation, training, and configuration services. A supplemental support package is strongly encouraged to be included with every renewal and is an annual subscription. Pricing is based on the package purchased and is an advanced discounted block of hours, which expires on the same date as Client's annual renewal. JMSS pricing for the advanced block of hours is based on JustFOIA's Support Technician hourly rate discounted by 10%. JPASS pricing for the advanced block of hours is based on JustFOIA's Senior Support Technician hourly rate discounted by 10%.

Supplemental Support Package Definitions

ENHANCED KNOWLEDGE

You'll have access to our team of more knowledgeable support technicians.

REMOTE TRAINING

Additional remote training is conducted to train new users or as refresher training for existing users.

SYSTEM CONSULTATION

JustFOIA offers best practices consultation that includes recommendations for adding additional departments, statuses, email templates, etc.

CONFIGURATION/MODIFICATION SERVICES

Configuration/modification services for request forms, standard workflows, email templates, dynamic form fields, and more.

CHANGES TO ROUTING OF CURRENT DIRECTROUTE WORKFLOWS

For clients with a DirectRoute Workflow, we will make minor adjustments such as changing the routing individual to maintain your DirectRoute Workflow.

DEDICATED SUPPORT PROFESSIONAL & INSTITUTIONAL KNOWLEDGE

You will be assigned a dedicated support professional who will gain institutional knowledge of your agency's unique setup and configuration of the JustFOIA solution.

PROACTIVE, RECURRING CALLS UPON REQUEST

Clients can request to have a recurring call with their dedicated support professional (monthly or quarterly) to discuss recommended changes, questions, or concerns.

ADJUSTMENT OF CURRENT SINGLE-SIGN ON OR PAYMENT PORTAL CONNECTIONS

JustFOIA can assist with adjusting the current SSO or Payment Portal connection.

HOW DOES IT WORK?



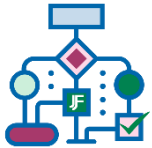
Receive Records Requests through Your Configurable Public Portal

Direct requesters to an online experience to submit and track the status of their requests, search previous requests, pay invoices, and more. Requesters are automatically notified of receipt.



Create Custom Request Forms

Modernize paper forms and emailed PDF requests with as many configurable, web-based forms as you want. Digital forms allow you to quickly collect all the information you need from the start!



Reduce Response Times through Workflow

Streamline your process by automating repetitive tasks and communications through process mapping. Departments and users can be assigned and automatically notified of tasks and due dates. Reminders, escalations, reassignments, and approvals are configurable within each task.



Centralize All Communications - With the Requester and Internal

Create transparency and simplify your communications both internally and externally. Design and automate common communications with templated messages and workflows.



Redact Sensitive Information

Automatically redact documents with one click or manually remove sensitive data. Features include text search, proximity search, redact selected text and/or full page(s). There is no per-user fee, so any user can redact a document if they are permitted by your organization. An exemption log can be automatically generated to accompany each request to explain any redactions.



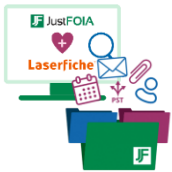
Estimate & Log Time & Materials

Keep track of the labor, time, and materials costs of fulfilling requests. Configure individual user hourly rates and standard material fees, so invoicing is made simple.



Generate Invoices and Receive Payments

Issue invoices and receive payments inside the Public Portal. Accept all forms of payments including credit cards via our optional, PCI-Compliant Payment Portal, using third-party payment processors.



Import & Organize Response Documents

Easily upload documents from your computer, network or via our optional Laserfiche integration for the requestor to retrieve through your secure JustFOIA Public Portal. Using our optional Any & All Document Management module, extract .PST files and simplify managing hundreds of files.



Analyze Comprehensive Reports

Custom reports are available, in addition to standard reports, such as:

- Processed Requests
- Bottlenecks
- User Activity
- Paused Requests
- Fees Totals
- Time and Materials
- Deleted Requests
- User Task Activity
- Correspondence
- Open Requests
- Request Retention
- Payment Details

WORLD-CLASS, STANDARD SECURITY & COMPLIANCE

JustFOIA is committed to providing a secure platform for our clients that meets or exceeds industry standards. JustFOIA's SOC 2 Type 2 certification, as defined by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) demonstrates that an external auditing firm has verified the implementation of strict information security and risk management policies and procedures. JustFOIA's CIO is CISSP certified. **All JustFOIA client sites are deployed exclusively on the Azure Government Cloud**, which was built upon the foundational principles of security, privacy and control, compliance, and transparency. JustFOIA is also the only TX-RAMP Certified records request management cloud product.



