

## Food Program Funding Opportunities

Ensuring everyone has access to food is an important part of the COVID-19 response. The following table offers potential funding opportunities for community based food programs. If you know of, or represent, a community based organization that supports food access, some of these grants might be helpful.

The grants are organized into the following funding opportunities:

- Indigenous and First Nations
- Provincial grants offered to communities and local governments
- Agriculture planning and support
- Schools and school-aged children
- Federal funding
- Large scale funding for community food systems planning

Each grant has specific eligibility guidelines, so be sure to read the information in detail.

Source	Details	Deadline	Website & Contact Information
<b>Indigenous/First Nations Funding Opportunities</b>			
Indigenous Services Canada (ISC)	ISC has a food security team whose responsibility it is to support communities to ensure food security needs are met.	<b>No deadline at this time</b>	For more information visit <a href="#">ISC webpage</a> , or email: <a href="mailto:aadnc.iscbccovid19.aandc@canada.ca">aadnc.iscbccovid19.aandc@canada.ca</a>
Indigenous Peoples Resilience Fund	Grants of \$5000 - \$30,000 are available for any <b>Indigenous-led or Indigenous-serving organizations</b> working to foster resilience in <b>Inuit, Metis, and First Nations communities</b> . Example of eligible projects are those responding to <b>sustainable access to food and strengthened local food systems</b> .  The Indigenous Peoples Resilience Fund (IPRF) is an Indigenous-led effort of Community Foundations Canada to respond to urgent community needs while	<b>Application deadline July 31<sup>st</sup> 2020</b>	Please see <a href="#">Applicant Guide here</a>  For more information visit the Community Foundations Canada webpage: <a href="#">Indigenous Peoples Resilience Fund</a>

	taking a long-term view on building community resilience.		
Jordan's Principle (JP)	Expenses can continue to be submitted to JP even if related to specific supports to respond to COVID-19. <b>If request is food security related, you are advised to go through the Indigenous Services Canada Food Security Team.</b>	<b>No deadline at this time</b>	Email: <a href="mailto:aadnc.iscbccovid19.aandc@canada.ca">aadnc.iscbccovid19.aandc@canada.ca</a>
BC Indigenous Agriculture Development Program	The program provides two steps of financial support to work with a BC Ministry of Agriculture pre-approved Qualified Business Consultant. Services include feasibility analysis, financial and business planning and skills development for agriculture and food production and processing, including for community food security.	<b>No deadline at this time; currently accepting applications</b>	For more information visit the <a href="#">BC government webpage</a> ,  or email <a href="mailto:AgriBusiness@gov.bc.ca">AgriBusiness@gov.bc.ca</a> or call 1-888-221-7141.
Second Harvest: FoodRescue.ca Emergency Fund – Indigenous Application	The FoodRescue.ca Emergency Fund is an emergency response initiative that can provide both <b>financial and food support</b> through Second Harvest's FoodRescue.ca. This funding and food support <b>are available to Indigenous-led organizations, Indigenous community groups, First Nations, Metis and Inuit communities</b> supporting people through food programs and initiatives.	<b>The application deadline has been extended to July 31, 2020</b>	For more information, please visit the Emergency Funding Page: <a href="https://secondharvest.ca/emergency-funding/">https://secondharvest.ca/emergency-funding/</a>  <b>Application Forms:</b> <a href="#">English Online Application</a> <a href="#">English Application Download – Fillable Form</a> <a href="#">French Online Application</a> <a href="#">French Application Download – Fillable Form</a>
<b>Provincial Community Grants and Funds</b>			

<p>Food Banks BC emergency food funding</p>	<p>\$3 million for emergency food relief</p> <p>Eligibility:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An organization that regularly provides food hampers at no cost; multiple days' worth of food/groceries for people to take home to prepare and consume;</li> <li>• Has charitable status with Canada Revenue Agency;</li> <li>• Has been in operation as a food bank for at least 1 year.</li> </ul>	<p><b>First come, first served, until money runs out</b></p>	<p>For more information and to apply, visit <a href="#">Food banks BC</a></p>
<p>Vancouver Foundation Community Response Fund</p>	<p>Grants from \$10,000-15,000 to support qualified recipients in BC who are providing front-line services to vulnerable populations whose staff, volunteers, programs, and operations have been disproportionately impacted by COVID-19. <b>Current priority</b> is to support charities in <b>the Lower Mainland and the Fraser Valley</b>, but accepting requests from areas outside those two regions to help assess need and determine when to expand our criteria.</p> <p>Funding will be offered as flexible operating grants that allow charities to maintain or expand services to vulnerable populations affected by quarantine, closures, shortages, access to services, loss of income, or other economic impacts.</p>	<p><b>No deadline at this time</b></p>	<p>For more information visit the <a href="#">Vancouver Foundation webpage</a></p>
<p>Safeway Community Involvement Grants</p>	<p>Safeway's giving priorities primarily focus on building healthy communities by supporting human health and nutrition, hunger prevention, people with disabilities and community based activities.</p>	<p><b>No deadline at this time</b></p>	<p><b>Visit your local store for in-kind product donations under \$100.</b></p>

