


Social Services Funding Across Peel Region

This guide focuses on funding opportunities across Peel Region in response to COVID-19 that eligible not-for-profit organizations in Peel can access. Please note that information is constantly changing and thus, while care and effort is made to keep this resource page updated, the information can become outdated quickly. Please visit website links for the latest updates.


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Grant description	
<p>COVID-19 Community Funding</p> <p>COVID-19 Emergency Fund - \$1M (Closed) Provides financial assistance to support eligible not-for-profit agencies to provide the necessities of life for vulnerable residents living in Peel.</p> <p>Reaching Home Fund - \$5,846,621 (Open) A community-based program aimed at preventing and reducing homelessness across Canada. The special directives for the emergency fund continue to focus on programs that serve the homeless or those at imminent risk of homelessness during the COVID-19 pandemic.</p> <p>Social Services Relief Fund - \$5,988,400 (Open) To help communities respond to the increased and changing demands for services to the vulnerable, resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic.</p> <p>Website: https://www.peelregion.ca/community-investments/covid-19-community-fund.asp#apply</p> <p>*Capacity, Change and Small Capital Fund will be release in the Fall 2020 (visit CIP website for the latest update)</p>	

Funded by City of Brampton	Contact information
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Grant description	
<p>The Advance Brampton Fund (Closed. Micro Projects Stream reopens July 2, 2020) The Advance Brampton Fund supports Brampton-based organizations in starting up, developing, and amplifying projects that support Brampton's Term of Council Priorities.</p> <p>Marquee Festivals and Events Fund (Closed) The Marquee Festivals and Events Fund focuses on creating local economic impact, supporting the goals of the City's Culture Master Plan, growing the potential of festivals and events as tourism increases, and contributing to building Brampton's identity.</p> <p>Sport Tourism Hosting Program (Closed) The Sport Tourism Hosting Program is an application-based fund that provides financial support to organizations hosting sport tournaments in the City of Brampton.</p> <p>Website: https://www.brampton.ca/EN/City-Hall/grants/Pages/Welcome.aspx</p> <p>COVID-19 Relief Fund for Artists and Arts Organizations (Opens early July) The COVID-19 Relief Fund for Artists and Arts Organizations provides funding relief for Brampton based individual artists and charitable and non-profit arts organizations, to help offset a portion of lost revenue and expenses as a result of COVID-19.</p> <p>Website: https://www.brampton.ca/EN/City-Hall/grants/Pages/Welcome.aspx</p>	


Funded by City of Mississauga	Contact information
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Grant description	
<p>Arts & Culture Grant Program (On Hold) Provides funding for not-for-profit cultural organizations to develop exemplary programs and services; and to advance knowledge, understanding and the appreciation of arts, culture, and heritage for the citizens of Mississauga. Website: www.mississauga.ca/grants</p> <p>Community Grant Program (On Hold) Provides grants for Mississauga based and active not-for-profit organizations. Funding supports the delivery of programs, services and projects that benefit the Mississauga community in the areas of recreation and sport, environment or parks and forestry.</p> <p>Cultural Festivals & Celebrations Grant Program (On Hold) Provides Mississauga-based organizations with funding for eligible operating expenses for the presentation of arts, heritage and cultural festivals and celebrations in Mississauga. Website: www.mississauga.ca/grants</p> <p>Culture Projects Grant (On Hold) Provides project-based grants which fund cultural organizations to expose more individuals, communities and areas of the City to culture; develop strong collaborations; and encourage more cultural practitioners to create a wider variety of cultural experiences for the City of Mississauga. Website: www.mississauga.ca/grants</p> <p>Small Project Matching Grants (Closed) An amount from \$250-\$2500 can be requested to support a specific NEW initiative that is outside the normal range of activity for the applicant to be implemented and completed in 2020. Website: http://www.mississauga.ca/portal/residents/community-groups-community-grant-program</p> <p>Community Group Registry Program (Open) This program is available to non-profit, volunteer-based community groups operating within Mississauga or the Region of Peel. Once approved, Registered Groups can access City support and benefits including discounted rental rates, permission to promote programs and activities on mobile signs, eligibility to apply for Community Grants and Small Project Matching Grants (details above), and more! Website: http://www.mississauga.ca/portal/residents/community-groups-registry-program Directly Contact: community.group@mississauga.ca</p>	


Funded by Town of Caledon	Contact information
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Grant description	
<p>Municipal, Agricultural and Community Grants (MACG) (On Hold) The Town of Caledon’s Municipal, Agricultural and Community Grant Program is intended to support organizations with goals and objectives that support the 2018-2022 Council Work Plan. Website: https://www.caledon.ca/en/live/municipal-agricultural-and-community-grants.asp</p>	

