



Let's celebrate Canada Day

It has certainly been a challenging year. But as we celebrate Canada's 153rd birthday on July 1, I hope everyone can take some time to appreciate our great nation.

We have a beautiful country and it's a perfect time to explore our lakes, rivers, oceans and mountains.

And this year, there are some unique virtual Canada Day experiences that can be enjoyed from the comfort of home.

Nationally, "Canada Day Across the Country" features a virtual celebration with artists like Sarah McLachlan, Paul Brandt, Avril Lavigne and more.

And if you point your smartphone skyward at 10 p.m. you can watch a 3D virtual fireworks show.

It's all here: <https://www.canada.ca/en/cana->



OUR GREAT NATION: It brings me so much pleasure to represent the federal riding of Kamloops-Thompson-Cariboo and I wish all my constituents a Happy Canada Day!

[dian-heritage/campaigns/canada-day/online-celebrations.html](https://www.dian-heritage/campaigns/canada-day/online-celebrations.html)

Locally, virtual festivities start on the City of Kamloops website ([Kamloops.ca/canadaday](https://www.kamloops.ca/canadaday)) at 11 a.m. and include BIG Little Science Centre activities,

a Project X puppet show, and a performance from Kamloops Symphony.

In Barriere, local first responders will parade through neighbourhoods at noon, broadcasting "O Canada."

So whether watching virtual fireworks or a pa-

rade from your yard, my family and I wish everyone a Happy Canada Day!

Schedule change

For summer, I will be shifting to a monthly schedule for my newsletter, or will publish more frequently, if needed.

Grant helps students who assist not-for-profits

A new program has been launched that offers financial incentives for students who volunteer with not-for-profits.

The Canada Student Service Grant provides

a one-time payment of \$1,000 to \$5,000 for post-secondary students and recent grads under age 30, who put in 100 to 500 hours between June 25 to Oct. 31.

A volunteer placement manager will match students with appropriate non-profits, based on their education and skills.

Many of the opportunities will be online, so

may not even be with a non-profit physically located in the riding.

Students and not-for-profits alike can create a profile at: <https://www.iwanttohelp.org/en-CA/>