

Government of Ontario Small Business Grant

▪ **Deadline: Ongoing in 2021**

Source: *The Ontario Nonprofit Network newsletter*

Ontario nonprofits with paid staff may be eligible for the new Small Business Support Grant.

On January 15, the Ontario government opened applications for the new [Ontario Small Business Support Grant](#). The grant, first announced in December, provides \$10,000 to \$20,000 to eligible small businesses and nonprofits with paid staff that have had to close or significantly restrict their operations due to the Provincewide Shutdown.

Businesses and nonprofits are eligible if they:

- were **required to close or significantly restrict services due to the Provincewide Shutdown** that started December 26. They must be included in the list of eligible businesses, and applicants are requested to select the specific type of business. What's not eligible: "essential workplaces" operating as usual, as well as those that had to shut down prior to the introduction of modified Stage 2 measures on October 10, 2020.
- have between **one and 99 employees** (headcount). Note that volunteer-only nonprofits do not qualify.
- have experienced at least a **20 per cent revenue decline in April 2020 compared to April 2019**. New organizations that started operating since April 2019 are also eligible provided they can demonstrate a comparable revenue decline using different months.





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Application Process:

- The application process is quick and easy. You will need your **CRA business number**, as well as revenue information and number of employees.
- Nonprofits that qualify can expect to receive funds in approximately ten business days, assuming all information is provided.

The list of specific organizations legislated to close because of the Provincewide Shutdown includes community centres and multi-purpose facilities, day camps for children, in-person teaching and instruction, media industries including film and television production, meeting or event spaces, museums, galleries, aquariums, zoos, science centres, landmarks, historic sites, and performing arts and cinemas. [Read the full list.](#)

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