	Two funding streams: under \$100 and over \$100		<p>To apply for a donation, all requests must be provided using the application form and delivered to the attention of the Store Manager of your local Safeway store.</p> <p>Only requests for the immediate surrounding community will be considered; multiple store donation requests not permitted.</p> <p><b>Donations exceeding \$100</b> should be submitted using the <a href="#">Community Support application form</a></p> <p>For more information <a href="#">visit Safeway's webpage</a></p>
Government of British Columbia – Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program	<p>The BC Government is accepting applications from <b>local governments, community groups, and First Nations</b> for <b>~\$160 million in infrastructure grants</b> to help strengthen communities throughout British Columbia. Applications are still open for two of the key areas:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Community, Culture, and Recreation Infrastructure</li> <li>2. Rural and Northern Communities Infrastructure</li> </ol>	<p>Community, Culture and Recreation Infrastructure – Intake open until <b>October 1, 2020</b></p> <p>Rural and Northern Communities Infrastructure – Intake open until <b>October 22, 2020</b></p>	<p>For more information visit the <a href="#">Canada Infrastructure Program webpage</a></p> <p>For the specific key areas visit:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <a href="#">Community, Culture and Recreation Infrastructure</a></li> <li>2. <a href="#">Rural and Northern Communities Infrastructure</a></li> </ol>
<b>Agricultural Planning Funding Opportunities</b>			
BC Farmers' Market Online financial support	Government of BC is providing \$55,000 to the BC Association of Farmers' Markets to cover fees for individual markets to join the online platform and	N/A	As they open, information about active BC Farmers' Markets Online will be

	establish their digital market store presence. Each participating farmers' market will create their own virtual market store to best serve their community		added to the <a href="#">BC Farmers' Market webpage</a>
Ag Tech Talks	A free community-based project to support farmers, food processors, and others in the food industry who are struggling right now to stay in business.	<b>Dates of various meetings <a href="#">on webpage</a></b>	For more information visit <a href="#">Ag Tech Talks webpage</a>
Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (AAFC)	AAFC has announced the launch of the second call for proposals under the Local Food Infrastructure Fund, which is intended to strengthen food support organizations and to help improve access to safe and nutritious food for Canadians at risk  The second call for proposals will <b>support small and large community-led food projects</b> at facilities such as urban gardens, community kitchens, food banks, and greenhouses. <b>It could also support a cluster of organizations who are ready to enhance their regional food systems</b>	<b>Applications accepted until March 31<sup>st</sup> 2024</b>	For more information, visit the <a href="#">Agriculture and Agri-Food Fund</a>
Young Agrarians	A variety of financial and other supports are available for farmers and small business. Resources include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Financial Supports</li> <li>• Farm &amp; Agri-Sector Resources</li> <li>• Free Educational Courses</li> <li>• Information for Farm Workers</li> <li>• Sales &amp; Distribution</li> <li>• Health &amp; Wellbeing</li> <li>• Business Risk Management</li> </ul>	<b>Visit the webpage for information on each resource</b>	Visit the <a href="#">Young Agrarian webpage</a> for more information

**Schools/School Aged Children Funding Opportunities**

Vancouver Sun Adopt a School Program	The Vancouver Sun Children’s Fund Society’s board is liquidating \$100,000 from an emergency fund to be used to assist new programs to ensure students continue to receive food during the COVID-19 crisis school closures.	<b>No deadline – grants are being evaluated as they come in</b>	For more information <a href="#">visit Van Sun Kids Fund</a>  For questions, contact: Michelle Roebuck <a href="mailto:mroebuck@postmedia.com">mroebuck@postmedia.com</a> or <a href="http://vansunkidsfund.ca">vansunkidsfund.ca</a>  P: (604) 605-2264
Breakfast Club of Canada	Breakfast Club of Canada is issuing special grants for community organizations to help ensure children and families have access to food during the crisis.	<b>No deadline at this time</b>	For more information visit <a href="#">Breakfast Club of Canada</a>
President’s Choice  School Nutrition Grant          Nutrition Education Grant	Up to \$10,000 <b>to cover costs associated with purchasing food for daily school meal programs.</b> This grant is intended to <b>supplement</b> the funding of <b>existing programs</b> , allowing for higher quality, more sustainable programming.          Up to \$10,000 to <b>cover the costs associated with programs</b> like cooking classes, farm tours, dietitian services, or equipment like green houses, growing towers, composting systems, food field trips like farm tours and cooking classes.	<b>Applications submitted:</b>          <b>after May 30<sup>th</sup> 2020 will be reviewed and notified monthly</b>	For more information on both grants, <a href="#">visit PC Children’s Charity</a>
<b>Federal Grants</b>			

