# Information on the BC Emergency Benefit for Workers:

The BC Emergency Benefit for Workers will provide a one-time, tax-free, \$1,000 payment for BC residents whose ability to work has been affected due to COVID-19.

Comprehensive information about the BC Emergency Benefit for Workers will be available <a href="here">here</a> as soon as possible.

## **Information on the Canada Emergency Response Benefit:**

### What is the Canada Emergency Response Benefit?

If you have stopped working because of COVID-19, the Canada Emergency Response Benefit (CERB) may provide you with temporary income support. The CERB provides \$500 a week for up to 16 weeks.

Only apply for the CERB through either Service Canada or the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) – not both.

### Who is eligible?

The benefit will be available to workers:

- Residing in Canada, who are at least 15 years old;
- Who have stopped working because of COVID-19 and have not voluntarily quit their job or are eligible for EI regular or sickness benefits;
- Who had income of at least \$5,000 in 2019 or in the 12 months prior to the date of their application; and
- Who are or expect to be without employment or self-employment income for at least 14 consecutive
  days in the initial four-week period. For subsequent benefit periods, they expect to have no
  employment or self-employment income.

#### How to apply:

To deliver payments to Canadians in a fast and easy way, the CERB is being jointly delivered by Service Canada and the Canada Revenue Agency.

To begin the application process, please answer a few simple questions. The answers you provide will help us direct you to the service option that best fits your situation.

Please read these <u>questions and answers</u> for more details.

#### Apply here.