



# The Ukrainian Canadian Congress

The Ukrainian Canadian Congress (UCC) is the voice of Canada's Ukrainian community. UCC works hard to keep Ukraine at the forefront of Canada's foreign policy and support Ukrainian Canadian communities across Canada. In the last year the UCC has worked on the following priorities:



**Opening the new Ukrainian Consulate in Edmonton**, serving B.C., Alberta, Saskatchewan, Yukon and the Northwest Territories.



**Significant expansion of Canadian sanctions** on 129 Russian officials and companies as a consequence of ongoing military aggression and the illegal invasion of Crimea.



**Renewal of Operation UNFIER, Canada's military training mission in Ukraine**, for an additional three years. Canadian Forces personnel have trained more than 10,000 Ukrainian soldiers thus far.



**Speaking up strongly for all Ukrainian political prisoners illegally held by Russia**, including Crimean Tatar leaders and Ukrainian sailors.



**Strengthening Canada's support for democracy in Ukraine**, including a Canadian election observation mission, promoting women's participation in elections and countering disinformation.



**Establishing and supporting a new UCC branch in Victoria, B.C.**, and working with UCC Provincial Councils and local branches across Canada including the 2018 National AGM in Montreal.

## In this coming year, we will be working on the following:

Expanding and strengthening sanctions on Russian officials

Combatting Russian disinformation efforts in Canada

Helping to establish a roadmap for visa liberalization

Hosting the 2019 Triennial Congress in Ottawa, November 1-3

Partnering with the 2019 Ukraine Reform Conference

**In 2019, help us keep Canada's Ukrainian community well-informed and active, with a strong national voice!**