

The War Amps contributes material to Libraries Foundation

Patrons of the province's public library system now have access to a variety of new military history resources and safety videos for children, thanks to a partnership involving the New Brunswick Public Library Service (NBPLS), the New Brunswick Public Libraries Foundation and The War Amps.

Post-Secondary Education, Training and Labour Minister Ed Doherty made the announcement on behalf of the NBPLS during a reception at the Oromocto Public Library.

"These resources are a valuable addition to the New Brunswick public library collection, and I thank The War Amps for their generous contribution," said Doherty. "I also wish to recognize the efforts of the New Brunswick Public Libraries Foundation, which works toward securing partnerships with individuals and organizations to better develop access to resources, and to enhance our public library collections. It is another example of how we are helping more New Brunswickers be informed and be engaged in the joy of reading and learning, and I encourage New Brunswickers of all ages to 'Become a Reader @ Your Library'."

The War Amps donated more than 160 items, including DVD documentaries, books on military history, and a series of child safety awareness videos. The materials are available in both official languages, and have been distributed to various public libraries throughout New Brunswick. Access to them is free to anyone with a New Brunswick public library card. The donations were made through the Operation Legacy program.

"We are tremendously proud of the many young people in our Child Amputee (CHAMP) Program who have joined Operation Legacy, which was started by The War Amps to ensure that future generations will understand the importance of Remembrance," said War Amps CEO Cliff Chadderton. "It has been a wonderful privilege to see the manner in which they have begun to pass on our military heritage message through projects such as this one.

"The PLAYSAFE DVDs will also pass on an important message to children. Many of our Champs have lost limbs in accidents and want to prevent future ones."

"The New Brunswick Public Libraries Foundation is pleased to have The War Amps partnership, through which newly developed War Amps resources will be donated to New Brunswick's public library system," said Libraries Foundation Chair Charles Ramsey. "This initiative will allow New Brunswickers to continue to foster and develop their culture of lifelong learning at their library."