

Media Report 08 May 2020

This weeks media reports will cover and answer great questions veterans are still asking such as Frequently asked questions regarding COVID-19 in Ottawa. Due to ongoing and evolving COVID-19 pandemic, callers may experience increased wait times when calling the Government of Canada Pension Center. Callers may also experience dropped calls, as all telecommunication networks across Canada are presently facing capacity challenges. and local Media Articles and Do you require 24-hour personal and nursing care on a short-term or long-term basis? We can provide financial support to qualifying Veterans for the cost of this care. Support you need, when you need it.

it is a soft message that is especially meaningful today. for our Veteran Sailors that have fallen

In Waters Deep – Eileen Mahoney

In ocean wastes no poppies blow,
No crosses stand in ordered row,
Their young hearts sleep... beneath the wave...
The spirited, the good, the brave,
But stars a constant vigil keep,
For them who lie beneath the deep.
'Tis true you cannot kneel in prayer
On certain spot and think. "He's there."
But you can to the ocean go...
See whitecaps marching row on row;
Know one for him will always ride...
In and out... with every tide.
And when your span of life is passed,
He'll meet you at the "Captain's Mast."
And they who mourn on distant shore
For sailors who'll come home no more,
Can dry their tears and pray for these
Who rest beneath the heaving seas...
For stars that shine and winds that blow
And whitecaps marching row on row.
And they can never lonely be
For when they lived... they chose the sea.

Forces members killed in helicopter crash honoured in emotional ramp ceremony

<https://www.ctvnews.ca/canada/forces-members-killed-in-helicopter-crash-honoured-in-emotional-ramp-ceremony-1.4926904>

Long-term care

The link to day is to an op ed in today's Citizen – a well written piece. It hits home on some of the issues that NVOG has been addressing WRT long term support of veterans writ large:

<https://ottawacitizen.com/opinion/smol-ve-day-modern-aging-veterans-dont-have-an-equivalent-symbol-of-their-sacrifice-and-thats-a-problem/>

About this program

All health systems in Canada provide some level of long-term care support in provincially licensed or regulated facilities.

Financial support from Veterans Affairs Canada may be available when you have been admitted to 24-hour care in a community bed (available to any provincial resident) or contract bed (only available to Second World War or Korean War Veterans).

The assessment process and admission to long-term care facilities is managed by your provincial, regional, or local health authority. Please contact the agency responsible for long-term care in your province or territory:

- [Alberta](#)
- [British Columbia](#)
- [Manitoba](#)
- [New Brunswick](#)
- [Newfoundland and Labrador](#)
- [Northwest Territories](#)
- [Nova Scotia](#)
- [Nunavut](#)
- [Ontario](#)
- [Prince Edward Island](#)
- [Quebec](#)
- [Saskatchewan](#)

Do you qualify?

If you have been admitted to a long-term care facility, you may qualify for and should apply for financial assistance if you served in the Canadian Armed Forces and have:

- a low income,
 - a service-related disability, or
 - a health need for long-term care.
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How to apply

Before you apply

Before you apply for financial assistance from Veterans Affairs Canada, you must first be admitted to a long-term care facility.

Apply online

If you are registered for My VAC Account, you can submit your application for this benefit online. If you aren't registered, you can [register now](#).

Mail or in person

Download the [application package](#) (VAC1503APe). Then, drop it off at a [VAC office](#). You can also mail your completed form directly to the address listed on the form.

Get help with your application

The staff at any [VAC office](#) can assist you, or call us at 1-866-522-2122.

Note for legal representatives: Include a copy of the document that shows you to be the legal representative (e.g. Power of Attorney). If you have previously provided this, you do not need to send it again.

Additional information

Related programs

[Treatment Benefits](#) - Coverage for medical and health related services.

[Veterans Independence Program](#) - Payments for home and health care services that you need to remain independent at home.

[War Veterans Allowance](#) - Monthly payments if you have a low household income.

Frequently asked questions

What is the maximum a Veteran must pay toward their long-term care accommodation costs?

Effective October 1, 2018, the maximum accommodation and meals monthly amount paid by a Veteran is \$1,039.48. Any supplementary charges such as the costs of semi-private or private rooms are not part of this calculation.

