

**BACKGROUNDER TO MAY 12, 2009 NEWS RELEASE
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The Ombudsman's 2008 Annual Report is available:

- on line at www.ombudsman.mb.ca (under Ombudsman Division" or "Access and Privacy Division," see "Reports and Publications")
- on CD or hardcopy format from Manitoba Ombudsman at (204) 982-9130 (Winnipeg) or 1-800-665-0531 (toll free in Manitoba)

The CD version of the Report includes additional Ombudsman publications issued in 2008:

- 2 special reports on systemic investigations (and 2 others issued to date)
- 1 handbook for use by Manitoba municipal leaders
- 6 practice notes under FIPPA and PHIA (and 46 others issued to date, including one in 2009)
- 3 OmbudsNews newsletters (and 6 others issued to date, including one in 2009)

Re-issued on the CD are:

- 3 Manitoba Ombudsman brochures
- 8 youth rights pamphlets
- 1 handbook for use in the Manitoba Social Studies Curriculum, Grades 6, 9 and 11
- 3 questionnaires for privacy complaints under FIPPA
- 3 questionnaires for privacy complaints under PHIA