SOC 2 COMPLIANCE

The official SOC 2 audit report provides a thorough review of processes relating to risk management, including:

- Internal Controls
- IT Infrastructure
- Logical Security
- Environmental Security
- Disaster Recovery Plans
- Access Management Policies
- Software Development Lifecycle
- Network Security
- Computer Operations
- Acceptable Use Policies
- Subservice Due Diligence
- Change Management Procedures
- Physical Security
- Business Continuity
- Corporate Ethics

MICROSOFT AZURE GOVERNMENT CLOUD

Microsoft Azure Government Cloud is FedRAMP Authorized at Level High and designed to handle data subject to certain government regulations and requirements, such as NIST800.171 (DIB), ITAR, IRS 1075, DoD L4, and CJIS. Azure Government uses physically isolated datacenters and networks (located in U.S. only).

ENCRYPTED DATA

The Solution is a web-based application, and all HTTP communications are secured in transit by TLS 1.2 (aka HTTPS). Your data is encrypted at rest transparently using 256-bit AES encryption, one of the strongest block ciphers available, and is FIPS 140-2 compliant.

WEB APPLICATION FIREWALL

Azure Web Application Firewall (WAF) provides protection of your web applications from common exploits and vulnerabilities. SQL injection and cross-site scripting are among the most common attacks. WAF on Application Gateway is based on Core Rule Set (CRS) 3.1, 3.0, or 2.2.9 from the Open Web Application Security Project (OWASP). With no additional configuration required, the WAF automatically updates to protect against new vulnerabilities.

LAYER 7 LOAD BALANCING & NETWORK SECURITY GROUPS

Load Balancing distributes traffic across multiple servers to improve availability and performance. Azure Application Gateway serves as a web traffic load balancer that directs traffic to web applications. While traditional load balancers operate at the transport layer (OSI layer 4), Azure Application Gateway makes routing decisions based on additional attributes of an HTTP request, such as URI path or host headers. Application layer (OSI layer 7) load balancing gives the JustFOIA team greater control in managing the Solution's infrastructure. As a second layer of protection, Network Security Groups applied will only allow traffic that is explicitly defined as allowed.

MONITORING & PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

Our monitoring and alerting systems notify our Network Operations Center (NOC) of any issues with availability or performance. Our engineers are available 24/7 to address any cloud infrastructure issues.

P2S = POINT TO SITE VPN

Support & administrative personnel access the Solution's backend infrastructure via secure VPN connections only.

UPDATE MANAGEMENT

Updates for Windows Server OS and SQL Server are managed through Azure Automation Update Management, deploying critical and security updates monthly and classification updates quarterly.

AZURE BACKUP & SITE RECOVERY SERVICES

Azure's backup service provides independent and isolated backups to guard against accidental destruction of original data. Backups are encrypted and stored in a Recovery Services Vault with built-in management of recovery points.

The Solution's Disaster Recovery is built upon Azure Site Recovery (ASR), a native disaster recovery as a service that replicates all Virtual Machine disks (OS and Data for all web, application, and database servers) from the Azure Region hosting your production environment to a geographically disparate Azure Region. Replicas are kept up to date within five (5) minutes.

ONGOING SECURITY INNOVATION

As you can see, we take numerous measures to secure your data. While we're confident in our technology, we recognize that no system can guarantee data security with 100% certainty. For that reason, we will continue to innovate, maintain state of the art security measures, and thoroughly investigate any reported security issues concerning JustFOIA's services or software.

508/ADA COMPLIANCE

As part of our ongoing commitment to providing the easiest-to-use records requests software, we are dedicated to providing a web application that is accessible to the widest possible audience, regardless of technology or ability. As such, we strive to remove barriers that might prevent a person with disabilities from using our products by adhering to the Revised Section 508 Standards published by the United States Access Board.



