

TARIFF SUPPORTS

Regional Tariff Response Initiative (RTRI)

Stream	Supports	Eligibility
RTRI Liquidity	Up to \$2M (non-repayable) for up to 50% of eligible costs	Canadian businesses viable as of the date the first tariffs impacting their business were introduced, with at least \$1M in annual revenue and liquidity need due to tariff impacts
RTRI Pivot Projects	Up to \$1M (non-repayable) for up to 50% of eligible costs OR up to \$20M (repayable) for up to 75% of eligible costs	- Canadian businesses viable as of the date the first tariffs impacting their business were introduced, with at least \$1M in annual revenue, demonstrated tariff impacts, and an eligible pivot project (diversify/become more resilient) - Organizations supporting tariff-affected businesses

Regional Development Fund (Forestry) | *Launching Fall 2026*

Supports	Eligibility
Details coming	- Communities significantly impacted by disruptions in the forest sector - Further details coming

To reach a **PacifiCan Representative**, please email us.

- Companies seeking RTRI support: PacifiCan.RTRI-SME_IRRT-PME@pacifican.gc.ca
- Not-for-profits seeking RTRI support: PacifiCan.RTRI-NFP_IRRT-OSBL@pacifican.gc.ca
- For all other programs: info@pacifican.gc.ca

Toll Free: 1-888-338-9378

OTHER BUSINESS SUPPORTS

DIRECT

Business Scale-Up & Productivity (BSP) | *Next call for applications expected Fall/Winter 2026*

Supports	Eligibility
Normally up to \$5M (repayable) for up to 50% of eligible costs	20% year-over-year revenue growth - Pursuing scale-up, technology commercialization, productivity improvement, market diversification

Regional Artificial Intelligence Initiative (RAII) | *Next call for applications expected Fall/Winter 2026*

Stream	Supports	Eligibility
SMEs	\$500K to \$3M (repayable) for up to 50% of eligible costs	Canadian SMEs commercializing or adopting AI solutions
Ecosystem	\$500K to \$5M (non-repayable) for up to 50% of eligible costs	Not-for-profit organizations supporting AI commercialization or adoption and ecosystem development in B.C.

Regional Defence Investment Initiative (RDII) | *Next call for applications expected Spring 2027*

Supports	Eligibility
\$100K to \$10M (repayable) for up to 50% of eligible costs	SMEs growing the production and innovation capacity of Canda's defence and dual-use (i.e., with both military and civilian uses) industries

INDIRECT

Regional Innovation Ecosystems (RIE) | *Current application intake open until Oct. 30, 2026*

Supports	Eligibility
Normally up to \$3M (non-repayable) for up to 50% of eligible costs	Normally business-serving not-for-profits helping businesses grow, find markets, attract investment and innovate.

Community Economic Development & Diversification (CEDD) Program | *Ongoing intake*

Supports (what)	Eligibility (who)
Varying levels of non-repayable funding	Not-for-profit organizations, including local, regional and Indigenous economic development organizations or governments harnessing local ambitions, assets, knowledge and economic opportunities to create more prosperous and resilient communities

OTHER SUPPORTS

Build Communities Strong Fund (BCSF) | *Ongoing intake*

Stream	Supports	Eligibility
Local Impact	Normally \$125K to \$1M (non-repayable) for normally up to 50% of eligible costs	Municipalities, regional governments, Indigenous communities and organizations, and other not-for-profits

Community Futures (CF) Program | *Offices open across B.C.*

Supports	Eligibility
- Small business loans - Planning, networking and advisory services	- Entrepreneurs - Small businesses

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- For all programs: info@pacifican.gc.ca

Up-to-date **Program Information** for all PacifiCan programs: <https://www.canada.ca/en/pacific-economic-development/services/funding.html>

To find a **Community Futures Office** near you: <https://www.communityfutures.ca/about-us/find-a-cf-office>

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ADDITIONAL FEDERAL SUPPORTS

FINANCING SUPPORTS

Program	Supports	Eligibility
BDC Pivot to Grow	Up to \$5M; 60-month amortization; up to 24 months interest only; no early repayment penalty	• Canadian; >\$1M revenue; 3+ yrs operating; positive cashflow • >15% US export revenue or >10% revenue decline
BDC Pivot to Grow Equipment Financing	Up to \$5M; 144-month amortization; up to 24 months interest only; no early repayment penalty	

