



# CAREER TRANSITION SERVICES

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The Government of Canada is redesigning the Career Transition Services (CTS) program to ensure that Canadian Armed Forces members who complete basic training and eligible Veterans, survivors, spouses and common-law partners become more employable. VAC will engage a national third-party contractor to administer the benefits on its behalf.

The redesigned program includes an expansion of current eligibilities; the removal of time limits to apply; and simplifying or elimination of the application process for participants. This means that CTS benefits would be available more readily, the services received would be relevant, consistent, and provided by qualified career counsellors who have an understanding of military life and culture.

This benefit is just one step the Government is taking to improve benefits and services offered to Canadian Armed Forces members, Veterans and their families.

## Quick Facts

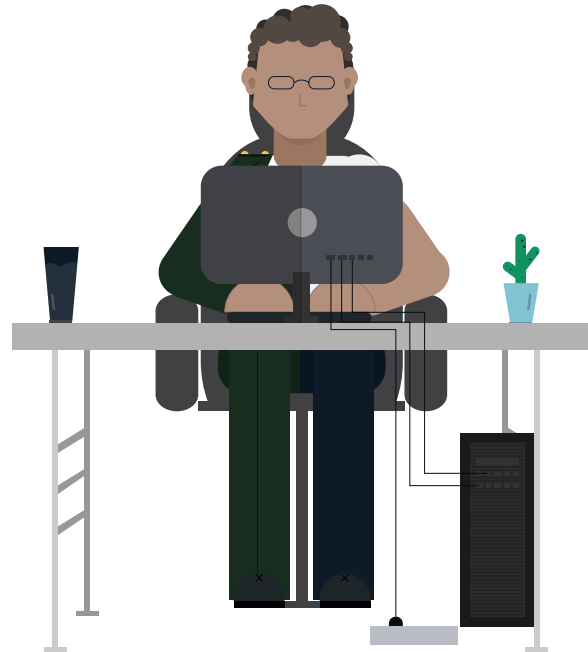
**\$74.1 million** over six years to enhance the Career Transition Services program to help gain the skills to successfully transition to the civilian workforce.

This redesigned program provides participants with a better understanding of how their skills and experience can position them to find post-military employment that is meaningful to them.

The Career Transition Services program will be easier to access because services will be provided directly by contractors and will no longer require the Veteran to find or pay for a provider on their own.

Services would focus on an individual's needs, building on the training and experience Canadian Armed Forces members gained while in service.

Services would be available for Veterans or survivors



throughout their lives, whenever they need them.

Example of who could benefit from this change:

## Scenario 1:

Mario is a 37-year-old member of the Canadian Armed Forces, who has served his country for eight years. Unsure about his future, Mario uses the Career Transition Services program to obtain labour market information about various places in Canada. Mario decides to release from the military. At that time, he contacts CTS again to discuss his plans and identify his education and training needs. Upon release from the Canadian Armed Forces, together with the Veterans' Education and Training Benefit proposed in Budget 2017, Mario is entitled to access \$40,000 for full-time or part-time study. Mario registers for university and successfully completes a Masters of Business Administration degree. Mario then uses the Career Transition Services program again to receive job-finding assistance services.