Funded by United Way Greater Toronto	Contact information
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Grant description	
<p>Local Love Emergency Fund (Closed) This Fund has invested \$1 million to support more than 70 projects across the GTA. UWGT is moving quickly to identify projects with a 24- to 48-hour turnaround time and will continue to send emergency funding into the community until this crisis is over.</p> <p>Federal Funding</p> <p>New Horizons for Seniors Program (Closed) United Way Greater Toronto administered the federal government’s New Horizons for Seniors Program – we allocated a total of \$850,000 to 51 agencies serving vulnerable seniors in the GTA.</p> <p>Emergency Community Support Fund (Closed) The federal government has launched a \$350-million Emergency Community Support Fund. It is partnering with United Way Centraide Canada to disburse a portion of these funds to local agencies. United Way Greater Toronto is working with the government and United Way Centraide to understand how many dollars will be allocated to our network.</p> <p>Website: https://www.unitedwaygt.org/investments</p>	

Funded by Community Foundation of Mississauga	Contact information
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Grant description	
<p>Emergency Community Support Fund (Open) The Government of Canada’s Emergency Community Support Fund (ECSF) is providing additional and much-needed assistance to charities and non-profit organizations supporting the most vulnerable in our community through national partnerships that include Community Foundations of Canada.</p> <p>The Community Foundation of Mississauga is proud to be a partner in delivering ECSF funding locally in Mississauga to ensure that our most vulnerable citizens are safe and healthy. Through the ECSF, we will be investing \$1.3 Million in grants to local charities and qualified donees supporting vulnerable populations. Grants of up to \$75,000 will be considered. Vulnerable populations continue to be disproportionately affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. We look forward to hearing how the Community Foundation can help your organization respond to support our community.</p> <p>Website: https://www.cfofm.org/ecsf</p>	

Funded by Community Foundation of Brampton and Caledon	Contact information
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Grant description	
<p>COVID-19 Emergency Community Support Fund (Open) Launched on May 19, 2020, the Government of Canada is providing funding to Charities (Qualified Donees) and Not-for-Profit Organizations through Community Foundations of Canada, United Way Centraide and the Canadian Red Cross. The Brampton and Caledon Community Foundation, as a partner in the ECSF program, will be distributing approximately \$1.2 million in support of Charities in Brampton and Caledon. Grants, to a maximum of \$75,000, are available from the Brampton and Caledon Community Foundation.</p> <p>Website: www.bramptoncaledoncf.ca</p>	

Funded by Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Toronto	Contact information
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Grant description	
<p>Social Services Funding (Closed)</p> <p>Catholic Charities is responsible for the allocation of funds to its member agencies. There are currently some 25 member agencies of Catholic Charities in the City of Toronto, regional cities of Peel, York and Durham, and Simcoe County. Most agencies receive some funding from Catholic Charities. Catholic Charities receives its funding primarily from ShareLife, the fundraising initiative of the Archdiocese of Toronto.</p> <p>Only open to member agencies.</p> <p>Website: http://www.catholiccharitiestor.org/About/Programs.aspx</p>	

Funded by Government of Ontario	Contact information
<p>Ontario </p> <p>For all Government of Ontario latest updates visit Ontario's Action Plan: Responding to COVID 19</p> <p>Website: https://budget.ontario.ca/2020/marchupdate/action-plan.html</p>	<p>MCCSS and MOH organizations are welcome to contact their respective ministry representative for more information.</p> <p>Ministry of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries – Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility</p> <p>Lorraine Hogan Regional Development Advisor Halton-Peel lorraine.hogan@ontario.caw</p>
Grant description	
<p>Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services (MCCSS)</p> <p>The province is implementing a COVID-19 Action Plan for Vulnerable People to better protect those living in high risk settings including homes serving those with developmental disabilities, shelters for survivors of gender-based violence and human trafficking and children's residential settings. As part of this plan, \$40M is available provincially to support organizations that provide residential services for children and youth, people with developmental disabilities and emergency shelters for women and families fleeing domestic violence.</p> <p>MCCSS are eligible to apply.</p> <p>Website: https://www.ontario.ca/page/covid-19-action-plan-protecting-vulnerable-ontarians</p> <p>Supports Victims of Gender-Based Violence and Human Trafficking during COVID-19 (Open)</p> <p>\$1 million provincially to help frontline agencies adapt to remote service delivery and ensure continued operation during COVID-19. Eligible organizations will be invited to apply.</p> <p>Website: https://news.ontario.ca/mcys/en/2020/05/ontario-further-supports-victims-of-gender-based-violence-and-human-trafficking-during-covid-19.html</p> <p>Continued on page 5</p>	



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Grant description

Ministry of Francophone Affairs (Open)

The Francophone Community Grants Program (FCGP) is a discretionary, non-entitlement, application-based grant program launched in 2017 by the Ministry of Francophone Affairs to support projects directly benefiting the Franco-Ontarian community. A funding envelope of one million dollars (\$1M) has been allocated to the Program for the 2019-20 fiscal year and will continue to support local cultural and community initiatives across the province. We don't have a date right now for the next intake, but the information will be posted on TPON when available:

Website: <https://news.ontario.ca/ofa/en/2019/06/francophone-community-grants-program.html>

Ministry of Health

Latest updates can be found by visiting

Website: <https://budget.ontario.ca/2020/marchupdate/>

Ontario Increasing Mental Health Support During COVID-19 (Open)

News release that outlines investments in additional resources to improve access to online and virtual supports for mental health and addictions services. These services will help people experiencing anxiety, stress and other mental health challenges, including people who are unable to access their regular in-person counselling supports.

