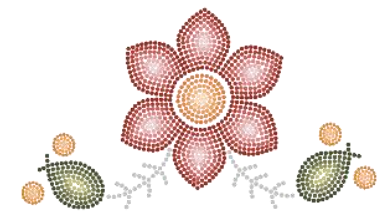


MÉTIS NATION OF ONTARIO FACT SHEET: COVID-19 FINANCIAL SUPPORTS FOR THE SELF-EMPLOYED

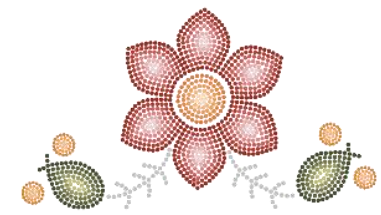
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- This document is intended to provide clarity on the various COVID-19 financial supports available to Ontario Métis people who are self-employed
- As new supports become available or clarified this document will be updated with the eligibility, amounts, and contacts for financial support.
- **NOTICE: If you are experiencing symptoms such as cough, fever, difficulty breathing, or you are in self-isolation or quarantine, do not visit or enter any Service Canada or Ontario Works office. As an alternative, you may access all federal and provincial services online.**

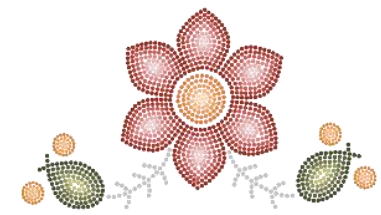
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Canada Emergency Response Benefit (CERB)	Up to 4 months Max. \$2,000/month as a taxable benefit	Requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residing in Canada, and are least 15 years old. • Has stopped working because of COVID-19 or are eligible for Employment Insurance regular or sickness benefits. • Had income of at least \$5,000 in 2019 or in the 12 months prior to the date of their application • Are or expect to be without employment or self-employment income for at least 14 consecutive days in the initial four-week period. For subsequent benefit periods, 	<p>Canadians who are already receiving EI regular and sickness benefits as of today would continue to receive their benefits and should not apply to the CERB.</p> <p>Landing Page: CERB Information Online: CRA MyAccount Online: My Service Canada Account</p> <p>This CERB replaces the original announcements of adding an 'Emergency Care Benefit' and 'Emergency Support Benefit' to EI.</p>	<p>The week of April 6th-9th will have applications open each day depending on applicant's birth month.</p> <p>See CERB landing page for details on which day to apply.</p>



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		<p>they expect to have no employment income.</p> <p>The income of at least \$5,000 may be from any or a combination of the following sources: employment; self-employment; maternity and parental benefits under the Employment Insurance program and/or similar benefits paid in Quebec under the Quebec Parental Insurance Plan.</p> <p>Eligibility details and questions located at CERB application landing page.</p>		
Business Credit Availability Program (BCAP)		<p>BDC and EDC are cooperating with private sector lenders to coordinate on credit solutions for individual businesses, including in sectors such as oil and gas, air transportation and tourism. The near term credit available to farmers and the agri-food sector will also be increased through Farm Credit Canada.</p>	<p>Contact Information: If you are interested in exploring financing opportunities for your business through the BCAP, please contact your financial institution directly and it will contact BDC and EDC where appropriate. BDC and EDC can also be contacted by phone:</p> <p>Business Development, Bank of Canada 1-877-232-2269 Export Development Canada 1-800-229-0575</p>	Immediate



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Lowering the Domestic Stability Buffer		The Office of the Superintendent of Financial Institutions (OSFI) announced it is lowering the Domestic Stability Buffer by 1.25% of risk-weighted assets, effective immediately. This action will allow Canada's large banks to inject \$300 billion of additional lending in to the economy.	<p>For more information about the Domestic Stability Buffer:</p> <p>OSFI offers a toll-free telephone number for public enquiries in Canada. Our hours of operation are Monday through Friday, between 8:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. (Eastern Time).</p> <p>Telephone: 1-800-385-8647 Local information number (Ottawa-Gatineau): (613) 943-3950 TTY services: (613) 943-3980</p>	Immediate
Cutting the interest rate		The Bank of Canada has cut the interest rate to 0.25% as a proactive measure in light of the negative shocks to Canada's economy arising from the COVID-19 pandemic and the recent sharp drop in oil prices.	<p>For more information on interest rates:</p> <p>Information agents are available Monday to Friday 8:30 to 17:00 (ET) Toll-free, North America: 1-800-303-1282 Outside North America: 613-782-8111 TTY: 1-888-418-1461 Fax: 613-782-7713 https://www.bankofcanada.ca/</p>	Immediate
Deferral of Sales Tax Remittance and Customs Duty Payments		Businesses, including self-employed individuals, can defer until June 30, 2020 payments of the Goods and Services Tax / Harmonized Sales Tax (GST/HST), as well as customs duties owing on their imports.	<p>These amounts were normally due to be submitted to the Canada Revenue Agency and the Canada Border Services Agency as early as the end of this month.</p>	Immediate



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		<p>The deferral will apply to GST/HST remittances for the February, March and April 2020 reporting periods for monthly filers; the January 1, 2020 through March 31, 2020 reporting period for quarterly filers; and for annual filers, the amounts collected and owing for their previous fiscal year and instalments of GST/HST in respect of the filer's current fiscal year.</p>		