

Public Inquires Received by CCDA

January - March 2019

Public Records Act (PRA) Requests:

The California Commission on Disability Access (CCDA) received a total of two PRA requests from law firms to obtain copies of case files received. For both requests, CCDA found no records of receiving the referenced case files.

Public Inquiries:

From January 1, 2019 - March 31, 2019, CCDA received a total of 50 inquiries from the public in various forms (email, phone calls and mail).

Table 1: Number of Inquiries Received by Month

Month	Number of Inquiries Received
January	17
February	14
March	19
Total	50

The majority of the inquiries are received via email (72%), followed by phone calls (22%) and mail (6%).

Table 2: Inquiries Received by Type

Type of Inquiry	Number of Inquiries Received	Percentage of Total
Email	36	72%
Phone call	11	22%

Type of Inquiry	Number of Inquiries Received	Percentage of Total
Piece of mail	3	6%
Totals:	50	100%

Table 3: Combined Inquiries Received by Month and Type

	January 2019		February 2019		March 2019	
Type of Inquiry	Total	Percent	Total	Percent	Total	Percent
Email	11	65%	12	86%	13	68.4%
Phone call	5	29%	1	7%	5	26.3%
Piece of mail	1	6%	1	7%	1	5.3%
Totals	17	100%	14	100%	19	100%

CCDA further organized the 50 inquiries received by nature of the inquiry:

- 1. 42 percent of the inquiries received were questions related to building codes and requirements.
- 2. 34 percent of the inquiries received were questions related to enforcement, legal consultations or advocacy.
- 3. 24 percent of the inquiries received were questions related to disability program access.

Table 4: Nature of Inquires Received

Nature of Inquiries	Number of Inquiries	Percent
Building codes or requirements ¹	21 ²	42%
Enforcement	17	34%
Disability program access	12	24%

¹ In terms of the complexity, CCDA received an inquiry from a Senator's office requesting data on cities that have ordinances on new construction requirements for roll-in showers to address the needs of residents who are wheelchair users. This inquiry required CCDA to conduct 8 – 10 hours of research on the building code requirements of local city jurisdictions within Northern California.

² CCDA received 5 building code inquiries related to government-owned buildings.

Nature of Inquiries	Number of Inquiries	Percent
Total:	50	100%

Examples of building codes or requirements questions include:

- "What is the design requirement for signage at my business?"
- "Is my business exempt from compliance?"
- "How do I apply for financial hardship or what is the valuation threshold for alterations?"

Examples of enforcement or legal advocacy questions include:

- "How do I file a complaint against this business?"
- "How do I have this business fix an identified access barrier?"

Examples of disability program access questions include:

- "How do I apply for disability insurance?"
- "How do I register my animal as an emotional support animal?"