
SUBJECT**COVID-19 - Canada Emergency Commercial Rent Assistance (CECRA)**

KEY FACTS

As of late October, the Government of Canada delivered \$2 billion in rent support through the CECRA program. This assistance has helped over 137,000 small businesses, while supporting 1.24 million jobs in Canada.

RESPONSE

- **Our government believes small businesses across the country are the backbone of our communities, and they have been facing significant challenges.**
- **That's why we moved forward with a number of support measures, including the The Canada Emergency Commercial Rent Assistance (CECRA) for small businesses, which helped lower rent by 75 per cent for small businesses that have been affected by COVID-19.**
- **CECRA was only one program supporting businesses and was intended to work in tandem with others, including the Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy (CEWS) and the Canada Emergency Business Account (CEBA).**
- **On October 9, we announced a new Canada Emergency Rent Subsidy, which will take over for CECRA in supporting our small business.**
- **This new subsidy, managed by the Canada Revenue Agency, will provides simple and easy-to-access rent and mortgage support until June 2021 for qualifying organizations affected by COVID-19.**