The WCAG level of compliance is approved by the ADA for websites and provides recommendations for making content accessible. JustFOIA's citizen-facing pages perform at a Level AA (or level two) conformance to these guidelines, including:

- **Text Equivalents:** Alternative text for appropriate images and other non-text elements
- **Full Keyboard Access:** Built so that it can be accessed using a keyboard
- **Site Consistency:** Feature and functions perform the same way every time
- **Site Structure:** Appropriate headings, lists, paragraphs, style sheets, and other format features to enable easy use with assistive technology
- **Links:** Descriptive link titles, unless the link text already fully describes the target

JustFOIA routinely completes a Voluntary Product Accessibility Template (VPAT) and engages with external consultants certified by the International Association of Accessibility Professionals to ensure our Solution conforms with required standards. Our [VPAT Report](#) allows us to provide the data needed for your procurement team to verify that the JustFOIA Solution complies with Section 508 technical requirements.

CLIENT JOURNEY TO EMPOWERMENT

We're going to walk with you hand-in-hand throughout your JustFOIA Client Journey, actively supporting and guiding your team as they interact and engage with the Solution – thus, empowering your team to manage the system post-implementation. This journey is not viewed as a one-time transaction but as an ongoing partnership, where we remain committed to client success and satisfaction at every stage.

DELIVERY TEAM

Once you have selected your “destination” of JustFOIA, our Delivery Team will guide you through four phases of implementation, ensuring a smooth path to Go-Live:

Phase 1: Pre-Implementation

We think it's important that we get to know each other first – building upon the knowledge gained during the decision-making process to configure the Solution to your specific needs. Your Project Coordinator will gather configuration data and outline expectations for the upcoming implementation phases. During our “Implementation Launch Session,” your assigned Project Coordinator will discuss training, confirm the timeline and key milestone dates, and introduce you to the public-facing side of your JustFOIA site and request form(s).

Phase 2: System Training & Configuration

This phase will consist of two remote/live “*System Training Sessions*” for Administrators and Power Users, focusing on the practical application of the Solution through a hands-on experience submitting and working with mock requests to create a deep practical understanding of requests and administration settings. Clients are introduced to form configurations, retention options, redaction capabilities, communication tools, and more.

Phase 3: Request Training, Processing & Testing

Administrators and Power Users will be guided through the designed request form workflow, creating a collaborative, problem solving experience that results in a more intimate understanding of the process.

As Administrators and Power Users become experts in the Solution, the JustFOIA Delivery Team will collaborate with you to assist in onboarding general users. With numerous resources to onboard and introduce your staff to the Solution including custom training outlines, workflow maps, and guides for long-term reference, JustFOIA empowers you to create an internal training program while reinforcing your own knowledgebase.

Following training, a designated testing window reinforces training principles while preparing to launch the JustFOIA Solution to the public. Your assigned Project Coordinator will be on stand-by to make necessary system modifications.

Phase 4: Launching JustFOIA

Now, the moment we've been waiting for – it's time to Go-Live with JustFOIA! The Delivery Team is invested in your success and will be with you every step of the way. We will remove test data from your JustFOIA site and provide a press kit to spread the word about your efforts to promote transparency. High-level priority is given to inquiries and adjustments during our *Hypercare Check-in Service* period until you are transitioned to your long-term Client Success and Technical Support Teams.

CLIENT SUCCESS

Once you have launched JustFOIA to the public, your journey is only just beginning. Every JustFOIA client is assigned a dedicated Client Success Specialist to ensure they are getting the most out of their investment. Your Client Success Specialist can consult with you to recommend best practices and solutions to common records request issues. We invite clients to participate in periodic user webinars, training opportunities, user communities, and focus groups. Regardless of user type, there is something for everyone.

In addition to ensuring your satisfaction with JustFOIA, your Client Success Specialist will recommend resources found in the Training Center for JustFOIA, our complimentary learning management system with unlimited, on-demand access to hundreds of help videos and product documentation.

JUSTFOIA DEFINITIONS

To determine which modules are applicable, please refer to the Pricing section. Your specific implementation may not include all modules described below.

REDACTION MODULE

Our powerful in-App Redaction Module allows you to upload and redact documents automatically with one click or manually remove sensitive data. Features include text search, pattern matching, proximity search, redact selected text and/or full page(s). Easily apply exemption codes to cite redaction reasons. Once applied, redacted areas are burnt into the document and cannot be recovered or removed so only the redacted version can be released. There is no per-user fee, so any permitted user can redact a document.

