



# Lockdown Support

## Province Wide Shutdown

The Province wide Shutdown will go into effect as of Saturday, December 26, 2020, at 12:01 a.m. for **28 days** (in Southern Ontario) to determine if it is safe to lift any restrictions or if they need to be extended.

Hamilton is already in lockdown as of Monday December 21st, 2020.

Ontario has identified several **high priority communities** - Hamilton is not currently on this list but may be added as needed. For more information [click here](#).

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## Support Grant

**New Ontario Small Business Support Grant, which will provide a minimum of \$10,000 and up to \$20,000 to eligible small business owners to help navigate this challenging period.**

Small businesses required to close or significantly restrict services under the Provincewide Shutdown will be able to apply for a one-time grant to recover some of their lost revenue.

The grant will provide businesses with dollar for dollar funding to a maximum of \$20,000 to cover decreased revenue expected as a result of the Provincewide Shutdown. The business must demonstrate they experienced a revenue decline of at least 20 per cent when comparing monthly revenue in April 2019 and April 2020. This grant is also available to businesses that have opened since April 2020 and they are finalizing the information needed to apply.

Further details, including how to apply, will be announced in January 2021.

[More Information](#)

## Other Supports

[COVID-19 Energy Assistance Program - Small Businesses \(CEAP-SB\) for utility bills](#)

[Temporary property tax and energy cost rebates](#)

[Canada Emergency Rent Subsidy](#) - updated so tenants can apply

## Helpline

**Stop The Spread Helpline** for questions on the lockdown or support programs at **1-888-444-3659**.

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# TIERED PRICES IN EFFECT JANUARY 1, 2021

Same price in effect for all electricity used until January 28, 2021



**Residential**  
Above 1,000 kWh per month  
**8.5¢**

First 1,000 kWh per month  
**8.5¢**



**Small Business**  
Above 750 kWh per month  
**8.5¢**

First 750 kWh per month  
**8.5¢**

## Secure your business

Unfortunately with fewer businesses open on the street crime is likely to increase. Please follow some of the crime prevention tips below. You can also download the poster below to put in your window. If a crime does happen please report it to the police and Rachel, so that we can track it and if need be push for an increased police presence.

[Poster](#)



# 10 CRIME PREVENTION TIPS FOR BUSINESSES

- 1 Ensure locks, alarms and CCTV are operational
- 2 Leave lights on inside and out
- 3 Remove high-value items from window view
- 4 Back up all business documentation
- 5 Display empty cash drawer in window view
- 6 Track inventory and update insurance coverage
- 7 Post emergency contact keyholder information inside the store
- 8 When checking your business, do so during the day
- 9 Tell your business neighbours your plan
- 10 Report suspicious activity by calling non-emergency line 905-546-4925

Together. Stronger. Safer.

## Canada Summer Jobs Applications Available

If you are looking for help next year (from April 29, 2021 - Feb 26, 2022) you can apply to have a funded staff member. You can hire someone under 30 and receive subsidy if approved. Applications are due January 29th, 2021.

[CSJ Application](#)

## Please remove snow from sidewalks



Just a friendly reminder to please ensure the sidewalks in front of your business are cleared of snow. It is a

Hamilton bylaw and if not cleared  
within 24 hours you may be fined.

*Thank you all for persevering through this challenging time. Your ability to pivot  
and creatively adapt is inspiring. We hope you all have a relaxing holiday  
season.*

*A special Thank you to our Board of Directors who have volunteered their time  
this year to help Barton Village not only weather this storm but to come out  
standing strong:*

*Sue Carr, 541 Eatery and Exchange*

*Stephen Colville-Reeves, Property Owner*

*Michal Cybin, The Emerald*

*Christine Furtado, Meridian Credit Union*

*Peter Mokrycke, Hendry's*

*Alice Plug-Buist, Helping Hands Street Mission*

*Harry Stinson, Property Owner*

*Suzanne Zandbergen, The Generator*

Please note the BIA office will be closed for the holidays from Thursday  
December 24th and will reopen Monday, January 4th. If you need anything  
during this time please call Rachel at 289-682-9472

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