

ACCESS TO INFORMATION

Releasing Records to Victims

Victims or their legal representatives can be supplied (free of charge) with their statement, particulars of their crime report, including the time, date, station, officer the matter was reported to and the COPS event number. Citizens of NSW have the right to access certain government information under the *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009 (NSW) (GIPA Act)*. The objective of the GIPA Act is to make government information more accessible to the public by:

- requiring government agencies to make certain sorts of information freely available
- encouraging government agencies to release as much other information as possible
- giving the public an enforceable right to make access applications for government information, and
- restricting access to information only when there is an overriding public interest against disclosure.

Accessing NSW Police Force information

You can apply for Access to Information online, by post or hand delivered. Further information and instructions on requesting information can be found at:

https://www.police.nsw.gov.au/online_services/requesting_information/gipaa