



April 1, 2020

Dear Presidents,

**RE: Details on the Government of Canada's Wage Subsidy Program**

As promised, I received some details about the 75% wage subsidy. Unfortunately, the details for non-profits might still be in the works for those not quite meeting the 30% revenue loss definition (all community associations would but some other members might not....so you need to wait a bit longer as they are working on the details). There will also be a 3-6-week delay to operationalize it and there will be a high level of accountability placed on it, with real consequences if not utilized correctly.

Here is the government link:

<https://www.canada.ca/en/department-finance/news/2020/04/government-announces-details-of-the-canada-emergency-wage-subsidy-to-help-businesses-keep-canadians-in-their-jobs.html>

Subsidy particulars:

- Entity demonstrates a 30% decline in "gross" revenues (they are still working out the details for non-profits that define revenues differently)
- Up to 75% of salary up to \$58,700 per employee or \$847 per week per employee
- Retroactive to March 15, 2020
- 3 months to June 6, 2020
- They are developing the "application" process likely through My CRA portal (3 to 6 weeks out) – payments (direct deposits to entity) will take a few weeks after approval
- Employer will have to attest to everything and that they can pay the remaining 25% to employees
- Need to re-apply every month
- Consequence (fines and jail time) for making false claims

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Finally, for those organizations that do not qualify for the Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy may qualify for the previously announced wage subsidy of 10 per cent of remuneration paid from March 18 to before June 20, up to a maximum subsidy of \$1,375 per employee and \$25,000 per employer.

I hope this information is helpful.

Stay healthy and well.

Sincerely,

Leslie Evans,  
Executive Director

PS: On a final note, you might have seen a few messages about our annual satisfaction survey....could I ask you to help us out? The survey takes approximately 10 minutes to complete. [Click here](#) to take our survey by the **April 12 deadline**.

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