Second Harvest	<p>New funding program to help local community organizations from across the country to access either food, funding, or both</p> <p>This grant is part of the \$100 million the Federal Government has dedicated food programs across Canada</p>	<b>No deadline at this time</b>	To register as an organization and to apply for funding, visit <a href="http://foodrescue.ca">foodrescue.ca</a>
Community Food Centres Canada – The Good Food Access Fund	<p>The Good Food Access Fund helps organizations to provide emergency relief during COVID-19</p> <p>This grant is part of the \$100 million the Federal Government has dedicated food programs across Canada</p>	<b>No deadline at this time</b>	<p>For more information visit <a href="#">Community Food Centres Canada</a></p> <p>To apply visit <a href="#">Good Food Access Fund</a></p>

<p>Federal Emergency Community Support Fund</p>	<p>The <a href="#">Emergency Community Support Fund</a> is now available. This funding involves three partners:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community Foundations Canada</li> <li>• United Way of Northern BC</li> <li>• Canadian Red Cross</li> </ul> <p><b>Your organization can apply to 1 of 3. To see which funding stream your organization is eligible for, review the <a href="#">Application Guide</a> and <a href="#">review the infographic</a> to see where you can apply</b></p>		
<p>Community Foundations Canada</p>	<p>Community Foundations contribute time, leadership, <b>and financial support to local initiatives</b>, helping people give back where their communities need it most. With an intimate knowledge of local priorities, community foundations champion what matters most by directing grants, expertise, leadership, and other investments towards everything from shelter, education, and care for those in need, to the arts, environment and recreation.</p>	<p><b>Applications must be submitted before the end of the day on July 27, 2020 for activities occurring between April 1, 2020 and March 31, 2021.</b></p>	<p>Visit <a href="#">Community Foundations Canada</a> for more information</p> <p><u>Participating Foundations:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Bulkley Valley</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Gwaii Trust</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Prince George</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Quesnel</a></li> </ul>
<p>United Way of Northern BC</p>	<p>Emergency Community Support Fund: Community service agencies can now apply for emergency funding through the Emergency Community Support Fund (ECSF). These funds are for you to respond to COVID-19 in your community.</p>	<p><b>Initial decisions will be made early June</b></p>	<p>To find the United Way Centraide office where your agency should apply for funding visit: <a href="#">United Way Centraide</a></p>



<p>Canadian Red Cross (CRC)</p>	<p>Just over \$708 00 is available to communities in northern BC</p> <p>The CRC has created grants for non-profits across Canada to support their direct service delivery to those who are most vulnerable to the health, social, and economic impacts of COVID-19. Grants can help to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Respond to increased demand for vital goods and services as a result of COVID-19.</li> <li>• Adapt or realign existing service delivery and programming to a COVID-19 reality.</li> <li>• Deliver new vital services or programming as a result of new needs or losses arising as a result of COVID-19.</li> <li>• Recruit, engage and support volunteers to deliver services required to respond to COVID-19.</li> <li>• Support efforts to increase community awareness, information and education related to COVID-19</li> </ul>	<p><b>No deadline at this time</b></p>	<p>For more information, and to apply, visit <a href="#">The Canadian Red Cross</a></p>
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**Large Scale Funding To Support Community Food Systems**

Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) Funding

The 2030 Agenda is a 15-year global framework centered on 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Up to \$100,000 for projects that will identify and implement innovative approaches or complement and augment existing activities in order to work toward achieving 2 or more of the following objectives:

- Enhancing multi-stakeholder efforts in support of the 2030 Agenda
- Raising awareness and support for the 2030 Agenda in Canada
- Ensuring that Canada’s progress on the 2030 Agenda is inclusive of vulnerable or marginalized groups
- Fostering and integrating Indigenous and local knowledge into approaches and efforts to achieve the 2030 Agenda

**No deadline at this time**

For more information, visit the [SDGs Funding Program webpage](#)

<p>Community Gaming Grants</p>	<p>\$100-250k, funds expand upon <u>pre-existing programs</u> that have been in place for at least 1 year.</p> <p>Multiple streams:</p> <p>Environment → ecosystem conservation, public education, climate action, promotion of agriculture/food production/local food systems, wildlife rescue and rehabilitation</p> <p>Human and social services → food security, child and youth programs, Indigenous wellness</p>	<p><b>Apply between July 1- August 31<sup>st</sup> 2020</b></p> <p><b>Apply between August 1 - November 30<sup>th</sup> 2020</b></p>	<p>For more information, visit the <a href="#">Community Gaming Grants webpage</a></p>
<p>Indigenous Agriculture and Food Systems Initiative</p>	<p>Funds up to \$500,000 per year, multiple year funding available. Eligible activities categorized into two streams:</p> <p>Community readiness and pre-development support activities; and</p> <p>Supporting Indigenous agriculture and food systems projects.</p>	<p><b>Proposals accepted until September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022</b></p>	<p>For more information, visit the <a href="#">Indigenous Agriculture and Food Systems Initiative guide</a></p>

**\*\* Please visit the organizations' websites to gather updated information.**