

Purposes and Objects

All Legion Members swear to support the Purposes and Objectives of The Royal Canadian Legion.

The purposes and objects of the Legion shall be:

- a. to constitute an association of those who have served or are serving in Her Majesty's armed forces or any auxiliary force and of others who support the purposes and objects of the Legion, which association shall be democratic and non-sectarian, and shall not be affiliated to or connected directly or indirectly with any political party or organization;
- b. to perpetuate the memory and deeds of the fallen and of those who die in the future;
- c. to promote and care for memorials to their valour and sacrifice, to provide suitable burial if required, to keep an annual memorial day, to preserve the records and memories of their service and to see that such services shall not be forgotten by the nation;
- d. to ensure that proper attention shall be paid to the welfare of all who have served and the welfare of their dependants and to see to the maintenance and comfort of those who require special treatment, particularly the disabled, sick, aged and needy, and to promote the welfare of their dependants;
- e. to educate public opinion regarding national duties to the dead, the disabled and others who have served, and their dependants and to foster loyalty among the public and education in the principles of patriotism, duty and unstinted public service;
- f. to advocate the maintenance by Canada of adequate and sufficient forces on land, sea and in the air for the defence of our country and for the discharge of those obligations which rest upon us by virtue of our partnership in the Commonwealth;

- g. to support suitable undertakings for the training, employment and settlement of ex-service personnel, and the education of their children;
- h. to assist comrades now serving, especially in connection with their return to civil life, and to safeguard the interests of their dependants whilst they are in service;
- i. to secure adequate pensions, allowances, grants and war gratuities for ex-service personnel, their dependants, and the widows, children and dependants of those who are dead, and to labour for honourable provision being made for those who, in declining years, are unable to support themselves;
- j. to cooperate with the Commonwealth and allied associations of similar aims and objects;
- k. to establish, organize and regulate provincial, district and local bodies, or commands and branches in convenient centers throughout Canada and elsewhere;
- l. to establish, organize and regulate provincial, district and local bodies of women for the purpose of assisting the Legion in seeing to the maintenance and comfort of disabled, sick, aged and needy ex-service personnel and their dependants, and to cooperate with the Legion in the promotion and carrying out of all aims and objects of the Legion, such a group to be known as a Ladies' Auxiliary of The Royal Canadian Legion;
- m. to raise and coordinate funds for assisting those mentioned in the preceding paragraphs, to provide for the administration of the Legion and its authorized Provincial and District Commands, branches and ladies' auxiliaries, and to see that these and other funds raised for such purposes are applied to those purposes and none other;
- n. to encourage, promote, engage in or support all forms of national, provincial, municipal or community service, or any charitable or philanthropic purpose.