

# COVID-19 RESOURCES FOR EMPLOYERS & COMMUNITY PARTNERS

The following information is a collection of resources pertaining to supports in place for organziations during the COVID-19 global pandemic. Note this is not an exhaustive list and government websites should be checked frequently as information changes rapidly.

### 1) Canada's COVID-19 Economic Response Plan

This resource outlines all of the Canadian Government's initiatives related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Each section contains the appropriate links to more information.

Note: Check this government resource frequently as new information is updated regularly.

Below is a list of all available resources under the "Support to Businesses" section on the Government of Canada's website. Each item in the column on the right is hyperlinked on the GC website.

SUPPORT TO BUSINESSES	
Avoiding Layoffs	<ul><li>Extending the Work-Sharing program</li><li>Providing small business with wage subsidies</li></ul>
Access to credit	- Establishing a Business Credit Availability Program
Support for Farmers	- Increasing Credit Available
Supporting finanacial stability	<ul> <li>Launching an Insured Mortgage Purchase Program</li> <li>Bank of Canada actions</li> <li>Lowering the Domestic Stability Buffer</li> </ul>
More flexibility	<ul> <li>More time to pay income taxes</li> <li>Deferral of Sales Tax Remittance and Customs Duty</li> <li>Payments</li> </ul>





# 2) Government of Canada: Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)

This resource includes regularly updated information about the following:

· Link to a self-assessment

· Travel advice

· COVID-19 updates

· Canada's response

· Prevention and risks

· Latest information on COVID-19 numbers

· Symptoms and treatment

· FAO

· Being Prepared

# 3) Government of Ontario: COVID-19

This resource includes regularly updated information about the following:

- Link to a self-assessment
- How to Stop the Spread
- Status of cases in Ontario

# 4) Greater Niagara Chamber of Commerce

This resource provides links to regularly updated information on the following:

- · Government Resources
  - General Updates
  - Federal Government Wage Subsidy
  - Business Credit Availability Program
  - Work Sharing Program Extension
  - Wage Subsidies
  - Deferred Businesses Filing Taxes
  - WSIB Premium and Reporting Deferrals
  - "Calling all suppliers help Canada combat COVID-19"
- · Small Business Support Resources
  - Coronavirus disease (COVID-19): Resources for Canadian businesses
  - Business Continuity Checklist: maintaining business during an infectious disease outbreak
  - Canadian Chamber of Commerce Pandemic Preparedness for Business
  - Ontario Chamber of Commerce COVID-19 Portal
  - CDC's Interim Guidance for Businesses and Employees
- · Business Development Bank of Canada (BDC)
- · Workplace Health and Safety/Federal Labour Standards
- · Digital Tools to Keep Business Communications Open
  - Google Hangouts, Zoom Meeting, Webex, Skype, Facetime (Apple iOS), Slack, Email,
     Phone Calls & Conference Calls
- · Alternate Ways to Support Local Businesses During This Time
- · Exporting and Trade Resources
- · Employment/Legal Resources
- · Mental Health Resources
- · Toolkits
- · Chamber Resources



