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AFGHANISTAN WAR MEMORIAL PROJECT

**AIM:
TO "RECOGNIZE" AFGHANISTAN WAR
VETERANS AND THEIR SACRIFICES**

THE WAR IN AFGHANISTAN

- SEPT 11, 2001 TERRORIST ATTACK ON U.S. RESULTING IN WAR ON TERROR
- OCTOBER 2001 - CANADA JOINS U.S. AND NATO COALITION TO NEUTRALIZE AL QAEDA AND THE TALIBAN REGIME IN AFGHANISTAN
- 2003 – 2005: OP ATHENA – 1,900 CANADIAN SOLDIERS DEPLOYED TO CITY OF KABUL
- 2006: OP ARCHER – 2,300 CANADIAN SOLDIERS OPERATE OUT OF CITY OF KANDHAR.
- 2006-2009: TALIBAN RESURGENCE – OP MOUNTAIN THRUST/ OP MEDUSA/OP FALCON SUMMIT
- 2010-2011: U.S. SURGE. CANADIANS REMAIN ACTIVE IN THE PANJWAI, KANDAHAR, ZHARI AND DAMAN DISTRICTS
- 2011-2014: OP ATTENTION. CANADIANS TRAINING THE AFGHAN ARMY AND POLICE IN KABUL AND MAZAR-I-SHARIF
- 15 MARCH 2014: LAST CANADIAN SOLDIERS LEAVE AFGHANISTAN



CANADIAN CASUALTIES IN AFGHANISTAN

LEST WE FORGET - Collage: David LePage - Source: Royal Canadian Legion, rcldso.ca/lestweforget/canadiancasualties.asp





What we have done so far on the Project:

- **Put a 9.7 K deposit from Legion Funds on the Monument**
- **Obtained 3 K in corporate donations with more promised**
- **Casey Concrete providing all concrete for project**
- **Federal Funding (MP Hon Dr Stephen Ellis – looking into)**
- **Requested funding from Provincial Government - amount yet to be determined (MLA Hon Tory Rushton)**



What we need to complete the Project:

- **The land for the monument**
- **Upkeep for the land (Grass cut and Flower beds maintained)**
- **General security of the area**
- **Community grant or funding assistance for the project**



In Conclusion:

- **We have over 100 Afghanistan War Veterans in our area deserving of recognition for their service.**
- **Our goal is to provide these veterans, their families, and our community a venue for remembrance.**
- **This Memorial will be yet another testament to the respect this community has for its veterans**



QUESTIONS???