

Community Futures Boundary (CFB) offices are no longer taking inperson appointments or walk-in visits however, we are available to serve you through virtual channels. The health and safety of our staff, their families and our community is critical as we continue to do our part.

The COVID 19 pandemic is currently affecting every community, industry and business in Canada. Community Futures offices across Canada have been working to develop and implement strategies to help entrepreneurs and small businesses cope with impacts of market disruption, business closures, travel interruptions and the need for social distancing in their communities.

Community Futures Boundary (CFB) is taking two immediate steps to provide assistance to entrepreneurs and small businesses in our service area.

First, we are providing a 3-month **Payment Relief Program** for all of our current clients. CFB is suspending interest and waiving fees and payments until June 30, 2020 so that our clients have one less thing to worry about. We are reaching out directly to each of our existing clients with this offer.

Second, CFB is offering a special repayable term loan product. This emergency credit facility is aimed at helping entrepreneurs and small businesses remain operational and/or cope with lost business during this exceptional time. Existing businesses in our service are eligible to apply for an emergency loan of up to \$20,000 with limited security requirements, pragmatic terms and conditions, and a rapid response time. We are also continuing to offer all of our regular term loan options.

We recognize that the businesses in our communities are vital and that they are vulnerable to the inescapable economic effects of this pandemic. We are working with our partners, including all levels of government, Chambers of Commerce, business associations and other service providers, to respond to the evolving and growing needs of our business community.



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