

Media Report 23 FEB 2024

This weeks media reports will cover and answer great questions veterans are still asking and 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'

Invitation - 60th anniversary of the Canadian Peacekeeping Operation in Cyprus / 60e anniversaire de l'opération Canadien de maintien de la paix à Chypre

(Le français suit)

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 11:00
The Peacekeeping Monument
The Reconciliation
Sussex Drive and St. Patrick Street
Ottawa, ON

RSVP

Confirm your presence by email: commemoration-rsvp-commemoration@veterans.gc.ca

Le gouvernement du Canada vous convie à la cérémonie commémorative marquant le **60e anniversaire de l'opération Canadien de maintien de la paix à Chypre.**

Le mercredi 13 mars 2024, 11h00
Le Monument au maintien de la paix
La Réconciliation
Promenade Sussex et rue Saint-Patrick

Ottawa (Ontario)

RSVP

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**10th anniversary of the end of Canada's mission to Afghanistan /
10e anniversaire de la fin de la mission Canadienne en Afghanistan**

Bonjour / Hello

Le ministère des Anciens Combattants vous convient à une cérémonie marquant le 10^e anniversaire de la fin de la mission canadienne en Afghanistan.

La cérémonie a lieu au Monument commémoratif de guerre du Canada le **dimanche 10 mars à 11 h**. Vous trouverez ci-joint votre invitation officielle.

Merci de confirmer votre présence avant le 5 mars - Commemoration-rsvp-commemoration@veterans.gc.ca

Veterans Affairs Canada cordially invites you a ceremony marking the 10th anniversary of the end of Canada's mission to Afghanistan.

This ceremony is held at the Canadian War Memorial on **Sunday, March 10 at 11:00**. Attached you will find your formal invitation.

Please confirm your attendance by March 5 - Commemoration-rsvp-commemoration@veterans.gc.ca

[CTV News Kitchener, Video of New home for Portraits of Honour](https://kitchener.ctvnews.ca/video?clipId=2859983)

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Canadian Institute for Health Information.

- <https://www.ontario.ca/page/paying-long-term-care> Daily and Monthly Rates.

Long-stay Basic	\$65.32	\$1,986.82
Long-stay Semi-private	\$78.75	\$2,395.32
Long-stay Private	\$93.32	\$2,838.49
Short-stay	\$42.28	N/A

Ontario Health Insurance Program (OHIP)

Your choices Include: **Private (one bed per room, private bathroom), \$350 per day** (updated July 2022) **Semi-Private** (two beds per room, shared bathroom for two patients), \$300 per day (updated July 2022) **Standard Ward** (four beds per room, two shared bathrooms for four patients).

With Ontario's senior population about to spike, report predicts big demand for home care

Number of people age 75+ in the province forecast to rise by 350,000 in next 5 years <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/ontario-seniors-aging-population-home-care-demand-1.7118076>

The report (released Monday 19 Feb, includes demographic projections that suggest both the over-65 and over-75 populations will rise at notably faster annual rates in Ontario in the next five years than they will at any time in the next two decades.

Combining that demographic trend with evidence showing Ontarians use more health-care resources as they age, the report says the province will need to see a substantial increase in personal support workers (PSWs) and other home-care staff just to maintain current levels of service.

The report's projections that Ontario's population of seniors will grow by 650,000 in just five years — a 23 per cent increase, while the population of people age 75 and up will grow by 350,000 in the same time frame — a 27 per cent increase.

"We've been ringing the alarm bell about the coming tsunami and here it is in black and white," VanderBent said. "The senior tsunami is not something that's happening 10 or 15 years from now, it's happening today."

IN THE MEDIA

US Army hunts for explosives to meet increased munitions output goals

Defense News

As the U.S. Army seeks to drastically ramp up its 155mm munitions production to 100,000 a month by the end of 2025, the biggest concern for the service's acquisition chief is being able to secure enough explosives to fill them. [Read More](#)

Ukrainian general wants Canada's 83,000 decommissioned rockets

Global News

A Ukrainian military leader is asking Canada to hand over tens of thousands of rockets that are awaiting demolition at a Saskatchewan military base. In an exclusive interview with Global News, Lieutenant General Kyrlo Budanov urged the government to let Ukraine have the decommissioned CRV7 rockets. [Read More](#)

Fusing AI with national defence: Department of National Defence finalizing AI strategy

McMillan

Canada's military is on the verge of adopting an artificial intelligence strategy, as the Department of National Defence makes finishing touches on its first such strategy. In a statement in late 2023, Defence Minister Bill Blair noted that the strategy will recognize the importance of AI in Canadian military development and procedure, outline measures to secure interoperability with key allies, and ensure that expansion of AI in the military domain is done responsibly. [Read More](#)

Military was warned some Cyclone helicopter blades are defective, could rip apart in flight

CBC

Air force technicians are being forced to perform more frequent inspections of Canada's trouble-prone CH-148 Cyclone helicopters after the U.S. manufacturer found a defect related to the main rotor blades, says an internal report. [Read More](#)

[Crise du logement : des militaires aux portes de l'itinérance](#)

radio-canada

La crise du logement affecte durement les militaires canadiens. Certains vivent dans leur véhicule ou font du « couch surfing » et d'autres font appel aux banques alimentaires. L'ombudsman des Forces armées canadiennes tire la sonnette d'alarme : plusieurs sont à risque d'itinérance. [Lire Plus](#)