Do some Veterans pay less than the maximum amount?

Veterans who are admitted to care as a direct result of a condition for which they are in receipt of a disability benefit are not required to pay toward their long-term care. Also, Veterans may have a reduced contribution if they are married or have a lower income.

Where can I find the policies for this program?

Read the [policies related to the long-term care program](#).

(This message is circulated to all Veterans Organization representatives in the Veterans Consultation Assembly)

I do hope this finds you healthy and safe.

Current protective health measures have changed how we can celebrate our military heritage and commemorate service and sacrifice.

The Royal Canadian Legion is undertaking an initiative to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the Allied victory in Europe by asking Canadians to post a photo on social media of

themselves wearing red on May 8 in honour of the 1.1 million Canadians who served in the Second World War.

The goal is to keep Canadians engaged in commemorating the anniversary from home and to show that Canada Remembers from coast to coast to coast.

Attached are some of the planned social media posts and graphics for our #WearRedFriday for #VEDay75 social media campaign; this is being shared for your information but please feel free to circulate this initiative within your membership to help in the recognition of this anniversary.

Be well,

In Remembrance,

Steven

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FW: Fwd: Canada remembers the Liberation of the Netherlands and V-E Day /
Le Canada se souvient de la libération des Pays-Bas et du jour de la Victoire en
Europe

- Subject: Canada remembers the Liberation of the Netherlands and V-E Day /
Le Canada se souvient de la libération des Pays-Bas et du jour de la
Victoire en Europe
To: Education-Éducation (VAC/ACC) < vac.education-education.acc@canada.ca >
[Le texte en français suit...]
Dear educators,
Recent developments have unfortunately forced the cancellation of
commemorative events in Canada and Europe this May to mark

the 75th anniversary of the Liberation of the Netherlands and Victory in Europe (V-E) Day. At the same time, schools across the country have had to find innovative ways to teach their students. During these challenging times, Veterans Affairs Canada is here to help young people learn more about this important chapter of our country's military history with a wealth of free < <http://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/remembrance/battles-and-stages/liberation-of-netherlands>> educational resources for teachers. While the distribution of our free print products has been put on hold until the present situation passes, we encourage you to explore our online lesson plans, virtual postcards, posters, historical information, Veteran interviews and more to see what might be useful to you.

< <http://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/remembrance/battles-and-stages/liberation-of-netherlands>>
www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/remembrance/battles-and-stages/liberation-of-netherlands

Veterans Affairs Canada has also created a new Home Learning Corner

< <http://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/remembrance/battles-and-stages/liberation-of-netherlands/home-learning-corner>> to support parents and students with engaging, home-based educational activities for a variety of ages on how our soldiers helped liberate the Dutch people during the Second World War.

Students are also being encouraged to take part in a "Tulip Takeover"

< <https://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/remembrance/commemorative-events/netherlands-ve-day>> and create tulip art to put in their windows and on social media to let everyone see – from a safe distance – how they are

remembering the
Liberation of the Netherlands this spring.
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[ands/home-learning-corner](http://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/remembrance/battles-and-stages/liberation-of-netherlands/home-learning-corner)

< <http://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/remembrance/battles-and-stages/liberation-of-netherlands/home-learning-corner>>

Here are some other neat ways that schools, educators and students can show

that we remember:

- * Connect virtually with Veterans in your community or across Canada

by writing a digital postcard

< <https://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/remembrance/commemorative-events/netherlands>

[-ve-day/virtual-postcards](https://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/remembrance/commemorative-events/netherlands)> and sharing online;

- * Explore stories of those who helped liberate the Dutch people by

listening to Veterans Affairs Canada podcasts

< <https://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/remembrance/commemorative-events/netherlands>

[-ve-day/podcast](https://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/remembrance/commemorative-events/netherlands)> , watching Veteran interviews

< <https://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/remembrance/people-and-stories/heroes-rememb>

[er/netherlands](https://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/remembrance/people-and-stories/heroes-rememb)> or reading Faces of Freedom

< <https://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/remembrance/history/faces-of-freedom>>

profiles;

- * Join the conversation on social media, and include the hashtags

#CanadaRemembers, #Netherlands75, #VEDay75 and

#TulipsAtHome.

