



# FINANCIAL AIDS



HELPING WOMEN NOW

## BILLS and FINANCIAL SUPPORT

### **Student Loan Payment Relief**

All BC and federal student loan payments will be paused for 6 months starting on March 30th, 2020.

<https://studentaidbc.ca/news/general/covid-19-coronavirus-information-bulletin-updated-march-26-2020>

### **BC Hydro Bill Relief Plan**

An emergency relief fund grant (does not need to be repaid) has applications opening April 6th, 2020. The Customer Crisis Fund Grant is also still available.

\*\*\*No Hydro disconnections will be made during COVID 19\*\*\*  
1 800 224 9376

<https://app.bchydro.com/accounts-billing/bill-payment/ways-to-pay/covid-19-relief-fund/residential.html>

### **New Westminster Electric Utility Bill Relief**

3 month credit is an option for people who have lost or are losing their job.  
604-527-4555

### **Best English Plain Language Guide to all of the COVID-19 Government Supports from the Provincial and Federal Governments**

Up to date Google Doc with supports listed from each Province and the Federal Government.

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1IOJn7XS6ETIkblRodYk681M\\_2dxkkQsc/view](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1IOJn7XS6ETIkblRodYk681M_2dxkkQsc/view)

### **Canadian Emergency Response Benefit**

A \$500 per week benefit that must be applied for in 1 month blocks.

Available for 16 weeks.

1-833-784-4397

<https://www.canada.ca/en/services/benefits/ei/cerb-application.html>

### **B.C. Emergency Benefit for Workers**

A one time \$1000.00 payment to workers who have lost their job due to COVID-19. For BC residents only and must be receiving EI or the CERB to be eligible.

1-888-COVID19

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/employment-business/covid-19-financial-supports/emergency-benefit-workers>

### **Major Canadian Banks COVID-19 Plan**

List of major banks and their urls for COVID-19 support.

<https://cba.ca/mortgage-deferral-to-help-canadians-experiencing-financial-hardship-due-to-covid-19>