JUSTFOIA TRAINING CENTER

The JustFOIA Training Center is a robust Learning Management System that offers remote learning, ongoing training and certification. This complimentary subscription provides an easy solution for new users and refresher training. Benefits include:

- 24/7 access to on-demand JustFOIA training videos, certification courses and other resources
- Reduction in training time and expenses
- Catered learning for all skill levels from Basic Users to System Administrators
- Unlimited access for Client's entire organization
- Reduction in internal support and increased user productivity
- Increased efficiency through improved internal usage/adoption of JustFOIA
- Customized with fully indexed, recorded training sessions

ADVANCED REPORTING

The Advanced Reporting module will allow Client to select data points to create custom reports and includes the following:

- User-selectable data points
- User-defined date ranges
- Saving created reports
- Ability to export data

SINGLE SIGN-ON (SSO)

The JustFOIA authentication system enables [Single Sign-On](#) ("SSO") integration by allowing connection to one of many supported identity providers. This allows users to login to JustFOIA via trusted connections established with their IT infrastructure (e.g., Microsoft Entra ID (formerly known as Azure Active Directory) login) instead of using username and password authentication within JustFOIA. This feature eliminates the need for users to maintain two sets of credentials, is easier for Client's IT organization to maintain security protocols and gives Client better control over managing user access.

The following types of enterprise connections can be made:

- Microsoft Entra ID (formerly known as Azure Active Directory)
- ADFS
- Open ID Connect
- Active Directory
- PingFederate
- Google Workspace (formerly G Suite, formerly Google Apps)
- SAML
- Duo

PAYMENT PORTAL

JustFOIA integrates with Global Payments, Authorize.net, PayPal, NIC, Catalis, Point And Pay, and Paymentus payments to collect payments from requestors online. These third-party payment processors handle all monetary transactions and sensitive credit card data. The requestor enters the request number/security key to see any fees that they owe. If they owe fees, they can pay through a secure Global Payments, Authorize.net, PayPal, NIC, Catalis, or Paymentus payments site. Once they pay, users are able to make the request documents available for immediate release.

LASERFICHE INTEGRATION

Our exclusive Laserfiche integration is a seamless bridge, allowing your organization to leverage Laserfiche to fulfill records requests more quickly and efficiently. From inside the JustFOIA Solution, users can securely connect to their Laserfiche repository to search and browse for responsive documents, sending selected documents to a specific request in the same file format as they are in the repository. As part of your Laserfiche Integration, you can export custom system reports directly into your Laserfiche repository, as well as all parts of a request including communications, response documents, invoices, and a full timeline history of activity on the request. This integration requires each user to have a full Laserfiche license. Please see the [Laserfiche Integration User & Configuration Guide](#).

ANY & ALL DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT

For clients who receive requests for “Any and All” communications, the effort to determine the responsive documents can be overwhelming. Built for clients who need to work with a large number of files, JustFOIA’s Any & All Document Management tool helps simplify and speed up this process with a variety of features, including:

- Extract .PST files (emails and attachments)
- Detect duplicate emails
- Bulk redact and sort all files with one-click
- Combine files into one PDF
- Create custom folders and review documents in the document viewer

DIRECTROUTE WORKFLOWS

DirectRoute Workflows enhance your organization’s efficiency by automating the initial routing of requests. This empowers requestors to pinpoint the exact department responsible for receiving and addressing their submission. This leads to a significant reduction in processing time, a streamlined user experience, and assurance that requests are routed accurately.

Like JustFOIA’s standard workflow capabilities, DirectRoute Workflows can include due dates, reminders, escalations, approvals and trigger the dispatch of system and customized emails.

DYNAMIC FORM FIELDS

For clients looking for a more advanced form experience, Dynamic Form Fields provides a way to create highly interactive and user-centric request forms. These fields adapt the form’s behavior to requestor input and predefined conditions, specifically enhance the requestor experience. Dynamic Form Fields can be especially valuable in complex forms where all fields are not relevant to every requestor. The use of Dynamic Form Fields ensures all data necessary to process a request is collected at the initial submission.

A JustFOIA Dynamic Form Field is defined as a single form field (Dropdown, Checkbox, Text Area, Text Input, Date or Label) that becomes visible and/or required based on form selections or requestor input.

SANDBOX

For clients that prefer to test proposed changes before making updates to their live system, JustFOIA offers a Sandbox environment. JustFOIA will provide a sandbox/testing environment based on a snapshot of the configuration and database on the day requests begin being processed via the JustFOIA Public Portal. An update can be requested at any time, for an additional cost.