Through an initiative launched by the Embassy of the Kingdom of the

Netherlands, with the support of several Canadian partners including the

Canadian Tulip Festival, some 1,100 schools from across our country planted

special Liberation75 tulip bulbs last fall. These beautiful flowers of

remembrance that will bloom this spring honour the brave Canadians who

liberated the Netherlands, but young people can also learn more in other

ways. Check out their "Liberation75" education guide today to

learn more.

www.liberation75.ca/education

On the 75th anniversary of V-E Day and the end of the Second World War in

Europe, Defining Moments Canada is honoured to collaborate with The Juno

Beach Centre and The Canadian Research and Mapping Association

(Project44.ca) to offer educators around the country a series of FREE

educational resources to help their students think critically about the

legacy of this defining Canadian moment.

With the goal of having students explore and commemorate the stories of

Canadians during the "Victory Campaign" from autumn 1944 to spring 1945, our

digital mapping tools, inquiry-based lesson plans, storytelling resources,

and vast array of supplementary material will have your students delving

deeper than ever into VEDay75 and its implications for the people – and

country – that lived it.

<https://definingmomentscanada.ca/>

The Canada Aviation and Space Museum is pleased to present The Legacy

Series, a collection of free teaching tools to engage your students in

powerful stories of the Second World War. This original documentary film

series — created by Canadian film students in partnership with film

professionals and the museum — showcases compelling, personal accounts of

the Second World War, told through the lens of aviation. Explore The Legacy

Series today.

<https://ingeniumcanada.org/aviation/education/legacy-series.php>

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message and type 'Unsubscribe' in the subject heading.

Thank you for helping keep the torch of remembrance burning brightly in our

youth!

The Veterans Affairs Canada Learning Team

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Cher éducateur, chère éducatrice,
La situation sanitaire mondiale a malheureusement forcé
l'annulation
d'événements commémoratifs au Canada et en Europe, prévus
au mois de mai
pour souligner le 75e anniversaire de la libération des Pays-Bas
et du jour
de la Victoire en Europe. Dans la foulée, les écoles à travers le
pays ont
cherché des manières innovatrices pour aider les jeunes à
poursuivre les
apprentissages.
En ces temps difficiles, Anciens Combattants Canada est là pour
aider les
jeunes à en apprendre davantage à propos de ce chapitre
important de
l'histoire militaire de notre pays, avec une variété de ressources
pour les
enseignants
< <https://www.veterans.gc.ca/fra/remembrance/battles-and-stages/liberation-of-netherlands>> . Bien que la distribution de nos ressources
imprimées
gratuites ait été suspendue temporairement, nous vous
encourageons à
explorer nos plans de leçons en ligne, nos cartes postales
virtuelles, nos
affiches, nos ressources historiques, nos entrevues avec des
vétérans et
autres, et ainsi trouver du matériel qui pourrait être utile.
www.veterans.gc.ca/fra/remembrance/battles-and-stages/liberation-of-netherlands
Anciens Combattants Canada a aussi créé un Coin de
l'apprentissage à la
maison
< <https://www.veterans.gc.ca/fra/remembrance/battles-and-stages/liberation-of-netherlands/home-learning-corner>> pour appuyer les parents
et les jeunes

avec des activités éducatives intéressantes qui peuvent être faites de la maison. Conçues pour divers groupes d'âges, nos activités aident à mieux comprendre comment les soldats de notre pays ont contribué à libérer le peuple néerlandais lors de la Seconde Guerre mondiale. Les jeunes sont aussi encouragés à participer au « < <https://www.veterans.gc.ca/fra/remembrance/commemorative-events/netherlands-ve-day>> Blitz de tulipes » en créant des projets artistiques mettant en vedette des tulipes et à les afficher à la fenêtre ou dans les médias sociaux, pour que voisins et amis puissent voir (en respectant les consignes de distanciation sécuritaire) de quelle manière ils se souviennent de la libération des Pays-Bas ce printemps.

www.veterans.gc.ca/fra/remembrance/battles-and-stages/liberation-of-netherlands/home-learning-corner

< <http://www.veterans.gc.ca/fra/remembrance/battles-and-stages/liberation-of-netherlands/home-learning-corner>>

