

Significant Financial Support for Businesses

Province	Significant financial support	Details
British Columbia	Small and Medium-sized Business Recovery Grant	<p>The \$30,000 grant is for firms employing between 2 to 149 B.C. residents. Businesses must have had at least 30% drop in revenue in any one month since March 2020. Tourism businesses eligible for an additional \$15,000. Business must have been active for at least 18 months as of the date of application. Program extended until August 31, 2021. Govt. will review previous applications to see if they fit the expanded criteria.</p>
	Circuit Breaker Business Relief Grant	<p>Grants of \$2,000 to \$20,000 available to hospitality, fitness and accommodation businesses impacted by the March 31, 2021 PHO orders and the April 23, 2021 restrictions on travel. The grant is available to new businesses as long as they have been in operation and registered as of February 1, 2021. Grants are available until June 4, or until funds are fully expended, whichever comes first.</p>
	Launch Online Grant	<p>The program is meant to help businesses sell their goods online. All businesses can apply, as long as they had a minimum of \$30,000 in sales revenue in 2020. The grant pays up to 75% of eligible expenses, up to a maximum of \$7,500. Program application intake is open until September 30, 2021 or until the funds have been fully subscribed. Funding will be awarded on a first-come first-serve basis. For details and to apply, visit the website.</p>
	Increased Employment Incentive	<p>All private sector employers that create new jobs or increase the pay of their existing low- or medium-income employees over the last quarter (October to December) of 2020. The deadline to apply is December 31, 2021.</p>
	PST Rebate on Select Machinery and Equipment	<p>A temporary provincial sales tax (PST) program through which corporations can apply to receive an amount equal to the PST they paid between September 17, 2020 and September 30, 2021 on qualifying machinery and equipment. The deadline to apply for the rebate is March 31, 2022</p>

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Alberta	SME Relaunch Grant (3 rd payment)	To support businesses affected by public health measures. To be eligible, a firm must: be opened before October 31, 2020, and have a revenue loss of 30% or greater. Or, for those open before Feb 29, 2020, have a revenue loss of 30% by comparing any month between Nov 2019 and April 2020 to the same month in the following year. For new businesses (open between March 1, 2020-March 31, 2021), comparing a month between April 2020 and April 2021 to a month between November 2020 and April 2021 Application deadline: May 31, 2021
Manitoba	Manitoba Bridge Grant (4 th round of payments)	The program was extended on May 10. Eligible businesses that received prior bridge grant payments will automatically receive a fourth payment of up to \$5,000 beginning as early as Friday, May 14 and will be notified of the deposit via email. Restaurants will receive an additional (top-up) of \$2,000 to cover costs related to food spoilers, among others.
Saskatchewan	Sask. Small Business Emergency Payment (SSBEP 2.0)	Financial assistance to eligible small businesses ordered to temporarily close or substantially curtail operations in December 2020, and/or January, February, March 2021 due to a public health order. The assistance includes 15% of the monthly sales revenue in Nov, Dec 2019 or January 2020 up to \$5,000. Applications for the period April 1 – 30 are open until May 30 th .
	Re-Open Saskatchewan Training Subsidy	Employers are reimbursed 100% of approved training costs up to \$10,000 for existing employees. The application deadline is June 30, 2021. The demand for reimbursement must be submitted at least 10 business days prior to training, otherwise they may not be approved.

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Ontario	Property tax and energy cost rebates	All small businesses eligible for the ON Small Business Support Grant are also eligible for property tax rebates on municipal and education property taxes and energy costs rebates, including electricity and natural gas (propane and heating oil). Funding will cover the entire length of time that regionally targeted public health restrictions are in place.
	Ontario Tourism and Hospitality Small Business Support Grant (<i>coming soon</i>)	One-time payments of \$10,000 to \$20,000 to eligible small businesses in the tourism and hospitality. Applications not open.
Quebec	Assistance to businesses in regions on maximum alert (AERAM)	<p>Assistance to businesses in regions on maximum alert (AERAM). The non-refundable part is the maximum of 80% of the loan or up to \$15,000. For details and applications, visit quebec.ca</p> <p>Starting May 15, 2021, businesses that apply under the AERAM section may be eligible for the loan forgiveness to cover the fixed expenses incurred for the three months preceding the month in which the application is submitted, the month of submission of the application, and the subsequent months.</p> <p>Firms eligible for the AERAM may obtain additional support under the PAUPME of up to a maximum of \$50 000 to cover its cash requirements, for total assistance of \$150 000.</p> <p>Some tourism and accommodation businesses may qualify for additional assistance.</p>
	Concerted temporary action program for businesses	<p>The program is run by Investissement Québec and it is for businesses whose liquidity is affected by the repercussions of COVID-19. Applications are reviewed on a case-by-case basis. It also includes specific conditions for the tourism industry such as more advantageous loan terms and loan guarantees. The funding granted covers the business's needs as of October 1, 2020.</p> <p>For details and conditions, click here.</p>

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Newfoundland and Labrador	Previous program expired.	
Nova Scotia	Small Business Impact Grant Part 3	A one-time grant of up to \$5,000 to eligible businesses that have been directly affected by public health measures introduced in April 2021. The business must have experienced a revenue loss of 30% or more for the period of 1 March 2020 to 28 February 2021 or expect at least a 30% decrease in revenues in May 2021. Applications for businesses that didn't previously receive a Small Business Impact Grant will open by 19 May 2021.
	Small Business Real Property Tax Rebate Program	It will provide eligible businesses with a one-time rebate of \$1,000 or 50% of property taxes paid for the last 6 months of the 2020 – 2021 tax year. Applications will be available soon.
	Tourism Accommodations Real Property Tax Rebate Program (part 2)	It will give eligible tourism accommodation operators a one-time 50% rebate on the first six months of their commercial property taxes paid for 2021-2022.
New Brunswick	Working capital for NB small business owners	Loans up to \$100,000 for small businesses employing 1 to 49 employees, including sole proprietors/self-employed, with sales of less than \$10 million in the most recent fiscal year. The loans are funded by Government of NB and administered by the CBDC .
PEI	Tourism Activation Grant	The program is to provide tourism businesses with a non-repayable financial contribution from \$2,500 to \$50,000 toward eligible expenses to assist with capital and/or maintenance costs associated with opening for the 2021 season. For eligibility and applications, click here .
	Web Presence Assistance	Non-repayable contribution to PEI businesses to assist with the creation of an online presence or to upgrade to include e-commerce. Innovation PEI's contribution is limited to 50% of the eligible cost to a maximum contribution of \$1000 (Tier 1) or \$2500 (Tier 2). For eligibility and application click here .
	COVID-19 Special Leave Fund	Temporary support for workers and self-employed unable to schedule a vaccination appointment outside of work hours, or unable to work due to illness or COVID-19 testing or self-isolation requirements, and who do not qualify for the Canada Recovery Sickness Benefit or have access to paid sick leave.