



CANADA'S FOUNDATION FOR
THE MILITARY COMMUNITY

True Patriot Love Foundation & The Invictus Games

True Patriot Love is Canada's national foundation for the military community. We advocate on behalf of those who serve and invests in programs to support the well-being of serving members of the Canadian Armed Forces, Veterans and their families.

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The Invictus Games is the world's premier sporting event for ill and injured Veterans and servicepeople, bringing together competitors and families from nearly 25 nations globally in a shared journey of recovery. The Games were first staged in London in 2014, led by The Royal Foundation and Prince Harry, now Duke of Sussex. To date there have been six iterations in the UK, USA, Canada, Australia, the Netherlands and Germany.

The Invictus Games is a powerful experience for both those who participate and those who watch. Competitors speak of their involvement being life changing and, on occasion, life saving.

In 2017 True Patriot Love secured the Invictus Games for Canada and led the highly successful event in Toronto. Over 539 competitors from 17 nations took part in 12 adaptive sports, including archery, powerlifting, indoor rowing and wheelchair basketball.

Founding Partner of Invictus Games Vancouver Whistler 2025

In 2019 True Patriot Love conceived of staging the first ever winter iteration of the Games. It is important that recovery programs can be undertaken across the whole calendar and finding opportunities for year-round participation can be hard for those in need. All previous Invictus Games have been staged in the summer and featured sports appropriate to that season.

Winter skills are important to our military and there is also strong academic evidence that the outdoors, a mountain environment and managed exposure to risk are particularly beneficial to both physical and psychological recovery and well-being.

True Patriot Love subsequently developed and led the successful bid for the 2025 Invictus Games, to be staged in Vancouver Whistler in February 2025 and which will be the first ever winter edition of the event. This makes Canada the first country in the world to host the Games twice and True Patriot Love the first organization to lead two Games.

To stage the 2025 Games, True Patriot Love has established a dedicated organizing committee and delivery organization and is a founding partner along with the Government of Canada and the Province of British Columbia.

The 2025 bid was unique, not only in being the first winter edition, but in building strong partnerships with local First Nations as guided by the Truth and Reconciliation of Canada's Calls to Action. It was also the first Games to pledge to establish a dedicated Legacy Fund.

Main Funder of Team Canada

True Patriot Love is also a major partner of Soldier On and the main funder of Team Canada at the Invictus Games and at the Warrior Games in the US. This funding also makes it possible for family members of the competitors to attend and support their loved ones.

Architect of the Legacy Program for the Invictus Games

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 this legacy.

There are seven Legacy Programs that will have a lasting impact, not just in Canada, but around the world through funding research into the impact of adaptive sports, sharing best practice across nations and helping strengthen the connection between the public and those who serve in their nation's armed forces.

The Invictus Games Legacy Program focuses on:

- Advancing the health and well-being of Veterans, serving members, and their families.
- Fostering meaningful reconciliation and engagement with Indigenous peoples and recognizing Indigenous Veterans and serving members.
- Empowering the rehabilitation and recovery of Veterans and serving military through the unifying power of sport and competition in adaptive winter sports.
- 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 public.

Steward of the Legacy Fund

A Legacy Fund of at least \$5M will be administered by True Patriot Love Foundation and which will invest in programs supporting military members, Veterans and their families in British Columbia, across Canada and internationally. It will include a range of programming including adaptive sports, mental health support, and promoting employment and transition for military members and Veterans.