Voici d'autres façons pour que les écoles, les éducateurs et les élèves puissent démontrer que nous nous souvenons :

- * Prendre contact de manière virtuelle avec des vétérans de votre communauté ou à travers le pays en écrivant une carte postale électronique < <https://www.veterans.gc.ca/fra/remembrance/commemorative-events/netherlands-ve-day/virtual-postcards>> et en la partageant en ligne;
- * Explorer les histoires de ceux qui ont aidé à libérer le peuple néerlandais en écoutant des balados < <https://www.veterans.gc.ca/fra/remembrance/commemorative-events/netherlands-ve-day/podcast>> d'Anciens Combattants Canada, en visionnant des entrevues avec des vétérans < <https://www.veterans.gc.ca/fra/remembrance/people-and-stories/heroes-remember/netherlands>> ou en lisant des récits sur la page « Visages

de la liberté

< <https://www.veterans.gc.ca/fra/remembrance/history/faces-of-freedom>>
»;

* Se joindre à la conversation sur les médias sociaux et utiliser les mots-clics #LeCanadasesouvient, #PaysBas75, #JourVE75, et #TulipesAlaMaison.

Grâce à une initiative proposée par l'ambassade du Royaume des Pays-Bas, avec l'appui de nombreux partenaires canadiens, dont le Festival canadien des tulipes, près de 1 100 écoles à travers le pays ont planté des bulbes de tulipes « Libération75 » l'automne dernier. Ces jolies fleurs évoquant le souvenir fleuriront ce printemps, en hommage aux braves Canadiens qui ont libéré les Pays-Bas. Les jeunes peuvent en apprendre davantage en explorant le guide éducatif produit pour l'occasion.

<https://liberation75.ca/education/?lang=fr>

En ce 75e anniversaire du jour de la Victoire en Europe et de la fin de la Seconde Guerre mondiale en Europe, Moments Déterminants Canada est honoré de collaborer avec le Centre Juno Beach et l'Association canadienne de recherche et de cartographie (fr.project44.ca) pour offrir aux enseignants de partout au pays des ressources éducationnelles gratuites qui sauront aider les élèves à utiliser la pensée critique pour explorer le sujet de la commémoration et de l'héritage de cet événement déterminant pour le Canada.

Des outils de cartographie numériques, des plans de leçons basés sur la recherche, des ressources narratives et un vaste matériel supplémentaire sont offerts aux élèves afin de les stimuler à explorer et à commémorer les histoires de Canadiens ayant participé à la « campagne de la Victoire », de l'automne 1944 au printemps 1945. Les élèves pourront approfondir leur compréhension du JourVE75 et son impact sur les gens (et le

pays) qui ont
vécu ces événements.

<https://definingmomentscanada.ca/fr/>

Le Musée de l'aviation et de l'espace du Canada est heureux de
présenter la
série Échos, une collection d'outils pédagogiques gratuits visant
à faire
découvrir aux élèves de puissants récits sur la Seconde Guerre
mondiale.

Créée par des étudiants canadiens en cinéma, en partenariat
avec des
cinéastes professionnels et le personnel du musée, cette série
documentaire
originale présente des témoignages captivants de la Seconde
Guerre mondiale
du point de vue de l'aviation. Explorez la série Échos
aujourd'hui!

<https://ingeniumcanada.org/aviation/educatif/serie-echos.php>

Si vous désirez ne plus faire partie de notre liste d'envoi par
courriel,
veuillez nous répondre en inscrivant 'Désabonner' dans le titre
de votre
message.

Nous vous remercions d'aider à garder vivante la flamme du
Souvenir chez
nos jeunes!

L'équipe d'apprentissage d'Anciens Combattants Canada
Veuillez lire l'énoncé de confidentialité à la fin de ce message.

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are
committed to protecting your personal information. The
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Council PC
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learning resources.

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or incomplete information, you may not receive your requested
information.

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a third party service provider for the sole purpose of

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Fwd: Mental Health Week and update on Government of Canada and Veterans Affairs Canada Supports during COVID19 / Semaine de la santé mentale et mise à jour sur le soutien du gouvernement du Canada et d'Anciens Combattants Canada pendant COVID19

Dear Stakeholder and Advisory Group members,

The Government of Canada (GOC) continues to support Canadians, at risk populations, businesses, non-profits and others during the COVID-19 pandemic.

