



***On April 4th, Mines Action Canada is asking you to
Lend Your Leg and Stand with Survivors.***

What is Lend Your Leg?

Lend Your Leg is an initiative of Mines Action Canada and the International Campaign to Ban Landmines. On April 4th, people around the world will be rolling up their pant leg to stand with survivors and say no more landmines. We are asking for photos and video of people lending their leg to show landmine survivors that they are not alone and tell governments that supporting survivors is important to us all.

Why should I lend my leg?

We're lucky in Canada and do not have to worry that our next step could be fatal, but landmines continue to affect 100,000s of people around the world. The thing is we can fix that and put landmines in the dustbin of history. We have a treaty that bans their use, production and trade and people around the world are clearing the land of mines and helping survivors.

Lending your leg means you are **joining a winning team**. Landmines have been banned and every day, people are taking the mines out of the ground, destroying the stockpiled mines and supporting survivors to recover and rebuild their lives. Landmines will be eliminated from our planet making a huge difference to the everyday lives of 100,000s of people and you can be a part of it. The treaty is working and we just need your help to finish the job.

Lending your leg means you are **standing up for Canadian values and a Canadian success story**. The Ottawa Treaty banning landmines is a successful Canadian initiative; it even has our name on it. Landmines isn't a partisan issue, it's a humanitarian one – one that Canada is known for around the world. It is not about politics or parties, it is about making sure kids can play and farmers can grow their crops safely.

Lending your leg means that you will **get noticed**. Spending a day with one pant leg rolled up is unusual and noteworthy. It will put you in good company; Grammy Award winning Colombian singer Juanes and UN Secretary General Ban Ki Moon already committed to lending their legs. Here at MAC we are going to be working to ensure that anyone who wants it, gets included in coverage of Lend your Leg. You will be noticed for joining a winning team that is making the world safer – what could be better than that?

To learn more call us or e-mail us! The office number is 613 241-3777 or you can reach Erin directly at 613 302-3088 or erin@minesactioncanada.org.

Who are Mines Action Canada and the International Campaign to Ban Landmines?

Mines Action Canada is an international leader working to eliminate the serious humanitarian, environmental and development consequences of landmines, cluster bombs and other explosive remnants of war (ERW). We are a coalition of Canadian NGOs and member of the International Campaign to Ban Landmines. The International Campaign to Ban Landmines is a global network that works for a world free of antipersonnel landmines, where landmine survivors can lead fulfilling lives. The Campaign was awarded the **Nobel Peace Prize** in recognition of its efforts to bring about the 1997 Ottawa Treaty.

What's a landmine?

Landmines are explosive devices designed to injure or kill people. They lie dormant for years and even decades under, on or near the ground until a person or animal triggers their detonating mechanism. To learn more visit www.minesactioncanada.org.