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Soldiers' Aid Commission



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OUR MISSION

The Soldiers' Aid Commission provides financial assistance to Ontario's eligible veterans and their families in financial need. The commission has a long storied history of supporting Ontario's vulnerable Veterans dating back to 1915. That is over 108 years of assistance! The commission is looking forward to continuing this legacy for many more years to come.



Soldiers' Aid Commission: Quick Overview

- ❑ Through the decades, the commission has continuously supported Ontario's Veterans and their families. Following the Second World War and the Korean War, the commission expanded to provide supports and services to these returning Veterans and their families.
- ❑ The new *Soldiers' Aid Commission Act, 2020* has expanded eligibility for financial assistance to include all eligible Ontario Veterans and their eligible family members regardless of where and when the Veteran served.
- ❑ The Commission receives its funding and support from Ontario's Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services.
- ❑ The role of the Commission is to work with the Royal Canadian Legion and Veterans Affairs Canada to help applicants.
- ❑ Commissioners volunteer their time to help support Ontario's most vulnerable Veterans.
- ❑ For more information on the Commission please visit www.ontario.ca/soldiersaid



Who Can Apply to SAC?

Canadian Armed Forces Veteran

Spouse of a Veteran, including the surviving spouse of a deceased Veteran

Dependent child of Veteran or spouse who is financially dependent including child of deceased Veteran or Veteran's spouse

Applicants must also reside in Ontario and be in financial need



Financial Assistance Program

How can the Soldiers' Aid Commission help Veterans and their families in need?

The commission may provide up to \$2,000 over a 12-month period per household.

Families where spouses are both Veterans, each Veteran may receive \$2,000 over a 12-month period.

The commission supplements funding offered by the Royal Canadian Legion and Veterans Affairs Canada.

Successful applicants will receive a cheque from the Soldiers' Aid Commission upon application approval.



What Can SAC Help With?

Applicants must be in financial need and reside in the province of Ontario at the time of the application. Support is available for the following categories:

Home Supports:

**Roof Repairs - Home Modifications -
AC/Furnace - General Repairs**

Assistance in Securing Housing:

**First & Last Month Rent - Furnishings &
Essentials**

Health Supports:

**Mobility - Eyeglasses - Mental Health -
Hearing Aids - Dentures**

Personal Essential Items:

**Groceries - Toiletries - Bus Passes -
Clothing**

Employment Supports:

**Job Training - Job Certification - Work
Attire - Resume Writing**



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Value Added

Soldiers' Aid Commission funding can supplement benevolent programs offered by the Royal Canadian Legion



Flexibility

Soldiers' Aid Commission funding can assist on lower dollar requests to prevent the applicant waiting for approval on multiple funding requests



Responsive

applications are examined by SAC commissioners on a timely basis.
On approval cheques can be typically issued within 14 days



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RCL – Ontario Command

Applicants can apply for SAC funding through the Royal Canadian Legion Ontario Command.
888-207-0939 or email:
infor@on.legion.ca



Veterans Affairs Canada

Applicants can apply for SAC funding through Veterans Affairs Canada (VAC)
866-522-2122 or email:
vac.information.acc@canada.ca



SAC is responsive

A Soldiers' Aid Commission cover form will accompany the application for funding. Applications can be posted, sent via email to sac@Ontario.ca or facsimile for review





We Need Your Help

- ❑ SAC needs your help to assist with spreading word about the program to those Veterans and their families that would benefit from the program.
- ❑ Even if a Veteran may not directly need SAC, they may still know of someone else in their networks that could benefit from these supports.
- ❑ SAC can provide your organization with printed (posters and flyers) or digital materials for you to distribute within your networks.
- ❑ We can offer the same Veterans and their families that you already support with another opportunity at getting help with paying for a service or support that they need.
- ❑ We're happy to meet with your staff to provide more information or details on how the program operates.
- ❑ SAC can easily be reached through email at sac@ontario.ca or by phone 416-327-4674 to answer any questions or help someone apply.

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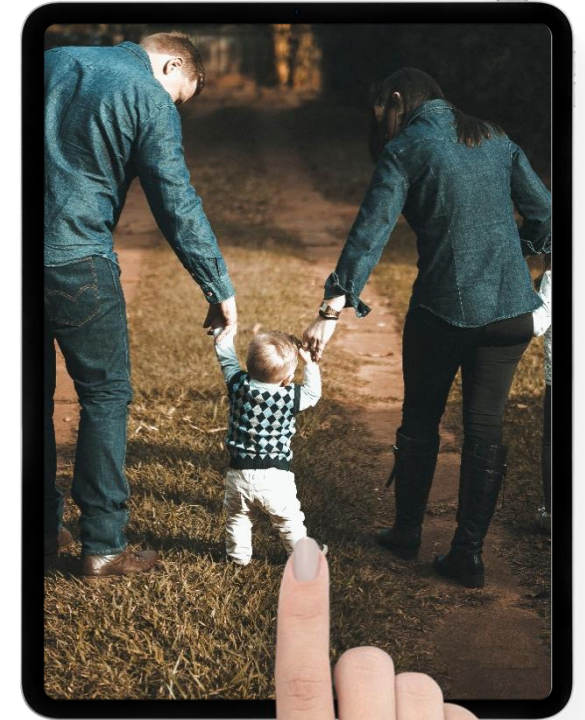
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