In doing so, the GOC has introduced a range of financial relief programs to assist Canadians as well as non-profits and charity organizations impacted by this pandemic. Information on Canada's COVID-19 Economic Response Plan is available [here](#). However, we would like to highlight of the following benefits that may be applicable to you or your organization:

Emergency Community Support Fund: Community organizations will be able to apply for funds through these national partners or their local entities. Our partners and their networks are working as quickly as possible to set up application processes. Community organizations should check the websites of the [United Way Centraide Canada](#), the [Canadian Red Cross](#) and [Community Foundations of Canada](#) to learn more about how and when they will be able to apply.

Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy: As a Canadian employer whose business has been affected by COVID-19, you may be eligible for a subsidy of 75% of employee wages for up to 12 weeks, retroactive from March 15, 2020, to June 6, 2020.

Canada Emergency Business Account (CEBA): To ensure that small businesses have access to the capital they need to see them through the current challenges, the new CEBA has been implemented by eligible financial institutions in cooperation with Export Development Canada (EDC).

Canada Emergency Commercial Rent Assistance (CECRA): Under a rent forgiveness agreement, which includes a moratorium on eviction, the mortgaged commercial property owner would reduce the small business tenant's monthly rent by at least 75 %. The tenant would be responsible for covering 25 %, the property owner 25 %, while the federal government and provinces would share the remaining 50 %.

Deferral of filing – non-profits: The Canada Revenue Agency website provides information on income tax filing and payment deadlines in response to COVID-19.

Deferral of filing – registered charities: Information specific to income tax filing as a registered charity is provided on the Canada Revenue Agency website.

In addition, during this exceptional time, employees at Veterans Affairs Canada (VAC) are using the Veterans Emergency Fund to the full extent possible to support Veterans' safety and well-being. The fund helps us react quickly to address urgent needs of Veterans and their families. Given the exceptional circumstances of this pandemic, VAC is being more flexible and permitting payments of up to \$10,000. We invite you to visit [our website](#) to learn more about the Veterans Emergency Fund.

Mental Health

As part of Mental Health Week, the Honourable Harjit S. Sajjan, Minister of National Defence, and I issued the following statement:

[Minister of National Defence and Minister of Veterans Affairs Canada mark Mental Health Week.](#)

For more information on mental health services offered by VAC, please visit <https://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/health-support/mental-health-and-wellness>

A number of resources are listed below:

VAC Assistance Service (1-800-268-7708) is a free, 24/7 mental health resource that connects you to psychological support and counselling. You do not have to be receiving VAC benefits to use this service.

Operational Stress Injury Social Support (OSISS) is using alternative ways to continue to support those with an operational stress injury (OSI) and their families. For those finding these times particularly challenging or simply wanting to reach out and chat with a peer, you can call 1-800-883-6094 or email OSISS-SSBSO@forces.gc.ca

Providers may be offering alternate options, such as telehealth supports, for physiotherapy or other treatments. Always check with your health provider to see which treatment options are available to you and what may be covered. If you need assistance in finding local supports, please call us at 1-866-522-2122 or secure message us on My VAC Account.

Veteran Family Program - Military Family Resource Centres are offering services virtually. The [Veteran Family Program](#) is still available to medically releasing CAF members and medically released Veterans and their families to support them as they make the transition to post-service life.

[The Veterans Affairs Canada website](#) and social media channels continue to be updated with the latest information, and I encourage you to visit and to check back often.

Thank you for all the work you and your organization are doing to help Veterans during this difficult time.

Stay healthy and safe,

The Honourable Lawrence MacAulay, P.C., M.P.

Minister of Veterans Affairs and Associate Minister of National Defence

Chers membres de groupes consultatifs et d'intervenants,

Le gouvernement du Canada (GC) continue à soutenir les Canadiens, les populations à risque, les entreprises, les organismes sans but lucratif et d'autres pendant la pandémie de COVID-19. À cette fin, le GC a mis en place une série de programmes de soutien financier destinés à aider les Canadiens ainsi que les organismes sans but lucratif et de bienfaisance qui sont touchés par cette pandémie. Vous trouverez [ici](#) des renseignements sur le Plan d'intervention du Canada pour répondre à la COVID-19. Nous souhaitons toutefois attirer votre attention sur les avantages suivants qui pourraient s'appliquer à vous ou à votre organisation.

