



## **APPLY NOW: Food Banks Canada's 2021 Emergency Food Security Fund applications due February 26!**

This \$ 18.5M fund is made possible through the support of the Government of Canada, specifically Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada's (AAFC) Emergency Food Security Fund. This additional emergency funding will help to ensure continued access to food for people experiencing food insecurity during the COVID-19 pandemic. The deadline for online applications is **February 26<sup>th</sup>**. We encourage you to apply prior to this date as we are reviewing and approving applications as they are submitted. **Who is eligible?** The Fund is open to Food Banks Canada's network and food banks in Canada, including:

- Provincial associations
- Affiliate food banks (member of a food bank provincial association)
- Agencies of affiliate food banks (agency of a food bank that is a member of a provincial association)
- Food banks and food security organizations located in a territory
- Non-affiliate food banks will be considered if they aren't eligible for other funding opportunities (see below)

### **Other Funding Opportunities**

These funds originate from Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada's (AAFC) Emergency Food Security Fund. Applicants cannot apply to or receive funds from multiple recipients of the AAFC Emergency Food Security Fund.

If your organization is a member or affiliated with one of the following, please apply directly to that organization for funding: **Breakfast Clubs of Canada, Community Food Centers Canada, Second Harvest and Salvation Army**. For more information, please click [here](#).

## What is Eligible?

All funding must be dedicated *to ensuring continued access to food for people experiencing food insecurity during the COVID-19 pandemic*. The majority of this funding is intended to support the purchase of needed food between February 1, 2021 to September 30, 2021.

- Food & Meals (ie, Purchase of food, gift cards, vouchers)
- Food Distribution Expenses, including:
- Wages (ie, hiring more employees to help manage increased needs)
- Equipment & Capital Investments (ie, coolers, boxes, bins, hampers, minor adjustments to accommodate social distancing and other public health guidance)
- Transportation & Storage (ie, food / meal delivery costs, food storage costs and other related costs)
- Purchase of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

[Click here for more details and how to apply](#)

Please contact [grants@foodbankscanada.ca](mailto:grants@foodbankscanada.ca) or call 1-800-986-5280 if you have any questions about the program.