

# MADD Canada's Mission

To stop impaired driving and to support victims of this violent crime. We're here to support you. We understand. Our services and resources are free.

## What is MADD Canada?

MADD Canada (Mothers Against Drunk Driving) is a national, grassroots, charitable organization with Chapters and Community Leaders across the country. MADD Canada Chapters and Community Leader groups are run by volunteers from across the country and include not only mothers, but fathers, friends, business professionals, experts in the anti-impaired driving field, concerned citizens and young people who want to make a difference in the fight against impaired driving.

To find out where the closest Chapter or Community Leader group is located, [visit madd.ca](http://visit madd.ca)

What makes MADD Canada unique from other organizations in the fight against impaired driving is our service to victims/survivors of impaired driving crashes. We provide:

- A National phone line for support – 1-800-665-6233, ext. 222
- One-to-one emotional support
- Helping victims/survivors know their rights under the law
- Court accompaniment and support wherever possible
- Support writing a Victim Impact Statement
- National Conference for Victims of Impaired Driving
- National Candlelight Vigil of Hope and Remembrance
- National Memorial Wall, online Tributes, Travelling Memorial Banner
- Information on insurance
- Brochures on grief and bereavement
- A National Resource Guide
- Lending library

## Contact us today!

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*We are  
here to help*

when a loved one is killed in  
an impaired driving crash



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At MADD Canada, we fully understand the reality facing families and friends when a loved one is killed or injured in an impaired driving crash. Your life will never be the same and you are probably experiencing many different emotions – grief, anger, hopelessness, isolation and so much more. You are likely struggling with the senselessness of a crime that was so preventable.

“Life as we knew it ended for our family when our 21-year-old son, Brent was killed. It was impossible. How do you begin to pick up the pieces after losing a child to something so senseless? How do you go on? I called MADD Canada and they turned out to be the life raft that kept us from drowning.”

– Aleta Neville

### Our Program Objective

To support grieving families to find new ideas and information on grief, coping, and reconciliation of the death of a loved one. Our team helps lead the path to healing by example and experience.

When your loved one dies, suddenly it seems like all meaning has been drained from your life. When you wake in the morning, it's difficult to get out of bed, much less live a “normal” life. All that was right with the world now seems wrong and you're wondering when, or if, you'll ever feel better.

Many of us have been there ourselves and understand some of the pain you are feeling right now. We are truly glad that you have found us but profoundly saddened by the reason. We know that you are trying to find your way in a bewildering experience for which no one can truly be prepared.

When you're newly bereaved, suddenly you find yourself on an emotional roller-coaster where you have no idea what to expect next.

Is there light at the end of the tunnel? Yes! While you will never entirely get over the loss of your loved one, you can begin a healing journey and one day experience joy again. Call us...we can help.

You may find it difficult to make the first call, regardless of how long it is since you were bereaved. Perhaps you can ask a family member, a friend, or the police officer in charge of your case to make the call on your behalf.

“Every time I met with my Victim Services Volunteer I knew I was in a safe place. She was there to support and listen to me without judgement. Whatever I needed, she was there to give. It's a comfort to know MADD Canada is out there helping victims and trying to prevent this from happening to other families.”

– Daniela Stinellis