**Resources for starting a new business for immigrants**

For new immigrants wishing to start a business in Canada; there are many agencies and programs to help at the Federal, Provincial, and municipal level (Funding Portal Cornwall, n.d.). These programs are so widely available it is easiest to start by considering the location of the business first before inquiring about incentives and government sponsors (Timmins Economic Development, n.d.). The local Chamber of Commerce or Business Unions of cities across Canada are readily available to direct entrepreneurs to the various resources provided by all levels of the government. For those not familiar with English, many of the documents and literature required is provided in several languages (Business Development Bank, p.2).

As well as general programs available for all new startups across Canada; funding and help is also available for special purpose and niche businesses. Examples of this are grants and loans for businesses that wish to locate in the far north (CanNor, n.d.), share of salary expenses for young employees (Futurpreneur, n.d.), or tax credits for providing services to native communities (Federation of Canadian Municipalities, n.d.). With all the available government sponsored help, Canada is a very welcoming and accommodating country for newly landed entrepreneurs.

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Research links (not necessary to include in paper/presentation)

[Government of Canada Job bank:](https://www.jobbank.gc.ca/trend-analysis/search-occupations)

Help identify occupations in Canada, as well as certifications required for the professions and salary expectations. Useful when considering employee requirements and hiring.

[FedDev Ontario:](http://www.cbo-eco.ca/en/index.cfm/planning/before-you-start/newcomer-entrepreneurs/)

List of government programs and regulations for starting a business in Canada (Ontario) as a new immigrant.

[Futurpreneur Canada:](https://www.futurpreneur.ca/en/get-started/)

Offers smaller start-up loans and mentoring/counselling services for new businesses at favorable terms and rates. Not necessarily for immigrants.

[Buisness Development Bank of Canada](https://www.bdc.ca/en/i_am/newcomer-entrepreneur/pages/default.aspx):

Federally sponsored Bank devoted to business and job creation in Canada. Includes many resources and councilors specifically trained for new immigrants.

[FedNor:](https://fednor.gc.ca/eic/site/fednor-fednor.nsf/eng/home)

Federal government program to help businesses establish themselves in Northern Ontario

[CanNor:](https://www.cannor.gc.ca/eng/1368815784186/1368815799374)

Similar toFedNor but for all of Canada.

[Mitacs](https://www.mitacs.ca/en/programs)

Not necessarily for new businesses, but has grants and programs for new graduates entering the workforce

[Federation of Canadian Municipalities](https://fcm.ca/en/resources/cedi/first-nation%E2%80%93municipal-funding-resources)

Provides grants and resources for community development; with special programs particularly for native communities.

[Entrepreneurship funds and resources for young people:](https://www.ontario.ca/page/entrepreneurship-funds-and-resources-people-under-30)

Long list on Ontario grants for people aged 18 - 29

Examples of Municipal Resources:

[Timmins Economic development Corporation](http://www.timminsedc.com/business/invest/incentives/)[WindsorEssex Economic Development](http://www.choosewindsoressex.com/)[Lake of the Woods Business Incentive Corp](http://www.lowbic.on.ca/)[Cornwall and Area Chamber of Commerce](http://www.cornwallchamber.com/members-services/fundingportal/)

Almost all cities have their programs to facilitate new businesses

Timmins Economic development Corporation