

Ontario Small Business Support Grant Now Open

The Ontario government has opened applications for the **new Ontario Small Business Support Grant**. The grant, first announced in December, provides a minimum of \$10,000 to a maximum of \$20,000 to eligible small businesses who have had to restrict their operations due to the Province-wide Shutdown.

Eligible small businesses include those that:

- Were required to close or significantly restrict services due to the Province -wide Shutdown being imposed across the province effective 12:01 a.m. on December 26.
- Have fewer than 100 employees at the enterprise level.
- Have experienced a **minimum of 20 per cent revenue decline** in April 2020 compared to April 2019. New businesses established since April 2019 will also be eligible if they meet the other eligibility criteria.

We encourage any business that is eligible to submit your application as soon as possible.

Reminder! Businesses impacted by the Province-wide Shutdown are also eligible for additional supports, including the government's program to provide rebates to offset fixed costs such as property tax and energy bills. These rebates will continue to be available for businesses impacted by the Province-wide Shutdown and earlier restrictions.

More information about the Ontario Small Business Support Grant and other rebates is available on **[Ontario.ca/COVIDsupport](https://www.ontario.ca/COVIDsupport)**.