

AIR CADET LEAGUE OF CANADA ONTARIO PROVINCIAL COMMITTEE

HONORARY PATRONS

Her Honour the Honourable Elizabeth Dowdeswell, OC, OOnt Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario The Honourable Doug Ford Premier of Ontario

The Air Cadet Program Funding Model

Since 1941, the <u>Air Cadet League of Ontario</u> has collaborated with the Canadian Armed Forces to develop the full potential of youth in communities throughout the province through the <u>Air Cadet Program</u>. The Air Cadet Program develops confident, self-sufficient youth leaders who form lasting friendships. It promotes physical fitness, healthy living and community engagement while stimulating an interest in aviation and Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) activities. The Air Cadet Program offers unique, peer led experiences that are open to all youth in a safe, yet challenging environment.

The partnership between the CAF and the Air Cadet League of Ontario supports 119 Air Cadet Squadrons through our local, community-based Squadron Sponsoring Committees. Funding to support the Air Cadet Program comes from two sources. First, using Federal Government funding, the CAF pays for the cost of uniforms, staff to deliver the program, summer training opportunities, some local training activities in the curriculum and some equipment required to support the curriculum.

Second, through a <u>Memorandum of Understanding</u> (MOU) with the CAF, local Squadron Sponsoring Committees (SSC) with support from the Air Cadet League of Ontario fundraise money to cover costs that are not funded by the CAF. These costs include training facilities for the cadets, squadron office and storage spaces, some equipment such as band instruments, some additional fun activities for the cadets that is not in the government funded curriculum, aircraft acquisition and some maintenance costs to facilitate flying opportunities for air cadets.

The Air Cadet League of Ontario also covers other administrative expenses to support our volunteers and local SSCs, such as security screening of our volunteers, insurance to safeguard assets and volunteers, fundraising support, financial accounting, and tax compliance services.

Based on our data, the Air Cadet League of Ontario, through the SSC, expends an average of \$500 per air cadet to support the 119 Ontario Air Cadet Squadrons.

- Thirty-six percent is raised through participation of Cadets and the CIC officers in tagging and other fundraising programs.
- Fourteen percent is reimbursed by the CAF for authorized expenses paid in advance by the SSC.
- · Fifty percent must be fundraised by the local SSC.

SSCs raise funds through a variety of means including games of chance – Nevada Tickets, casinos, bingos, lotteries, and raffles; local fundraising events such as sales of food items – pizzas and meats; dinners and bake sales; and anything else that they can manage. Due to the



COVID 19 pandemic, this has been particularly challenging in the recent past, driving the organization to new methods.

Air Cadet League management and administration occurs at the <u>National</u>, <u>Provincial</u> and community level and is all part of the cost of operating to fulfil our obligations under the MOU.

As the parent or guardian of a cadet, or a child wanting to become a cadet, we expect and encourage you to participate as a volunteer to raise the funds that are required to continue the program. The modern world of fundraising is becoming more challenging and requires more time and participation by parents and other program supporters. As an alternative, you may donate to the Squadron if your personal circumstances allow, (\$125-\$175 is suggested). You will receive a charitable tax receipt for your donation.

If your circumstances are such that you cannot volunteer to support fundraising nor make a financial donation, please discreetly advise the SSC Chair. The SSC Chair will assist you and ensure that your child participates fully in the program without cost. The Air Cadet League of Ontario and the SSC are committed to ensuring that no young person will be denied the opportunity to become an Air Cadet due to family circumstances.

Yours truly,

Yvonne Cooper, CD, MA, MPA

Executive Director,

Air Cadet League of Canada, Ontario Provincial Committee



Squadron Contact Listing

Air Cadet League of Canada, Ontario Provincial Committee

Squadron Information	
Squadron N°.	Squadron Name
Cadet Information	
First Name	
Last Name	
Address	
City/Prov/Postal Code	
Cell Phone	Alt Phone
Email	
Parent/Guardian 1	Cadets will be contacted only for Squadron related matters
First Name	
Last Name	
Address	
City/Prov/Postal Code	
Cell Phone	Work Phone
Email	
	s a Volunteer
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Parent/Guardian 2	
First Name	
Last Name	
Address	
City/Prov/Postal Code	
Cell Phone	Work Phone
Email	
Opt in as	a Volunteer
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Privacy Policy: https://www.aircadetleague.on.ca/Privacy-Program. You will receive emails and calls relevant to the Squadron. You may also receive marketing and fundraising emails in the future. If you do not wish to receive these emails, you will have the option of unsubscribing. Instructions to SSC – record the information in your local files and then send the completed document to the Ontario Provincial Committee offices for inclusion in our files.