

Plain Language Summary:

Emergency COVID-19 funding for Community Living BC

On April 21 the Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction announced \$35.6 million for CLBC to provide emergency COVID-19 supports. [You can read the announcement here.](#)

This funding will help adults with developmental disabilities who use residential services, like group homes, home sharing and supported independent living, have the support they need to stay safe during the COVID-19 crisis.

Agencies who provide these residential services will be able to request funding to pay for things like staff overtime, hiring more support staff and paying home-sharing providers for the extra support they are giving during this time.

People who receive residential support through Individualized Funding or person-centred societies can also request emergency funding.

This funding will be available through June 2020.

As well, the government has provided \$125,000 to help improve and promote the [Support Worker Central](#) website. This is an online tool that helps match individuals, families and agencies with support workers in their communities.

CLBC will work with agencies and begin the process to request funding on April 27, 2020.

For more information please see [Question and Answers on CLBC Emergency Funding here](#) and [Support for Families During COVID-19 here](#).