Fonds de soutien communautaire d'urgence: Les organismes communautaires pourront demander des fonds par l'entremise de ces partenaires nationaux ou de leurs entités locales. Nos partenaires et leurs réseaux travaillent à mettre en place des processus de demande le plus rapidement possible. Les organismes communautaires sont invités à consulter les sites Web de [Centraide United Way Canada](#), de la [Société canadienne de la Croix-Rouge](#) et de [Fondations communautaires du Canada](#) pour en apprendre davantage sur la façon et le moment de présenter une demande.

Subvention salariale d'urgence du Canada : Si vous êtes un employeur canadien dont l'entreprise a été touchée par la COVID-19, vous pourriez être admissible à une subvention de 75 % des salaires de vos employés pour une période allant jusqu'à 12 semaines, et ce, rétroactivement du 15 mars 2020 au 6 juin 2020.

Compte d'urgence pour les entreprises canadiennes (CUEC): Afin de s'assurer que les petites entreprises ont accès aux capitaux dont elles ont besoin pour relever les défis actuels, le nouveau CUEC a été mis en œuvre par les institutions financières admissibles en collaboration avec Exportation et développement Canada (EDC).

Aide d'urgence du Canada pour le loyer commercial (AUCLC) : Aux termes d'une entente de remise de loyer qui prévoit un moratoire sur l'expulsion, le propriétaire d'un immeuble commercial hypothéqué réduirait d'au moins 75 % le loyer mensuel payable par la petite entreprise en location. Le locataire et le propriétaire devraient couvrir chacun 25 % du loyer, tandis que le gouvernement fédéral et les provinces se partageraient les 50 % restants.

Report des délais de production des déclarations – organismes sans but lucratif : Le site Web de l'Agence du revenu du Canada fournit des renseignements sur les délais de production des déclarations d'impôt sur le revenu et de paiement en réponse à la COVID-19.

Report des délais de production des déclarations – organismes de bienfaisance enregistrés : Le site Web de l'Agence du revenu du Canada fournit des renseignements particuliers concernant les déclarations d'impôt sur le revenu pour les organismes de bienfaisance enregistrés.

Par ailleurs, pendant cette période exceptionnelle, les employés d'Anciens Combattants Canada (ACC) utilisent le Fonds d'urgence pour les vétérans dans toute la mesure du possible afin de soutenir la sécurité et le bien-être des vétérans. Ce fonds nous aide à réagir rapidement pour répondre aux besoins urgents des vétérans et de leur famille. Compte tenu des circonstances exceptionnelles de cette pandémie, ACC fait preuve de plus de souplesse et autorise des paiements pouvant atteindre 10 000 \$. Nous vous invitons à visiter notre [site Web](#) pour en savoir plus sur le Fonds d'urgence pour les vétérans.

Santé mentale

Dans le cadre de la Semaine de la santé mentale, l'honorable Harjit S. Sajjan, ministre de la Défense nationale, a fait la déclaration suivante :

[Le ministre de la Défense nationale et le ministre des Anciens Combattants soulignent la Semaine de la santé mentale](#)

Pour en savoir plus sur les services de santé mentale offerts par ACC, veuillez consulter le site <https://www.veterans.gc.ca/fra/health-support/mental-health-and-wellness>

Vous trouverez ci-dessous une liste de ressources :

Le Service d'aide d'ACC (1-800-268-7708) est une ressource gratuite en matière de santé mentale, disponible 24 heures sur 24 et 7 jours sur 7, qui vous permet d'avoir accès à du soutien psychologique et à du counseling. Vous n'êtes pas tenus de recevoir des prestations d'ACC pour utiliser ce service.

