

◎ Measures to aid victims

To reduce the burden of victims, their families of those who got involved in crimes, and traffic accidents, the police provide various supports and aids.

1 Information provision

(1) Handbooks for crime victims

The police issue crime victims handbooks, which summarize Japanese criminal procedures and all aids provided, etc.

(2) Victim liaison system

The police provide victims with the progress of investigation, updates and how the suspects have been punished.

(3) Visit / Liaison activities

Victims who live in Japan may request officers from corresponding police boxes or residential police boxes to contact them.

2 Direct support

(1) Designated victim support personnel

Outside of investigators, designated police personnel (designated victim support personnel) offer various supports such as accompanying victims to hospitals after a crime occurs, along with consoling victims.

(2) Treatment for sexual crime victims

At the requests of sexual crime victims, the police is solicitous for those victims: female officers hear from victims, or contact and tell them about progress of investigation.

(3) Interview

Interview will take place in a comfortable room to put victims at ease.

(4) Victim support vehicle

At the scene of an incident, the police take into consideration victim's privacy, by using a minivan with concealment.