Website: <https://news.ontario.ca/opo/en/2020/04/ontario-increasing-mental-health-support-during-covid-19>

Ministry of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries

Tourism Recovery Fund (Open Soon)

Supports projects that encourage three key streams: tourism investment, tourism product development and industry capacity building. The Tourism Recovery Fund (former Tourism Development Fund) will be launched to help the sector with recovery. Details will be posted on TPON when available:

Website: <http://www.grants.gov.on.ca/GrantsPortal/en/OntarioGrants/GrantOpportunities/PRD11576119>

Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility

New Ontario Community Support Program (Open)

The Ministry looks to assist low-income seniors and people with disabilities in need. The Government is partnering with the Ontario Community Support Association (OSCA) to provide delivery of meals, medicines and other essential items to those in need during COVID-19.

Website: www.ontariocommunitysupport.ca

SPARK Ontario (Open)

\$100,000 investment to support the province's first bilingual volunteer hub connecting volunteers with community organizations that support vulnerable Ontarians.

Website: www.sparkontario.ca

Seniors Centres Without Walls (Open)

The Government has partnered with the Older Adults Centres Association of Ontario to help implement the Seniors Centres Without Walls model of programming, where isolated seniors can participate in group programs over the phone.


Website: <http://www.oacao.org/>

Seniors Community Grant Program (Open)

The Seniors Community Grant program funds community projects promoting the engagement, health and well being of older Ontarians.

Website: <http://www.grants.gov.on.ca/GrantsPortal/en/OntarioGrants/GrantOpportunities/PRD11576119>

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Funded by Federal Government	Contact information
	<p>Please see website https://www.canada.ca/en/department-finance/economic-response-plan.html</p>
Grant description	
<p>People who need it most</p> <p>Improving access to essential food support (Open) We are providing \$100 million to national, regional, and local organizations across Canada to purchase, transport and distribute food and other basic necessities, hire temporary help to fill volunteer shortages, and implement safety measures, such as the purchase of personal protective equipment, to reduce the spread of COVID-19 among volunteers and clients.</p> <p>Supporting people experiencing homelessness (Open) We continue to support people experiencing homelessness during the COVID-19 outbreak by providing \$157.5 million to the Reaching Home initiative. The funding could be used for a range of needs such as purchasing beds and physical barriers for social distancing and securing accommodation to reduce overcrowding in shelters. Direct Peel Funding: Peel's Reaching Home Fund: https://www.peelregion.ca/community-investments/covid-19-community-fund.asp#apply</p> <p>Supporting women and children fleeing violence (Open) We provided support to women's shelters and sexual assault centres, including facilities in Indigenous communities, to help manage and prevent a COVID-19 outbreak in their facilities.</p> <p>Delivering essential services to those in need (Open) We invested \$350 million to support vulnerable Canadians through charities and non-profit organizations that deliver essential services to those in need. The investment will flow through national organizations that have the ability to get funds quickly to local organizations that serve vulnerable populations. Direct Peel Funding: please see Community Foundations of Mississauga: Community Foundation of Brampton & Caledon, United Way of Greater Toronto, The Canadian Red Cross</p> <p>Non-profit and charitable</p> <p>Supporting public health efforts through the Canadian Red Cross (Open) We are providing \$100 million to the Canadian Red Cross to enhance their response capacity and to support public health efforts. The Canadian Red Cross is making supports available to community organizations across the country, as they deliver services to those who are most vulnerable to the health, social and economic impacts of COVID-19. Direct Website: https://www.redcross.ca/how-we-help/current-emergency-responses/covid-19-%E2%80%93-novel-coronavirus/information-for-community-organizations-affected-by-covid-19/granting-program</p> <p>Red Cross Preventing Disease Transmission Training and Equipment (Open) This program is designed for community organizations operating on the frontlines of the COVID-19 response to ensure the health and wellbeing of their staff and volunteers so that they can continue to provide vital services to vulnerable populations who are in urgent need of their support. Direct Website: https://www.redcross.ca/how-we-help/current-emergency-responses/covid-19-%E2%80%93-novel-coronavirus/information-for-community-organizations-affected-by-covid-19/preventing-disease-transmission-training-and-equipment-program</p> <p>Enabling Accessibility Fund (EAF) (Open) Grant of up to \$100,000. Through EAF small projects component to improve accessibility and safety for persons with disabilities. This grant can be used for construction, renovation, or retrofit of community facilities and workplaces. Website: https://www.canada.ca/en/department-finance/economic-response-plan.html</p>	