

Things are changing rapidly, and we will do our best to keep this as up to date as possible. This information is current as of April 6th, 2020.

CANADA GUIDE

Financial Resources for Small Businesses

Use this PDF to navigate the public and private financial resources available to small businesses and restaurants. This PDF is meant as a general guide and should not be considered legal advice.

Canada's COVID-19 Economic Response Plan

The Canadian government has responded with several economic responses for small businesses. We will update as more comprehensive legislation comes through.

The Business Credit Availability Program:

For immediate inquiry about credit assistance, call your financial ending institution and ask about the [Business Credit Availability Program \(BCAP\)](#). This program provides more than \$10 billion in support to small and medium-sized businesses through the [Business Development Bank of Canada \(BDC\)](#) and [Export Development Canada \(EDC\)](#).

Avoid layoffs with a subsidized Work-Share program:

The maximum duration of the program has been extended from 36 weeks to 76 weeks for employers affected by COVID-19. Check your eligibility [here](#).

The central place to access the Canadian Federal government's economic response is [here](#).

Find support for:

- Avoiding layoffs and rehiring employees
- Reduced and deferred payments
- Access to credit
- Supporting financial stability
- Support for self-employed individuals

Resources + Links

[Resources for small business affected by COVID-19](#)

[Visit "My Business Account" to apply for The Emergency Wage subsidy](#)