Le Soutien social; blessures de stress opérationnel (SSBSO) offre d'autres moyens pour continuer à soutenir les personnes atteintes d'un traumatisme lié au stress opérationnel (TSO) et leur famille. Les personnes qui trouvent ces moments particulièrement difficiles ou qui veulent simplement prendre contact et discuter avec un pair peuvent composer le 1-800-883-6094 ou envoyer un courriel à OSISS-SSBSO@forces.gc.ca.

Les fournisseurs de services peuvent offrir d'autres options, comme la télésanté, en appui à la physiothérapie ou à d'autres traitements. Vérifiez toujours auprès de votre fournisseur de soins de santé quelles sont les options de traitement dont vous pouvez bénéficier et qui peuvent être remboursées. Si vous avez besoin d'aide pour trouver des services de soutien locaux, veuillez nous appeler au 1-866-522-2022 ou nous envoyer un message sécurisé dans Mon dossier ACC.

Programme pour les familles des vétérans – Les centres de ressources pour les familles des militaires au Canada offrent des services virtuellement. Le [Programme pour les familles des vétérans](#) continue d'être offert aux membres des FAC en voie de libération pour des raisons médicales, aux vétérans libérés pour des raisons médicales et à leur famille afin d'appuyer leur transition vers la vie après le service militaire.

[Le site Web d'Anciens Combattants Canada](#) et les plateformes de médias sociaux continuent d'être mis à jour pour fournir les renseignements les plus récents. Je vous encourage à les consulter fréquemment.

Je vous remercie pour tout le travail que vous et votre organisation accomplissez afin d'aider les vétérans durant cette période difficile.

Restez en santé et en sécurité,

L'honorable Lawrence MacAulay, C. P., député

Ministre des Anciens Combattants et ministre associé de la Défense nationale

Canada Emergency Response Benefit

The federal government has announced a new measure to help workers who have been directly impacted by the coronavirus (COVID-19). What is it, and how does it affect you?

A new employment insurance benefit

The Canada Emergency Response Benefit (CERB) is a new taxable benefit that will provide \$2,000 a month for up to four months for workers who lose their income as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. It replaces the Emergency Care Benefit and Emergency Support Benefit announced in the [Economic Response Plan](#).

Who is eligible?

You are eligible for the CERB if you are:

- a worker who must stop working due to COVID-19 and who does not have access to paid leave or other income support;
- a worker who is sick, quarantined, or taking care of someone who is sick with COVID-19;
- a working parent who must stay home without pay to care for children who are sick or need additional care because of school and daycare closures;
- a worker who still has their employment but is not being paid because there is currently not enough work, and whose employer asked them not to come to work;
- a wage earner or a self-employed individual, including a contract worker, who would not otherwise be eligible for employment insurance.

Update: On April 15th the federal government announced the following changes:

- Individuals are now allowed to earn up to \$1,000 per month while collecting the CERB.
- The CERB is extended to seasonal workers who have exhausted their EI regular benefits and are unable to undertake their regular seasonal work because of COVID-19.
- The CERB is extended to workers who have recently exhausted their EI regular benefits and are unable to find a job because of COVID-19.

For 2019, or within the 12 months preceding your application, you must have earned at least \$5,000 in employment, self-employment, employment insurance (EI) or parental benefits. You must also be unemployed for at least 14 consecutive days within the four-week period in respect of which you apply for the benefit. During this four-week period, you will not be eligible

for the benefit if you received income such as employment, self-employment, EI or parental benefits.

The benefit will not be paid to individuals who resign from their job voluntarily.

How much can you receive and for how long?

As mentioned above, the benefit amount will be \$2,000 per month, or \$500 per week. It will be paid for up to four months. The amounts received will be taxable for the 2020 tax year.

When and where can you apply?

The application process for the CERB will open in early April. The deadline to apply for this benefit is December 2, 2020. You can apply for the benefit through:

- the CRA's [My Account](#) secure portal
- the [My Service Canada Account](#) secure portal

Payments for the CERB will be made within 10 days of submitting the application.

