



FOR RECOVERY

British Columbia's restaurants are struggling to survive the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Government assistance continues to be needed so they can pull through and keep contributing to jobs, economic growth and vibrant neighbourhoods across the province. Working together with Restaurants Canada, the next provincial government can help foodservice businesses continue playing an integral part of the social and economic fabric of our communities.

CASH FLOW

- Expansion of eligibility criteria for the Small and Medium Sized Business Recovery Grants program, to enable more hard hit businesses to access up to \$30,000 in working capital grants.
- Continued reductions and deferrals of tax and utility payments until COVID-19 restrictions are lifted.
- Continuation of the PST exemption on restaurant meals.

RENT & TENANT PROTECTIONS

- Direct rent assistance for eligible businesses whose landlords have not applied to the Canada Emergency Commercial Rent Assistance program.
- Resumption of moratorium on commercial tenant evictions until long-term solutions are in place.

LABOUR

- "Do No Harm" commitment to not introduce new labour legislation that will increase employer costs.
- Continuation of secret ballot votes for union certification.
- Commitment to maintain liquor server wage beyond June 2021 at the current 2020 rate.
- Commitment to tie future general minimum wage increases to a cost of living indexation formula.

ALCOHOL

- Permanent continuation of long awaited wholesale pricing for licensed establishments.
- Permanent continuation of alcohol sales with takeout and delivery orders.
- Implementation of remaining Business and Technical Advisory Panel liquor policy recommendations.

FOODSERVICE SECTOR SUPPORT & RED TAPE REDUCTION

- Reduction in restrictions due to COVID-19, wherever and whenever safe to do so.
- Suspension of any license and permit fees until public health restrictions are lifted.
- Tax credit or direct subsidy to recognize value of food and beverage donations at start of crisis.
- Policies that avoid any undue burden on businesses continuing to rely on single-use items to safeguard the health and safety of staff and customers.
- Protection from liabilities associated with cases of COVID-19 connected to foodservice establishments.
- Promotional campaigns and subsidized dining discounts to help boost sales during ongoing pandemic.

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