

Invictus Games Legacy Program

True Patriot Love Foundation led and won the bid for the Vancouver Whistler Invictus Games 2025. These Games will be unique in being the first to include winter sports, while the innovative Legacy Program incorporates an extensive range of activities to ensure the Games' impact extends well beyond the inspirational event.

In awarding the Games to Canada, the Invictus Games Foundation commented that the bid, with its aim to support Indigenous reconciliation and engagement, was first to fully understand the true social impact of Invictus.

The Invictus Games Legacy Program was established by True Patriot Love Foundation to advance change in targeted areas of impact up to and beyond 2025. As Canada's national foundation for the military community, it is uniquely positioned to lead in the planning and delivery of the Invictus Games Legacy Program.

The Invictus Games Legacy Program focuses on:

- Advancing the health and well-being of Veterans, serving military personnel, and their families.
- Empowering the rehabilitation and recovery of Veterans and serving military personnel through the unifying power of sport and competition in adaptive winter sports format.
- Fostering meaningful reconciliation and engagement with Indigenous peoples and recognizing Indigenous Veterans and serving members.
- Championing innovation, accessibility, and sustainability, creating a ripple effect of positive change for generations to come.
- Maximizing opportunities to strengthen the connection between the Canadian Armed Forces and the wider population.

True Patriot Love has developed seven Legacy Programs that will have a lasting impact, not just in Canada, but around the world:

Program 1: Bringing Hybrid / Winter Sports Format to the Games

The innovative addition of six new adaptive winter sports – Alpine Skiing and Snowboarding, Biathlon, Nordic skiing, Skeleton, and Wheelchair Curling. This pioneering new format for Invictus represents an evolution of the Games, providing a broader path on the journey of rehabilitation and recovery.

Program 2: Increasing Access to Year-Round Adaptive Sports

Opportunities to access adaptive sports year-round, sharing global best practice, capitalizing on the physical and psychological benefits of regular recreational activity, and providing a foundation for future winter hybrid Games.

Program 3: Advancing Diversity and Inclusion Platforms

Advancing reconciliation and renewed relationships with Indigenous peoples. Raising awareness of Canada's Indigenous Armed Forces and Veterans, building on wider international platforms for diversity and inclusion.

Program 4: Investing In Adaptive Sports Research

Identifying which aspects of the winter hybrid Games have the greatest positive impact on all participants, consequently helping to inform the future of investment in adaptive sport.

Program 5: Developing and Implementing an Impact Strategy to Establish an Environmental, Social and Governance Framework

Establishing an Impact Strategy as a step forward for Invictus Games Foundation and providing a framework for future Games' commitment to Environment, Social and Governance practices. The aim is to leave a measurable legacy of impact, innovation, and community, in line with the Games' Legacy commitment to a more inclusive, diverse, and sustainable world.

Program 6: Championing Veterans' Transition and Employment Initiatives

Actively support the successful and sustainable transition into civilian employment, including Veteran volunteering, and work experience at the Games. Raise awareness of new employment areas for Veterans and improve transition experience with online support and mentoring.

Program 7: Supporting Mental Health – Friends and Family Role in Recovery

The opportunity for friends and family to use their experience and gain Psychological First Aid Certification.

Why the Vancouver Whistler Invictus Games 2025 Legacy Program Matters:

Beyond leveraging sport to inspire recovery and support rehabilitation, the Legacy Program will strengthen the bond between the Canadian Armed Forces and Canadians, fostering a greater understanding and respect for those who serve their country, and the families who support those in uniform.

Importantly, it will raise awareness of the contributions that Veterans can continue to make to their country through a successful and sustainable transition to civilian life and future employment.

Stewarding the Legacy Fund

Furthermore, True Patriot Love Foundation will manage a Legacy Fund of at least \$5 million, dedicated to supporting programs for military members, Veterans, and their families in British Columbia, across Canada, and internationally.