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OHIO INSPECTOR GENERAL RECEIVES RECORDS DISCARDED BY THE OHIO REHABILITATION SERVICES COMMISSION  
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This past Friday afternoon, November 18, 2011, Ohio Inspector General Randall Meyer received a complaint from a confidential informant reporting office files of the Ohio Rehabilitation Services Commission were found in a trash dumpster located in Portsmouth, Ohio. The files contained confidential personal information.

Upon receipt of the complaint, the inspector general requested the immediate assistance of the Ohio State Highway Patrol, who dispatched troopers to Portsmouth. Shortly thereafter, investigators from the Ohio State Highway Patrol arrived at the location and retrieved the documents from the dumpster. As of this morning, the documents are now in the custody of the Office of the Ohio Inspector General.

Inspector General Randall Meyer issued the following statement: "The Office of the Ohio Inspector General will provide the necessary information to the Ohio Rehabilitation Services Commission so that they can make the appropriate notice to any person who may have had their confidential personal information compromised."

An investigation has been opened into possible wrongdoing by state employees and their obligations as custodians of confidential personal information. Further statements will be provided at the time of the release of a report of investigation.

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