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## Support for Individuals

Category	Supports Available
Individuals and Families – Support for Children and Youth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Increasing the Canada Child Benefit</a></li> <li><a href="#">Funding to Support Children's Learning</a> (Ontario)</li> <li><a href="#">Emergency Child Care</a> (Ontario)</li> <li><a href="#">Pandemic Pay</a> (Ontario)</li> </ul>
Individuals and Families – Financial Help for Basic Needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Temporary Wage Top-Up for Low-Income Essential Workers</a></li> <li><a href="#">Canada Emergency Response Benefit (CERB)</a></li> <li><a href="#">Special Goods and Services Tax Credit Payment</a></li> <li><a href="#">Extra Time to File Income Tax Returns</a> (June 1, 2020)</li> <li><a href="#">Mortgage Payment Deferral</a></li> <li><a href="#">Emergency Assistance</a> (Ontario)</li> <li><a href="#">Funding for COVID-19 related expenses</a> (Ontario)</li> <li><a href="#">Help for Electricity Bills</a> (Ontario)</li> <li><a href="#">Doubled GAINS payments for seniors</a> (Ontario)</li> </ul>
Extensions on Validations and Deadlines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Driver's licenses, vehicle and carrier products</a></li> <li><a href="#">Health cards</a></li> </ul>
Youth, Post-Secondary Students, and Recent Graduates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Canada Emergency Student Benefit (CESB)</a></li> <li><a href="#">Supporting International Students Working in Essential Service</a> (Remove restriction to work only a maximum of 20 hours per week)</li> <li><a href="#">Suspending repayment and interest on student and apprentice loans</a></li> <li><a href="#">Changes to the Canada Student Loans Program</a></li> <li><a href="#">Suspending OSAP re-payments</a> (Ontario)</li> </ul>

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**Full List of Federal Programs Available ([Link](#))**

**List of Provincial Supports Available:**

- **People ([Link](#))**
- **Students & Parents ([Link](#))**
- **Workers ([Link](#))**
- **Announcements and News ([Link](#))**

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## Support for Businesses

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Avoiding Layoffs and Rehiring Employees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><a href="#">Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy</a></li><li><a href="#">Temporary 10% Wage Subsidy</a></li><li><a href="#">Extending Work-Sharing program</a></li><li><a href="#">The COVID-19 Residential Relief Fund (CRRF) for Residential Service Providers</a> (Ontario)</li></ul>
Tax Relief and Deferred Payments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><a href="#">More time to pay income taxes</a></li><li><a href="#">More time to pay provincial taxes</a> (e.g. Employer Health Tax, Insurance Premium Tax)</li><li><a href="#">Deferral of Sales Tax Remittance and Customs Duty Payments until June</a></li><li><a href="#">Waiving tariffs on certain medical goods</a></li><li><a href="#">More time to pay WSIB payments</a> (Ontario)</li><li><a href="#">Temporary doubling of the Employer Health Tax Exemption</a> (Ontario)</li><li><a href="#">Interest and Penalty Relief for Businesses</a> (Ontario)</li></ul>
Access to Credit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><a href="#">Business Credit Availability Program (BCAP)</a></li><li><a href="#">Canada Emergency Business Account (CEBA)</a></li><li><a href="#">Canada Emergency Commercial Rent Assistance (CECRA)</a></li></ul>
Creating New Jobs & Opportunities for Youth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><a href="#">Temporary changes to Canada Summer Jobs program</a> (to receive a higher wage subsidy, applications now closed)</li></ul>
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><a href="#">Electricity relief for residential, farms, and small business consumers</a> (Ontario)</li></ul>

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## Full List of Federal Programs Available ([Link](#))

## List of Provincial Supports Available:

- Businesses ([Link](#))**
- Workers ([Link](#))**
- Announcements and News ([Link](#))**
- COVID-19 Action Plan: Protecting Vulnerable Ontarians ([Link](#))**