For more information on the CERB, and the Economic Response Plan, please consult the link below:

https://www.canada.ca/en/department-finance/economic-response-plan/covid19-individuals.html#sick_quarantined_self_isolation_new_canada_emergency_response_benefit

Want to learn more? Connect with us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) for news and updates on the 2019 tax return and UFile online tax software. Visit [Tax & U](#) to get accurate answers to all your questions about your 2019 tax return

IN THE MEDIA

[War against Nazis ended 75 years ago this week](#)

The Sudbury Star

This week includes two major anniversaries of the end of the Second World War. May 5 was the 75th anniversary of the liberation of Holland, an event that created an enduring bond between Canada and the Netherlands. This Friday, May 8 is VE Day — Victory in Europe Day — the 75th anniversary of

Nazi Germany's unconditional surrender. On that day in 1945, there was a ticker-tape parade in Toronto and partying in the streets from coast to coast. [READ MORE](#)

Le Canada résolu à participer à RIMPAC 2020 malgré la pandémie

45e Nord

Les Forces armées canadiennes (FAC) demeurent résolues à participer de façon significative à l'exercice Rim of the Pacific 2020 (RIMPAC) afin de maximiser les possibilités de formation uniques fournies par cet exercice biennal et renforcer leurs relations avec leurs alliés et partenaires dans la région du Pacifique, confirme la Défense nationale dans un courriel envoyé à 45eNord.ca. [LIRE PLUS](#)

RMC remembers former cadets lost in Canadian military helicopter crash

Global News

Four of the six Canadian Armed Forces members killed when a Canadian military helicopter crashed off the coast of Greece were graduates of the Royal Military College in Kingston, ON. Now, the college and those who knew the former RMC cadets during their time in Kingston are mourning in the wake of at least one confirmed death. [READ MORE](#)

Écrasement d'un hélicoptère canadien : une cérémonie militaire se prépare

Radio-Canada

Les Forces armées canadiennes prévoient organiser une cérémonie d'adieu mercredi pour rendre hommage aux six membres du personnel décédés dans l'écrasement d'un hélicoptère au large des côtes de la Grèce, même si cinq d'entre eux sont toujours portés disparus. La cérémonie officielle qui aura lieu à la Base des Forces canadiennes de Trenton, en Ontario, réunira des proches et des membres des familles des six victimes qui étaient à bord de l'hélicoptère CH-148 Cyclone qui s'est écrasé en mer Ionienne pendant un exercice le 29 avril. [LIRE PLUS](#)

The Canadian Forces Snowbirds are flying across Canada this week

Daily Hive

If you see nine jets soaring in the skies trailing white smoke this week, don't be alarmed: It's just the Canadian Forces (CF) Snowbirds. The air demonstration squadron will be taking to the skies this week, crossing Canada, and starting with a series of flyovers in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. The flights are part of a mission dubbed Operation INSPIRATION, which salutes those doing their part to fight the spread of COVID-19 in Canada. [READ MORE](#)

RMC to not renew some instructors' contracts as classes to resume online in the fall

Kingston Whig-Standard

The majority of Royal Military College's sessional instructors' contracts will not be renewed this September as the university prepares to deliver the fall semester remotely amidst the COVID-19 pandemic. "We are taking an 'all hands on deck' approach with our indeterminate faculty, and many of

our professors have deferred their sabbatical leave so they can help to minimize the staffing actions required. We have also had faculty members offering to delay their retirement,” RMC principal Harry Kowal wrote to the academic wing earlier this month. [READ MORE](#)

Combien de soldats sont déployés dans les CHSLD?

Le Journal de Montréal

Québec et Ottawa ne s'entendent pas sur le nombre de soldats qui sont présentement déployés dans les CHSLD de la province pour apporter leur aide dans les établissements où le personnel est dépassé par la pandémie. Du côté du Québec, le premier ministre François Legault commence à s'impatienter face à la lenteur du déploiement, lui qui a réclamé l'intervention de 1000 soldats le 22 avril dernier. Lundi, il a soutenu que seulement 350 militaires sont présentement à pied d'œuvre dans les CHSLD du Grand Montréal. [LIRE PLUS](#)

Neglected and misunderstood: Senior Green Beret speaks out about the SF Combat Diver capability

SOFREP

Editor's note: SOFREP received this letter from a Special Forces Combat Diver who is currently serving in a senior position in a dive locker. In it, he describes the alarming issues and conditions that plague the Combat Diver capability and jeopardize the operational readiness of dive teams. The text was slightly redacted to ensure Operational Security. [READ MORE](#)