

Our Historic Advancements

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Red River Métis Veterans Department



Minister Shawn Nault

- The Red River Métis Veterans Department (RRMVD) was established to honour Métis Veterans and their loved ones and provide them with the culturally appropriate supports to meet their needs.
- The RRMVD is developing programs to support Red River Métis Veterans, their families, and their caregivers.
- The MMF entered a service delivery agreement with the Métis National Council (MNC) to administer the Métis Veterans Legacy Program (MVLVLP). In 2022, the MMF entrusted this program to the RRMVD.



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Strategic Planning

- A Strategic Planning session was held in February in Treherne for the RRMVD and the MVLP.
- Minister Shawn Nault, RRMVD staff, consultants and the departments working group of Veteran Cabinet Ministers (Veteran Jack Park, Veteran John Fleury, and Veteran Andrew Carrier) attended the meeting.
- The RRMVD is committed to working collaboratively with all MMF departments and affiliates to provide wrap-around services for our Veterans.

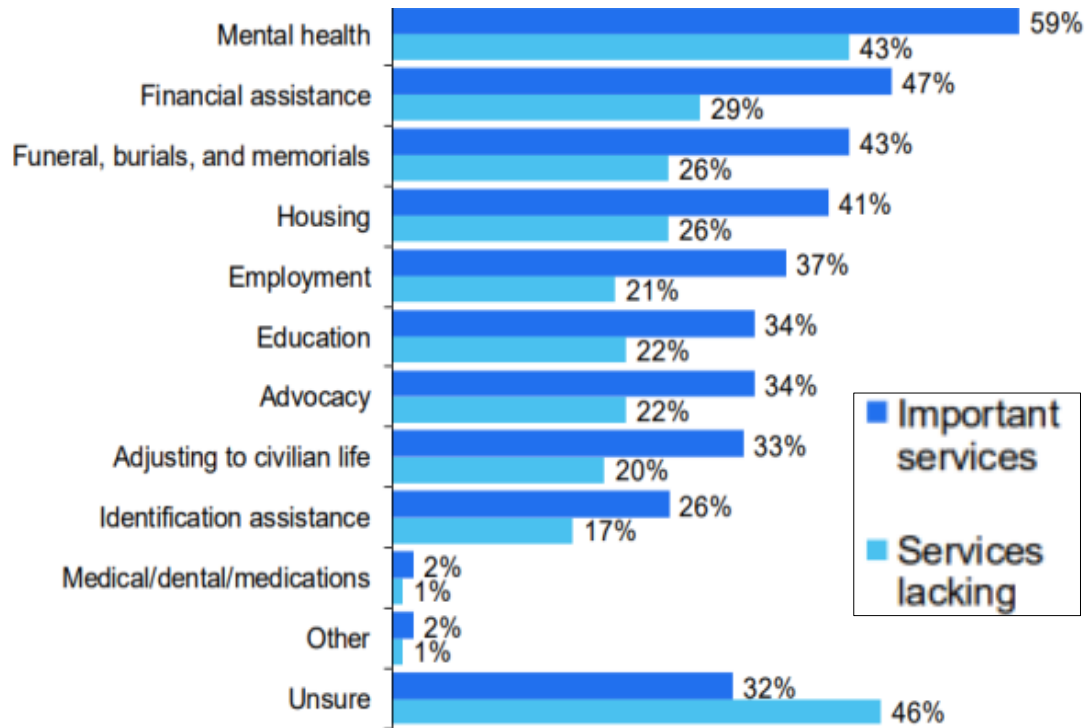


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Red River Métis Veterans Department Survey



Service priorities and reported deficits



- The RRMVD conducted a survey in 2022 to gather feedback from our Citizens to help us prioritize concerns to improve support for our Veterans.
- There were 575 responses from Citizens at the March 2022 AGA and the 13 Beyond Borders consultation sessions between June and September 2022.
- Mental health, financial assistance, memorial costs and housing were the top four concerns identified by our Citizens.

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Indigenous Veterans Day 2022

- On November 8, 2022, the RRMVD hosted its first National Indigenous Veterans Day ceremony at the Royal Aviation Museum of Western Canada, to honour our Métis Veterans.
- Over 200 people attended the event to recognize the unique sacrifices of our Red River Métis Veterans.
- The event began with a Royal Canadian Air Force fly-by and a Colour Party March led by a Red River Métis Youth piper serving in the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders of Canada.
- Colonel David Grebstad spoke on behalf of the Canadian Armed Forces.



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Indigenous Veterans Day 2023

We are pleased to announce that the RRMVD, in partnership with the St. Laurent Legion, will host an Indigenous Veterans Day ceremony to remember our Métis Veterans for their unique experiences and sacrifices in the Canadian Armed Forces.

The ceremony will be held at the Royal Canadian Legion St. Laurent Métis Branch #250 on November 8th, 2023.



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Canadian Armed Forces Recruitment



- The RRMVD is developing a partnership with the Canadian Armed Forces.
- Alongside other MMF departments and affiliates, the department will work to connect our Red River Métis Citizens with career opportunities within the CAF.
- The department will be focusing on connecting Youth with employment and extracurricular programs such as Cadets Canada.

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Red River Métis Veterans Database

- The RRMVD has developed a national database of Red River Métis Veterans with the following objectives:
 - Identify the number of Red River Métis Veterans and active service members in Canada.
 - Identify the needs of our Veterans and their families to determine how the RRMVD can meet their needs.
 - Create an archive of our Veteran's stories to highlight their contributions and sacrifices all year round.
 - Establish collaborative relationships with our Veteran Citizens.



If you know a Métis Veteran, please visit our booth today or email us at RedRiverMetisVeterans@mmf.mb.ca!



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Métis Veterans Legacy Program

- The MMF entered a service delivery agreement with the Métis National Council (MNC) to administer the Métis Veterans Legacy Program (MVLP). In 2022, the MMF entrusted this program to the RRMVD.
- The MVLP supports, honours and recognizes eligible Métis Veterans through the Recognition Payment program and the Commemoration Program.



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Recognition Payment

- Upon return from WWII, our Métis Veterans did not receive the same support, resources or benefits that were promised to them, which were routinely given to non-Métis Veterans.
- The MVLP recognizes WWII Métis Veterans by presenting them or their surviving family members with a \$20,000 Recognition Payment.

Commemoration Program

- The Commemoration Program invites Métis and non-Métis individuals or organizations to propose projects that will honour, respect and preserve the legacies of Métis Veterans.
- Eligible projects include memorials, monuments, ceremonies and events, research papers, art installations, scholarships, literature and other Métis Veteran-focused initiatives.

The MVLP invites those interested in the program to visit the website at metisveterans.ca.



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