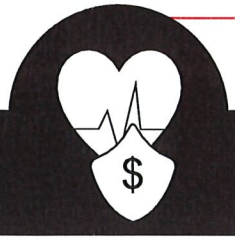
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SERVICE CANADA

READY TO HELP — SENIORS



We are ready to help Canadians through the COVID-19 outbreak. Find financial help during COVID-19: **Covid-benefits.alpha.canada.ca/en/start**

Canada COVID-19 App and Daily Symptom Tracker
The app will support you to track your symptoms, receive the latest updates, and access trusted resources.

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE (EI) PROGRAM

We made temporary changes to the Employment Insurance (EI) program to better support Canadians looking for work. As of September 27, you may be eligible for EI if you:

- were employed for at least 120 insurable hours in the past 52 weeks
- received the CERB, the 52 week period to accumulate insured hours will be extended
- stopped working through no fault of your own
- have not quit your job voluntarily
- are ready, willing and capable of working each day (EI regular benefits)
- are temporarily unable to work while you care for someone else or yourself (EI maternity, parental, sickness, compassionate care, and family caregiver benefits)

If you are eligible for EI benefits, you will receive a minimum taxable benefit at a rate of $500 per week, or $300 per week for extended parental benefits. If you are not eligible for EI, you may be eligible for the proposed new benefits:

- Canada Recovery Benefit (CRB)
- Canada Recovery Sickness Benefit (CRSB)
- Canada Recovery Caregiving Benefit (CRCB)

https://bit.ly/368vygl

1-800-206-7218

REGISTERED RETIREMENT INCOME FUNDS

We reduced the required minimum withdrawals from Registered Retirement Income Funds (RRIFs) by 25 per cent for 2020.

https://bit.ly/3bstRtv

UNITED WAY CANADA

We are contributing $9 million through United Way Canada for local organizations to support practical services to Canadian seniors. Contact your local organization:

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Unitedway.ca/how-we-help/find-your-uwc/

Not sure if you need to repay the **Canada Emergency Response Benefit**? Go to **Canada.ca/repay-cerb** or call **1-833-966-2099.**

For a complete list of programs, services and resources available through the Government of Canada visit: **Canada.ca/coronavirus**

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