





## Lieutenant (Navy) Carli Sussman

Carli joined the Royal Canadian Navy in 2000, while studying music education at the University of Toronto. Following the events of 9/11, she took a break from her studies in order to assist with the domestic contingent of Operation APOLLO, Canada's contribution to the international effort against terrorism. Upon graduation, she relocated to Vancouver, where she has worked in outreach and recruiting roles for the Canadian Forces Recruiting Centre, His Majesty's Canadian Ship DISCOVERY, and 39 Canadian Brigade Group. Carli has a professional interest in supporting the CAF's diversity and inclusion efforts through connecting with women and Indigenous Peoples.

Carli is passionate about engaging and developing vulnerable and disadvantaged youth. Her extensive volunteer service in this area includes instructing middle school students in an inner-city youth marching band program, teaching fitness and physical education at an alternative educational program for youth at risk, and nearly a decade working as a one-to-one mentor for youth in the criminal justice system.





Carli currently serves part-time as a Public Affairs Officer with His Majesty's Canadian Ship DISCOVERY, Vancouver's Naval Reserve Unit. She is a sought-after speaker for Veterans' Week events in elementary and secondary schools across the North Shore. Carli lives in North Vancouver with her three young sons, who inspire her to keep working for a better community.