

Grants Available to Businesses

NEW:

- The [Mental Health and Addiction COVID-19 Community Funding grant](#) has been announced for projects and services to enhance community mental health and addiction recovery supports click [HERE](#) for more info and requirements.
- [Emissions Reduction Alberta's](#) new \$40 million Food, Farming, and Forestry [Challenge](#) is now accepting applications! This funding opportunity will accelerate innovation in support of long-term competitiveness and to stimulate growth. It provides near-term capital to innovators in these critical Alberta industries, while also identifying opportunities and solutions for longer term economic recovery, investment attraction, job creation, and emissions reduction.
- The [Agriculture Job Connector](#) an online tool to match workers with Agriculture employers – information, tools and resources to find jobs, skilled workers, financial help and other supports.
- The Federal [Youth Employment and Skills Program](#) (YESP), provides a wage subsidy to employers who hire youth (up to 30) for agricultural jobs - See [here](#) for further info.
- Explore government funding programs that support small business development and growth in Alberta. <https://smallbusiness.alberta.ca/funding-a-business/grants/>
- Multiculturalism, Indigenous and Inclusion grant - The Multiculturalism, Indigenous and Inclusion Grant (MIIG) Program supports initiatives and projects that builds intercultural awareness, and understanding. The Program fosters cultural awareness in communities across the province, and an appreciation and celebration of Indigenous Peoples and multicultural society in Alberta. The Program strives to create a province where people feel included and that their cultures and heritage is valued. For full details click [HERE](#)

Ongoing:

- **The Canada-Alberta Job Grant** (ongoing intake) is a training program where an employer applies on behalf of their employee(s) for eligible training costs. Employers decide who gets training and what type of training may be needed for their employees. www.albertacanada.com/jobgrant
 - Eligible employers are required to contribute a minimum of one-third of the total training costs for existing employees. Government contributes two-thirds of the cost to a maximum of \$10,000 per trainee per fiscal year. If hiring and training an unemployed Albertan, up to 100% of training costs could be covered, up to \$15,000 per trainee.
 - Individual employers will have a cap of \$300,000 for the amount of grant funding they can receive per fiscal year. This ensures that funding is available for as many Alberta employers as possible.
 - The Canada-Alberta Job Grant is available for direct training costs only, including:
 - tuition fees or instructional fees charged by the training provider
 - mandatory student fees
 - examination fees
 - textbooks or software
 - other required materials directly relevant to the training course and distinct from materials required to run the employer's business
- **Indigenous Arts Individual Project Funding** - This funding provides up to \$15,000 to support the development of an individual Indigenous artist, arts administrators, or an ensemble of artists in

Alberta by providing funding for a specific cultural or artistic project. **Application deadlines are September 1, 2020 and March 1, 2021.** Information sheet about the grant and complete guidelines can be found online at: <https://www.affta.ab.ca/funding/find-funding/indigenous-arts-individual-project-funding>

- **Alberta's Export Support Fund** - This funding is to help export ready companies access new international markets. Easing the cost of exporting for Alberta's small and medium sized enterprises (SMEs) by reimbursing up to 50% for a select range of approved export activities. The Export Support Fund supports companies as they look to enter a new international market or a country that currently represents up to 10% of their sales from the previous year. It is open to activities in all countries, provided Canada has not imposed trade or economic sanctions that apply to the proposed activities in a given country. **Application accepted until March 31, 2019.** See www.alberta.ca/export-support-fund.aspx for further details.
- **Canadian Agricultural Partnership Program** - Canadian Agricultural Partnership is a package of 15 programs under five themes that support the unique needs of Alberta's agriculture industry. Programs currently accepting applications can be found at <https://cap.alberta.ca/CAP/Programs>. Call 310-FARM (3276) if you have additional questions.
- **Community Facility Enhancement Program (CFEP)** - Community Facility Enhancement Program (CFEP) funding provides financial assistance to acquire, build, purchase, repair, renovate, upgrade or expand sports, recreational, cultural or other related public-use community facilities. Annual intake is June 15th. For more information please visit: alberta.ca/community-facility-enhancement-program
- **Apprenticeship Incentive Grant for Women**
To further support women in entering, progressing, and completing their training in Red Seal trades where women are underrepresented. The Apprenticeship Incentive Grant for Women (AIG-W) is a taxable cash grant of \$3,000 per year/level (or equivalent) up to a maximum amount of \$6,000 per person. For information:
 - [Apprenticeship Incentive Grant \(AIG\)](#)
 - [Apprenticeship Completion Grant \(ACG\)](#)
- **Regional Innovation Ecosystems (RIE) Are you a western Canadian not-for-profit organization looking for funding to increase the innovation capacity of the region?**
Funding helps create, grow and nurture inclusive regional ecosystems that support business needs. It fosters entrepreneurial environments conducive to innovation, growth and competitiveness, and necessary for more innovative regional economies. For information: wd-deo.gc.ca.