

Small and Medium Sized Business Recovery Grant Program

B.C. Taxi Company Information | March 12, 2021

The [Business Recovery Grant Program](#) provides fully funded grants (the money does NOT need to be paid back) to eligible B.C. businesses to ensure they have the support they need throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. Applications are being accepted until August 31, 2021 or until funds are fully expended, whichever comes first.

If you are a taxi driver that owns and operates your vehicle, you may be eligible to receive the Business Recovery Grant.

Before applying, here are a few tips, specific to your industry:

- You will need to apply for the grant using your own business registration number **NOT** the cab company's legal name or registration.
- If you do not currently have a business registration number, please apply for one through [BC Registries](#) or through the [OneStop Business Registry](#) before applying for the Business Grant program.
- You can use an accountant, bookkeeper, financial planner or lawyer to help create and submit your application for this Grant. These service providers must be registered through Small Business BC to receive a payment of up to \$2,000. The Government of B.C. will only reimburse one service provider per application.
- You must start your application online using your own email address at the following link: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/economic-recovery/business-recovery-grant> (Paper based applications cannot be accepted.)
- Recovery plan ideas can include, but are not limited to:
 - moving to a web-based service
 - adopting cleaner fuel burning vehicle improvements
 - re-upholstering vehicle to ensure cleaning procedures are easier
 - cleaning products/apparatus for riders and cleaning products for owner
 - installing barriers
 - updating payment system for touchless transactions
 - installing communications device for rider/operator to enable easier communication between front and back of vehicle
 - fixed costs like parking space rental

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How much funding is available?	<p>A non repayable base grant of up to \$30,000 is available to eligible small and medium sized B.C. businesses impacted by COVID-19.</p> <p>If your business relies on domestic or international tourism, you may be eligible for an additional \$5,000 to \$15,000.</p>
How does the Grant program work?	<p>The program has two steps:</p> <p><u>Step One: start your application.</u></p> <p>After you apply, the B.C. government adjudicates your application. They will reach out if they have any questions or need more information.</p> <p>Once eligibility is confirmed, you move to:</p> <p><u>Step Two: completing your recovery plan.</u></p>
Grant program information:	<p>Visit the B.C. government's program page to learn how the program works, determine eligibility requirements and see what documents you need to apply.</p> <p>NEW! Please note: Help preparing the entire application package is now available from a registered Small Business BC service provider. Due to large call volumes, there may be a delay and might require an appointment. See the help section for contact information.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • https://gov.bc.ca/businessrecoverygrant • 中小型企业复苏补助金计划 (PDF, 476KB) • 中小型企业復甦補助金計劃 (PDF, 520KB) • ਛੋਟੇ ਅਤੇ ਦਰਮਿਆਨੇ ਆਕਾਰ ਦੇ ਬਿਜ਼ਨਸ ਲਈ ਰਿਕਵਰੀ ਗਰਾਂਟ ਪ੍ਰੋਗਰਾਮ (PDF, 206KB) • Programme de subvention pour la relance des petites et moyennes entreprises (PDF, 82KB) • برنامج منح الإعانة للمشاريع الصغيرة والمتوسطة (PDF, 129KB) • برنامج کمک هزینه بازاریابی برای کسب و کارهای کوچک و متوسط (PDF, 125KB) • 중소기업회복보조금 (PDF, 359KB) • Programa de subvenciones para la recuperación de las pequeñas y medianas empresas (PDF, 75KB) • Programa ng Gawad sa Pagbawi ng Maliit at Katamtamang Laki na Negosyo (PDF, 85KB) • Chương trình Trợ cấp Phục hồi cho Doanh nghiệp Nhỏ và Vừa (PDF, 132KB) • 中小企業回復助成金プログラム (PDF, 491KB)

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Base grant eligibility	<p>A business must meet all eligibility criteria to receive a base grant:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NEW! Businesses only need to show a 30% revenue loss from March 2020 to now when compared to the same one-month period in 2019 • Majority share of the business is owned by one or more B.C. residents • Business has been operating in B.C. for at least 18 months as of the date of application • Business's sole or primary operations are located and conducted in B.C., is registered in B.C., and is current and pays taxes in B.C. (If you do not currently have a business registration number, please apply through BC Registries) • Business is currently operating (seasonal or temporarily closed businesses are eligible) • Business employs up to 149 people in B.C. for at least four months of the calendar year <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Includes businesses that had employees or contracted staff prior to February 1, 2020 ○ For businesses that do not have staff, please tell us in your application how the grant funding will support your recovery and benefit your community • Business had positive cash flow for the last financial statement, prior to February 1, 2020 • Business's ownership has not prepared the business for closure, dissolution or for sale following February 1, 2020
Tourism top-up eligibility	<p>To receive the tourism grant top-up, you must declare that you are a tourism business in your application.</p> <p>You are a tourism business if you cater to persons travelling to and staying in places outside their usual environment for not more than one consecutive year for leisure business and other purposes.</p>
Need help?	<p>If you need help at any step of the way, including preparing the required application documents as well as with language translation and interpretation support, contact:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phone: 1-833-254-4357 • Email: BusinessRecoveryGrantProgram@gov.bc.ca <p>Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm PST (except statutory holidays)</p>