

## Media Report 01 March 2024

This weeks media local Media Articles and An illness or injury can have an impact on your ability to adjust to life after service. We all need healthcare services. The Treatment benefits program provides coverage for a variety of benefits and services to help you get—and stay healthy'

### Long-term care

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.

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

Yukon

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.

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.

Guided support – Sometimes life situations can be challenging. When the challenge is too much to handle independently, Guided Support services can help you and your family.

#### Frequently asked questions

What is the maximum a Veteran must pay toward their long-term care accommodation costs?  
Effective 1 October 2022, the maximum accommodation and meals monthly amount paid by a Veteran is \$1,190.63. 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.

## IN THE MEDIA

### The Vimy Oak Project — WE MADE IT!

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Thanks to the generous contributions of many military engineers from across our country, and the Canadian Military Engineers Association, the Engineer Oak for the Vimy Foundation Centennial Park in France is fully funded. The small team spearheading this effort appreciates your contributions. [Read More](#)

### Canada Undefended: Our military readiness is dangerously insufficient. Here's how to fix it

National Post

Writes Lt. Gen. (ret'd) Michel Maisonneuve: "Much as the rest of Canada, the Canadian Armed Forces are broken down. The chief of defence staff, Gen. Wayne Eyre, is 'concerned about our overall readiness.' This spoken by a man used to doing the best he can with the little he is given; what we called in my time in the army a 'can-do' attitude." [Read More](#)

### Sixtieth Anniversary of the Canadian Peacekeeping Operation in Cyprus

CMEA

The Government of Canada invites you to the commemorative ceremony marking the 60th anniversary of the Canadian Peacekeeping Operation in Cyprus.

Wednesday, 13 March 2024 at 11 h

The Peacekeeping Monument

The Reconciliation

Sussex Drive and St. Patrick Street

Ottawa, ON

RSVP [Read More](#)

### Russia ups cash reward for capturing Estonian ground robot in Ukraine

Defense News

A Russian defense industry think tank has reportedly upped a cash reward for the capture of an Estonian-made unmanned ground vehicle operating in Ukraine, as ground robots are becoming prized assets on the battlefield. The Moscow-based Center for Analysis of Strategies and Technologies (CAST) first announced in 2022 that a reward of one million rubles, or roughly \$11,000, would be given to any military personnel seizing a THeMIS

vehicle, made by Edge Group subsidiary Milrem Robotics, in relatively intact condition. [Read More](#)

## Canadians feel the heat during Phoenix Sunrise

Air Education and Training Command

The 607th Air Control Squadron hosted Phoenix Sunrise, a bilateral exercise between members of the Royal Canadian Air Force and U.S. Air Force, Jan. 19-Feb. 17, 2024, at Luke Air Force Base, Arizona. Thirty-three airmen assigned to the 42 Radar Squadron, based out of 4 Wing, Canadian Forces Base, Cold Lake, Alberta, Canada, participated in the exercise, which allowed them to validate the mobility and deployment capabilities of the RCAF's new TPS-77 radar system. [Read More](#)

## Cult of the drone: UAVs have changed the face of war in Ukraine — but not outcomes

Military.com

Unmanned aerial vehicles, or drones, have been central to the war in Ukraine. Some analysts claim that drones have reshaped war, yielding not just tactical-level effects, but shaping operational and strategic outcomes as well. [Read More](#)

## Nephew of fallen Second World War airman found in Winnipeg

CTV News

The family of a Manitoba servicemen who died in combat during the Second World War has been found after a Netherlands group turned to a local Winnipegger for help. The group hoped to commemorate Flight Sergeant John Day White in a ceremony honouring fallen Second World War soldiers but struggled to track down relatives due to John's common last name. John, who was from Hartney, Man., died in 1943 when his plane was shot down. [Read More](#)

## Base/Wing — Newspaper

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