[Canada's Black soldiers honoured in exhibit](#)

CTV News

An exhibit honouring Black Canadian soldiers is on display now — throughout February, too — at The Military Museums in Calgary. [Watch Video](#)

[Military police have have power over civilians on military bases](#)

Castanet

The military police have peace officer status to deal with Canadian Forces personnel at all times and all places. In addition, they have jurisdiction over all civilians when the civilian is on a "Defence establishment." A Defence establishment is any area under the control of the Minister of Defence. [Read More](#)

Préoccupation mondiale » : les enjeux sont élevés pour le Canada de jouer un rôle dans l'élargissement du conflit américano-iranien, selon les experts

CTV News

Le Canada jouera probablement un rôle en soutenant les États-Unis dans leurs attaques de représailles contre les mandataires iraniens en Syrie et en Irak à la suite d'une frappe meurtrière de drone contre les troupes américaines le week-end dernier en Jordanie, affirment certains analystes canadiens. [Lire Plus](#)

Dogs helping detect radiation in Ukraine war

BBC

Military dogs in Ukraine are being kitted up with radiation detection technology created in County Durham. Sedgefield-based Kromek has worked with the American government to develop handheld radar devices which a team of canines wear while scoping out land. [Read More](#)

Canadian military shows training for Ukrainian sappers

Ukrinform

The Armed Forces of Canada showed how their instructors train Ukrainian defenders to apply demining and engineering skills on the battlefield. That's according to the press service of the UNIFIER training mission. [Read More](#)

Some Petawawa soldiers claiming mental issues to boost payout, military assessment warns

Ottawa Citizen

Some soldiers at the military base in Petawawa have been claiming they are dealing with mental and other health issues so as to increase their financial payouts from the federal government, Canadian Forces health specialists have warned. A team examining the

operation of the mental health clinic at the base noted "that increasing numbers of members are presenting with compensation and medical release in mind." [Read More](#)

[Les efforts canadiens pour raviver le lien militaire avec Pékin achoppent sur Taïwan](#)

L'actualite

L'ambassadeur de Chine au Canada a déclaré que les efforts d'Ottawa pour rétablir les communications militaires normales seraient freinés si la Marine canadienne déployait un autre navire dans le détroit de Taïwan. «Nous voulons le dialogue, mais [ce dialogue] est vraiment basé sur le principe du respect mutuel», a déclaré Cong Peiwu à La Presse Canadienne, lors d'une récente entrevue. [Lire Plus](#)

[US Army hunts for explosives to meet increased munitions output goals](#)

Defense News

As the U.S. Army seeks to drastically ramp up its 155mm munitions production to 100,000 a month by the end of 2025, the biggest concern for the service's acquisition chief is being able to secure enough explosives to fill them. Prior to the war in Ukraine, the U.S. could build about 14,400 of the artillery shells per month. [Read More](#)

[Army struggles to standardize innovation without stifling it](#)

Army Times

For Capt. Chris Aliperti, January's "hackathon" — an annual innovation collaboration between the 3rd Infantry Division and Georgia Tech — felt like coming home. The young infantry officer, whose Ranger tab and Expert Infantry Badge are supplemented by his former NASA internship and biomedical engineering master's degree from Johns Hopkins, came up in the Georgia-based division. [Read More](#)

[Ukrainian sappers neutralized more than 2,200 explosives in past week](#)

Ukrinform

In the past week, demining units of the Ukrainian Defense Ministry's State Special Transport Service have found and disposed 2,214 explosive objects in four regions. The State Special Transport Service said this in a post on its Facebook page, Ukrinform reports. In particular, 1,152 explosive objects were neutralized in the Kharkiv region, 764 explosives in the Kherson region, 178 explosives in the Mykolaiv region, and 120 explosives in the Zaporizhzhia region. [Read More](#)

[80e anniversaire du D-Day : 2 959 bougies en hommage aux Canadiens à Cintheaux en juin](#)

ouest france

Le programme des cérémonies organisées au cimetière militaire canadien de Cintheaux (Calvados) dans le cadre du 80e anniversaire du D-Day, est désormais connu. « Les tombes des 2 959 soldats canadiens qui reposent à la nécropole seront illuminées par des bougies électriques qui seront déposées, les 4 et 5 juin, par des écoliers et des collégiens, présente Marcel Jaeger, maire de Cintheaux, et président du Comité Juno Canada-Normandie. [Lire Plus](#)

[NY Army Guard general does a tour with Canadian military](#)

U.S. Army

During his 36-year career, New York Army National Guard Major General Michel Natali has been stationed in Germany and Fort Drum and later deployed to Haiti, Somalia, and Iraq. Last year, he added Ottawa, the capital of Canada, to the list of places he's served. [Read More](#)

[VA to ease benefits rules for vets exposed to Agent Orange in the US](#)

Military Times

Thousands of veterans exposed to Agent Orange while serving in the United States will for the first time be eligible for fast-track disability benefits under plans unveiled by the Department of Veterans Affairs. The move represents another major expansion of toxic exposure benefits for veterans, this time for individuals suffering from illnesses dating back to the Vietnam War era. [Read More](#)

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