

Community Grants for Small Businesses & NFPs

Canada Post Community Foundation

Provides grants to Canadian schools, charities and organizations (including child care) in an effort to make a difference in the lives of children in Canadian communities. The application period is open from March to April.

WorkBC

Supports unemployed, underemployed and low-skilled British Columbians to obtain essential, transferable and certified skills to increase their job security and obtain good-paying jobs. The stream will fund training for an ECE or ECEA certificate (100% of funding covered) and an ITE/SNE certificate (60% of funding covered). Once approved, the employer will pay for the course of study and the grant will reimburse the employer once the course is completed.

Notes: Your employee will need to complete a profile once the grant is approved; ensure that they are using a correct NCOC identification number that describes their current training level.

Canada Summer Jobs

Is an initiative of the Youth Employment Strategy, which is the Government of Canada's commitment to help young people between the ages of 15 and 30. The program provides wage subsidies to employers to create quality summer work experiences for young people. Applications typically open in January each year.

Grants to Assist with Child Care Education

Open Door Group

The Opportunities Fund is a FREE federally funded program offering childcare providers wage subsidies and recruitment services.

ECE Education Support Fund

Two funding streams available.

1. The Early Childhood Education (ECE) Student Bursary Program; and
2. The ECE Workforce Development Bursary Fund Program

Bursary Funds Available for Good Beginnings Training

BC Family Child Care Association in partnership with the Ministry of Children and Family Development are pleased to offer funding to promote the training of child care providers in the province of British Columbia. Effective September 1st, 2020 until March 31st, 2021, participants will be eligible to apply for reimbursement of a portion of their training costs upon successful completion of the Good Beginnings course. [Bursary Application](#)

WorkBC

TRAINING & EDUCATION

Most jobs require some form of education or training. Get qualified through a variety of post-secondary options

MCFD Operational Funding

Child Care Operating Fund (CCOF)

Child Care Operating Funding (CCOF) is provided to child care operators monthly and is calculated as a per-registered-child amount.

Child Care Free Education Initiative (CCFRI)

The Child Care Fee Reduction Initiative (CCFRI) is a subsidy to reduce fees for parents. The child care program "opts in" to the fee reduction program, and receives a set monthly amount per registered child, to offset tuition fees. This funding comes with strings attached, including the need to have child care fee increases reviewed and approved by MCFD.

ECE Wage Enhancement (WE)

The Early Childhood Educator Wage Enhancement is for ECE's, ITE's and SNE's working in licensed child care facilities receiving the CCFRI. It is provided for qualified staff, at the rate of \$2.00/hour, to a maximum amount of monthly hours worked by the Educator. Reporting is required, including the Educator's name, license number, rate of pay, and hours worked.

MCFD

Child Care Maintenance Fund

The Childcare BC Maintenance Fund helps licensed child care facilities address *emergency repair issues* that may impact children's health, safety, or well-being.

For emergency repair or replacement, eligible applicants may receive, per fiscal year:

- Up to \$10,000 per facility for non-profit licensed Group Child Care, Multi-Age Child Care, and Preschool providers;
- Up to \$5,000 per facility for private licensed Group Child Care, Multi-Age Child Care, and Preschool providers that are not operating from a property that may be used as a home or dwelling; and
- Up to \$2,000 per facility for licensed personal residence providers, regardless of licence type.

Child Care New Spaces Fund

The BC Maintenance Fund helps to fund the creation of new licensed child care space.

- Two application windows - with the first closing in May 2020 and the second in November 2020
- Priority for projects with a provincially funded cost per space of under \$40,000
- Professional, administrative and consulting services costs to be no more than 15% of the total provincially funded project costs

Child Care Relocation Fund

The BC Maintenance Fund helps licensed child care facilities with funding to help cover the cost of required relocation due to emergency circumstances. To be eligible, a provider must not operate from a property that can be used as a home or dwelling.

For the required relocation of a licensed facility, eligible applicants may receive, per fiscal year:

- Up to \$50,000 per child care facility for non-profit licensed group child care, multi-age child care, and preschool providers;
- Up to \$25,000 per child care facility for private licensed group child care, multi-age child care, and preschool providers.