LIQUIDITY SUPPORTS

Program	Supports	Eligibility
BDC Pivot to Grow Liquidity	Up to \$5M for a tariff-related cash-flow shortfall within 12 months; 96-month amortization; up to 36 months interest-only; no early-repayment penalty	• Canadian; >\$1M revenue; 3+ yrs operating; positive cashflow • >15% US export revenue; tariffs equal >5% of revenue
BDC Softwood Lumber Guarantee	\$500K–\$50M in BDC-guaranteed financing through participating lenders	• Canadian softwood lumber or remanufacturing mills • >\$1M revenues
BDC Steel and Aluminum Industries Support	\$1M–\$50M in working capital to offset tariff costs, protect jobs and maintain operations.	• Canadian steel, aluminum, copper or related-product manufacturer exporting to the US • 3+ yrs operating; >\$1M revenue
CEEFC Large Enterprise Tariff Loan Facility	Liquidity support for large enterprises adapting to new U.S. tariffs	• Large enterprise; significant Canadian operations; direct exposure to new U.S. tariffs • Demonstrated financial pressure; credible adaptation plan
Canada Strong Diversification Fund	From \$5M to \$30M for businesses affected by s.338 tariffs	• Capital maintenance expenditures to maintain operations

WORKFORCE SUPPORTS

Program	Supports	Eligibility
ESDC Rapid Response Supports for Workers and Employers	• EI Measures ○ One-week waiting period waiver ○ Treatment of monies on separation measure ○ Up to 20 additional weeks of benefits for long-tenured workers ○ Simplification of rules for reasons for separation • Job Bank job-matching enhancements • Workforce Retention & Retraining Program ○ Combines enhanced EI work-sharing and worker retention grant ○ Extended duration, expanded eligibility, greater flexibility	• EI measures: ○ All EI claimants across Canada; • Job Bank: ○ All job seekers and employers • Workforce Retention and Retraining Program: ○ Employer/workers affected by tariffs ○ Reduced business activity or layoff risk; ○ Updates coming

TRANSFORMATION PROJECT SUPPORTS

Program	Supports	Eligibility
BDC Forestry Support Program Transformation Stream	Up to \$25M in preferred-rate financing to implement a transformation plan; Interest-only for up to 24 months and extended amortization	• Canadian forestry manufacturer; >\$2M revenue; 3+ yrs operating • Demonstrated financial pressure/tariff criteria
Canada Strong Diversification Fund	Minimum \$10M contribution for projects with at least \$20M million in eligible costs to support key sectors highly impacted by tariffs	• Canadian for-profit or not-for-profit; large-scale, commercially viable transformative project • Aligns with investment priorities (e.g., domestic production, new markets, protecting jobs, etc.) • Case-by-case funding and repayment terms

For the most up-to-date program information, please visit:
<https://www.canada.ca/en/campaign/canadastrong.html>

To reach **GAC** for help navigating U.S. tariffs, call:
Toll Free: 1-833-760-1167

Canada Strong Diversification Fund details coming soon from **ISED**. For the latest, visit:
<https://ised-isde.canada.ca/site/ised/en/programs-and-initiatives/strategic-response-fund>

To reach a **BDC** representative, contact your local office:
<https://www.bdc.ca/en/contact-us>

To reach an **ESDC** representative, email:
edsc.dgop.tp.rep-res.ws.pob.esdc@servicecanada.gc.ca

To reach a **CEEFC** representative, email:
info@ceefc-cfuec.ca

To access the **Canada Tariff Finder** tool, visit:
<https://www.tariffinder.ca/en>

OTHER SUPPORTS IN B.C.

Government of British Columbia Employment Supports
<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/employment-business/tariffs#supports>

Export Navigator Program
<https://exportnavigator.ca/the-program/>

Greater Vancouver Board of Trade – Trade Accelerator Program (TAP)
<https://www.boardoftrade.com/wtc/tap>

Trade and Invest B.C. Export Diversification Supports
<https://www.britishcolumbia.ca/for-bc-businesses/>

BC Agriculture and Food Export Program
<https://bcagricultureandfoodexportprogram.ca/>

Government of British Columbia Tariff Guidance
<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/employment-business/international-investment-and-trade/trade-policy-negotiations/trade-resources/tariff-guidance-for-businesses>

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