INSTANCE

For agencies that prefer to have multiple instances of JustFOIA, there are options available. Ideal for shared services environments with centralized IT administration and billing needs, an additional instance can be used for an additional agency, division or even a sandbox environment. An additional instance includes:

- Per-instance administration interface
- Same add-ons as initial system
- A separate, unique URL
- Unique set of system email templates
- Independent branding and separate Public Portal
- Independent reporting
- A different SSO domain and/or payment account

SERVICE PACKAGES

GENERAL ASSUMPTIONS

The following assumptions serve as the basis for the Service Package(s) reflected below. Any service or activity not described below is not included in the scope of services to be provided. Variations to the following may impact the Service Package's cost and/or schedule, justifying a change order.

- JustFOIA's completion of a Deliverable to Client shall constitute that JustFOIA has conducted its own review and believes it meets Client's requirements. Client shall then have the right to conduct its own review of the Deliverable as Client deems necessary. If Client, in its reasonable discretion, determines that any submitted Deliverable does not meet the agreed upon expectations, Client shall have five (5) business days after JustFOIA's submission to give written notice to JustFOIA specifying the deficiencies in reasonable detail. JustFOIA shall use reasonable efforts to promptly resolve any such deficiencies. Upon resolution of any such deficiencies, JustFOIA shall resubmit the Deliverable for review as set forth above. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if Client fails to reject any Deliverable within five (5) business days, such Deliverable shall be deemed accepted.
- If either party identifies a business issue during the project, JustFOIA and Client must jointly establish a plan to resolve the issues with potential impact analysis of timeline and budget within five (5) business days of identification. Any necessary business decision resulting from the identified business issues must be made by Client within five (5) business days from request.
- Client will maintain primary contacts and project staff for the duration of the project, as a change in staff may result in a change order for time spent by JustFOIA on retraining, reeducating, or changes in direction.
- Any deviations from the contract will be documented in a Change Order that Client must execute.
- All rates are based on normal business hours, Monday through Friday from 8 am to 5 pm local time. If scheduling needs to occur after business hours, additional rates may apply.
- For JustFOIA to excel in providing the highest level of service, Client must provide timely access to technical resources. Client must provide adequate technical support for all JustFOIA installation and support services. If Client does not have "in-house" technical support, it is Client's responsibility to make available the appropriate Information Technology resources/consultant when needed.
- Client will ensure that all Client's personnel who may be necessary or appropriate for the successful performance of the services will, on reasonable notice: (i) be available to assist JustFOIA personnel by answering business, technical and operational questions and providing requested documents, guidelines, and procedures in a timely manner; (ii) participate in the services as reasonably necessary for performance under this Order; and (iii) be available to assist JustFOIA with any other activities or tasks required to complete the services in accordance with this Order.
- Note that all services contracted for must be done as part of the initial implementation. For the avoidance of doubt, if there are services or portions thereof that the Client does not elect to implement as part of the initial implementation, such services are forfeited.
- All services, unless otherwise noted, will be performed remotely.

PRO IMPLEMENTATION

CLIENT TASKS & DELIVERABLES

- Provide a visual flow chart and/or narrative of current records request process(es) and requirements
- Attend all scheduled implementation sessions and respond promptly to requests for information
- Complete necessary configuration assignments in a timely manner, including but not limited to:
 - Create General User and Viewer accounts and respective departments
 - Create user-created email templates
- Conduct internal end-user (General User) trainings
- Perform user acceptance testing
- Complete JustFOIA Training Center trainings and certification
- Configure Deflection/Dynamic Fields, unless Dynamic Fields Configuration Package is quoted

JustFOIA TASKS & DELIVERABLES

- Deploy site in the Microsoft Azure Government Cloud
- Set up Client with Training Center accounts
- Conduct Pre-Implementation Session (1 hour) to collect necessary configuration data and outline expectations
- Lead Implementation Launch Session (1 hour) to identify implementation milestones and introduce Client to public facing JustFOIA site and request form(s)
- Establish and configure initial Administrator and Power User security credentials and respective departments
- Personalize Public Portal with Client branding
- Configure number of request forms defined in Order and necessary request statuses and workflow task lists
- Complete initial configuration of observed holidays
- Complete initial configuration of system email templates
- Conduct two (2) Remote System Trainings (1.5 hours and 1 hour respectively); recordings made available in Training Center
- Conduct one (1) Remote Workflow Training (1 hour per form process); recording made available in Training Center
- Provide training support and resources to Administrator and Power User Team for end-user trainings
- Provide technical support through user testing before going live
- Assist with transition to Client Success and Support Teams
- Provide Go-Live Marketing Press Kit

