



Small & Medium Enterprise Relaunch Grant

The Small and Medium Enterprise Relaunch Grant offers financial assistance to Alberta organizations (businesses, cooperatives, and non-profits) that were ordered to closed or curtail operations, and that experienced a revenue reduction of at least 30%, as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The program offers the following:

- Up to \$20,000 in funding for organizations established before February 29th, 2020, including unregistered sole proprietors.
- Up to \$15,000 in funding for new organizations which began operations between March 1st and October 31st, 2020, including unregistered sole proprietors.

More at:

Small and Medium Enterprise Relaunch Grant program quidelines (alberta.ca)

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Enhanced COVID-19 Business Benefit

Starting mid-April, the Enhanced COVID-19 Business Benefit will provide payments of up to \$10,000 to eligible small and medium business most affected by the pandemic and ongoing public health restrictions.

Businesses can use these funds as they see fit to help offset the costs of re-opening, and implementing public health measures including:

- Physical Barriers
- Purchasing personal protective equipment (PPE) and disinfecting supplies
- Paying rent and employee wages
- Replacing Inventory
- Expanding online business or e-commerce opportunities

More at:

Enhanced COVID-19 Business Benefit | Alberta.ca



Webinars

Navigating to an online world amid a pandemic to serve your business can be challenging. Take a dive into some online webinars and programs to help better understand the online world.

Past Recordings:

How to Run Facebook
Advertising Webinar | Travel
Alberta

Revamping Your Website |
Travel Alberta

Google Guide for Small And Medium Businesses | Travel Alberta

Upcoming:

One Year Later: How has COVID-19 re-defined the experience economy in Alberta? **April 22, 2021** Register Here

How tourism businesses use content and social media to market.

April 29th, 2021 Register Here

Board Development Webinar Series:

Live Webinar Series | AUMA.ca





Funding

Canadian Emergency Wage Subsidy (CEWS) – You may be eligible for wage subsidy to cover part of your employee wages.

Extended until June 5th, 2021 Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy (CEWS) - Canada.ca

Canada Emergency Rent Subsidy (CERBS) – Businesses, non-profit organizations or charities who have seen a drop in revenue during COVID-19 may be eligible for a subsidy to cover part of their commercial rent or property expenses.

Next deadline April 22nd, 2021 Canada Emergency Rent Subsidy (CERS) - Canada.ca

Work Sharing Program – this is a program that helps employers and employees avoid layoffs when there is a temporary decrease in business activity beyond the control of the employers. This will provide Employment Insurance (EI) benefits to eligible employees who agree to reduce their normal working hours and share the available work while their employer recovers.

Extended until September 26th, 2021

Work-Sharing Program – COVID-19 - Canada.ca



Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

Connect to PPE suppliers using the websites below:

Rapid Response Platform Canada

ATB Nexus

Federal Supply Hub

Alberta Chamber of Commerce Resource Page

Alberta Chambers of Commerce

Business Link

How To Start Selling Online | Business Link

COVID-19: Tips for Small Businesses | Business Link

<u>Creating an Emergency</u> Response Plan | Business Link



Mental Health

Workplace Mental Health Information:

Mood Disorders Society of Canada

The impact of workplace mental health on business (morneaushepell.com)

Additional Mental Health Resources:

COVID-19 and mental health - CMHA National

Talking with children about Coronavirus Disease 2019 | CDC

Help in Tough Times | Alberta Health Services

Taking Care of Your Mental Health in the Face of Uncertainty (afsp.org)

Mental Health Phone Number - 1.877.303.2642 - 24/7 Toll Free