

Canadian Forces Income Support



Canadian Forces Income Support (CFIS) is a tax-free monthly benefit that provides financial help if your household income is not enough to meet your basic needs.

Who qualifies for CFIS?

You may qualify if you live in Canada and you are a Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) Veteran who:

- has successfully completed a **rehabilitation program**;
- has a low **household income**; and
- is currently looking for **suitable employment**; or
- has reached age 65 and no longer qualifies for the Earnings Loss Benefit.

The dependents of a deceased CAF Veteran may also qualify for this benefit.

How do I apply?

Your VAC case manager can assist you with your application. If you do not have a case manager, the staff at any VAC office or Integrated Personnel Support Centre (IPSC) can assist you. To find one of these offices or to learn more about this and other benefits, visit us online at veterans.gc.ca or call us at **1-866-522-2122**.

Key terms

- **Household income** is determined in accordance with relevant legislation and considers taxable income (from employment, self-employment or other), rental income, interest and dividend income, and any government benefits you receive such as Old Age Security.
- **Suitable employment** is defined as an appropriate job or career for your level of education, training or experience.

Important information

You need to apply for CFIS within six months following the termination of your Earnings Loss Benefit.

Similar to CFIS, the War Veterans Allowance provides financial support to low-income Veterans who served in the Second World War or the Korean War.

Related programs

Earnings Loss Benefit
Rehabilitation and Vocational Assistance
War Veterans Allowance

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