

INFORMATION IS EMPOWERING

Exercise your right to know

ACCESS TO INFORMATION

Information helps us to:

- Make good decisions
- Engage with each other
- Build knowledge
- Create an informed community
- Connect globally

What else does information help us do?

Why exercise your right to obtain government-held information?

- To find out more information about government plans and priorities
- To gain a better understanding of issues that are of particular interest or concern to you
- To actively participate in the democratic process
- To help make government accountable to its citizens

Think of a specific example where it would be helpful for you to have information from government.

FIPPA

Manitoba's Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA) allows people to request documents and other records from public-sector organizations such as provincial government departments, school divisions, universities, hospitals and municipalities. FIPPA gives people the right to complain to Manitoba Ombudsman about not getting access to requested information or about how the request for information was handled.