

information from the U.S. authorities immediately before your visit.

Every effort has been made to provide you with accurate and up-to-date information. If you have a problem, call us. We are open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Addresses and telephone numbers are in the final section.

## OUR NATIVE LAND

Every trip begins at home. What you do before you leave — and the more you do — will help ensure a trouble-free visit.

U.S. entry requirements for Canadians are neither onerous nor complex. Nevertheless, they are legal requirements. To travel in ignorance or with an "it won't happen to me" mentality, or to expect that your lack of preparation will be overlooked, is to seek trouble. And many who seek will find.

The preparations you must make and the information you require depend on the reason for your visit and the length of time you expect to be in the United States. If you are simply crossing the border to fill your gas tank or shop for a few hours and have done so before, your preparations can be minimal. But if you are going for several weeks or months, if you are moving permanently, or if your visit involves remunerative work, you need to prepare carefully.