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Weekly Newsletter

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Money and Budgeting Matters

Credit Canada is open for business. Credit counsellors are available for

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Lunch and Learn sessions.

- Counsellors are available to speak to people who feel the need to discuss their affairs.
- The Credit Canada website now has a special section <u>"How Credit Canada Offers Support During the Coronavirus Crisis"</u>. There is also a "Take Action" Webinar series, which is still a work in progress.
- Develop a cash flow budget right now, so you know how much of a gap there is between your income & your expenses.
- On the expense side, almost NOTHING is untouchable anymore. Mortgage deferrals and unpaid rent are good examples. Members can contact their creditors about anything else they're making payments on, to see if there's anything else they can shut down for the time being. The only thing that would still be untouchable is insurance. If you drive, you have to pay car insurance. Life insurance needs to be paid, for obvious reasons.

If you have questions, feel free to visit the website or contact Richard Haggins, Senior Education Facilitator, at Phone 289-360-3477, toll free 1-800-267-2272 ext. 8010 or rhaggins@creditcanada.com. The website is Credit Canada Debt Solutions Inc.

Casual Members

Who can I call for information about financial support from government right now?

Anywhere in Canada: 1-800-O-Canada (1-800-622-6232)

Canada Revenue Agency:

1-800-959-8281 help with MyAccount

1-800-387-1193 help with benefits

Ontario Government of Ontario:

Call: 1-888-789-4199 (Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services – they handle benefits and financial help for Ontarians)

You might also contact the constituency office of your MPP. You can look up your MPP <u>HERE</u>. You might also contact your local municipal office or call 2-1-1 for

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I might have trouble paying my rent. Is here help for me?

The province has suspended evictions (approving new ones or enforcing evictions) in the current health emergency. This is the number for the **Ontario Landlord Tenant Board** that handles tenants' rights: 1-888-332-3234. In some communities, you may be able to get a low-cost loan to help cover your rent: Toronto: 416-924-2543.

Do I qualify for Employment Insurance or the Canada Emergency Response Benefit (CERB)?

Here is an excellent document that describes the differences between qualifying for Employment Insurance verses the Canada Emergency Response Benefit (CERB). View document HERE.



Join the Human Resources & Equity Team for our first virtual Community Conversations series

Topic: Integrating equitable and inclusive practices while working remotely

Integrating equitable and inclusive practices is critical in times of transition within organizations. Join us as we discuss key considerations and helpful tips on advancing inclusion in our day-to-day operations while working remotely and through disruptions such as COVID-19.

Date: Tuesday, March 31, 2020

Time: 10:00am - 11:00 am

Speakers:

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Jodie Glean, Director, Anti-Racism & Cultural Diversity Office

Moderator:

Karima Hashmani, Executive Director, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion

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