SINGLE SIGN-ON (SSO) CONFIGURATION

CLIENT TASKS & DELIVERABLES

- Review [Single Sign-on Guide](#)
- Follow the [Single Sign-on Guide](#) and best practices documentation for your Identity Provider of choice
- Choose a protocol to connect with (e.g.: SAML, Open ID Connect)
- Attend an Integration Call with JustFOIA to walk through any outstanding setup and Q&A, within the scope of JustFOIA responsibilities
- Work with JustFOIA to determine what pieces of information will be needed
- Participate in testing

JustFOIA TASKS & DELIVERABLES

- Conduct requirements gathering
- Configure JustFOIA SSO:
 - Deliver any relevant documentation for connection type to the client
 - Integration call with Client to walk through any outstanding setup and Q&A, within the scope of JustFOIA responsibilities
 - Information gathered by client is provided to JustFOIA
 - Enterprise Connection is created and established in the JustFOIA system
 - Client tests the connection to validate it is configured and working correctly
- Complete testing

ANY & ALL DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT CONFIGURATION

CLIENT TASKS & DELIVERABLES

- Attend remote Document Management training and respond promptly to requests for information

JustFOIA TASKS & DELIVERABLES

- Configure and implement Any & All Document Management module
- Conduct one (1) remote Document Management training session (30 minutes); recording uploaded to Training Center

LASERFICHE INTEGRATION CONFIGURATION

CLIENT TASKS & DELIVERABLES

- IT review and verification of prerequisites/requirements in the [Laserfiche Integration User & Configuration Guide](#)
- Attend all scheduled integration and configuration sessions and respond promptly to requests for information
- Participate in testing

JustFOIA TASKS & DELIVERABLES

- Delivery of installable Common Web Services API (CWS API)
- Conduct remote configuration sessions as required to complete the Laserfiche integration
- Complete testing and training

DYNAMIC FIELDS CONFIGURATION

CLIENT TASKS & DELIVERABLES

- Provide a list of desired dynamic form field(s), keywords and/or external links

JustFOIA TASKS & DELIVERABLES

- Conduct requirements gathering (not to exceed 1 hour)
- Configure and implement up to 10 dynamic form fields (not to exceed 1 hour)
- Complete testing

READY TO PARTNER?

If you're ready to take the next step with JustFOIA, what happens next?

Checklist	Step/Activity	Responsible Party
<input type="checkbox"/>	Client notifies JustFOIA Solution Consultant (SC) of Vendor Selection	Client
<input type="checkbox"/>	Client reviews the What's Included and Pricing pages to confirm all necessary components are included and requests any necessary updates.	Client
<input type="checkbox"/>	JustFOIA SC requests information below to provide official Contract/Order with Assumptions, Terms & Conditions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Legal Name ▪ Bill to Contact(s)/Email(s) ▪ Ship to Contact(s)/Email(s) ▪ Accounts Payable Email (if applicable) ▪ Desired Request Forms ▪ Desired URL (Example: bryantx.justfoia.com) 	JustFOIA SC
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ensure your IT Department has reviewed and agreed to the prerequisites for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Single Sign-on <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Determine enterprise connection (i.e., Microsoft Entra ID (formerly known as Azure Active Directory), ADFS, SAML) ▪ Laserfiche Integration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Must be on version 11 or higher ▪ What type of Laserfiche environment do you have (i.e., On-prem, Laserfiche Cloud, MCCi Managed Cloud, etc.)? 	Client IT
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ensure your Finance Department has reviewed and agreed to the supported payment gateways for the Payment Portal (Global Payments, Authorize.net, PayPal, NIC, Catalis, Point And Pay, or Paymentus payments) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Determine desired payment gateway ▪ Determine/setup merchant account compatible with payment gateway 	Client Finance
<input type="checkbox"/>	Client/JustFOIA Legal Review	Client & JustFOIA SC
<input type="checkbox"/>	Client executes Contract and becomes part of the JustFOIA family!	Client