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## BUSINESS NEWS



It is estimated that 50,000 businesses across Canada applied for and received **Canada Emergency Business Account (CEBA)** in 2020/2021, but have recently been informed by financial institution that they are no longer eligible for the loan forgiveness portion.

We would like to gain insight to the number of Alberta businesses impacted so we can advocate on their behalf.

**If you received CEBA please take 1 minute to share your experience.**

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Transportation System Challenges and



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how it Effects the Future of Business Success

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# Alberta

Government

## Premier Announces New Cabinet

Alberta's Premier has announced her new cabinet, with a focus on ensuring Albertans' interests and priorities are well represented

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## Economic Update: Minister Fir

Minister of Jobs, Economy and Innovation Tanya Fir issued the statement on Alberta's economy

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# Canada



Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada

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Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) is offering a series of **FREE** virtual learning series for employers

You'll learn and can ask questions about Canada's economic immigration programs and resources to help you attract, hire and retain global talent.

## Upcoming Sessions

### Introduction to the Temporary Foreign Worker Program

November 16, 2022, @ 9am  
PT/10am MT/11am CT/12pm ET

[Register](#)

### Hiring a Worker Without a Labour Market Impact Assessment

November 23, 2022, @ 9am  
PT/10am MT/11am CT/12pm ET

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### Global Talent Recruitment Strategies

November 30, 2022, @9am  
PT/10am MT/11am CT/12pm ET

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### Key Updates Affecting IRCC Programs

December 7 @9am PT/10am MT/11am CT/12pm ET

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# HOW TO EXIT YOUR BUSINESS - YOUR WAY!

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Commercial Ventures is hosting two virtual courses on **November 17th** and **November 24th** from 10:00 AM -11:00 AM (MST). You can pick either date that fits your schedule, and the best part - they are FREE to attend!





**The Arive Employee Assistance Program (EAP) helps you effectively protect and support your biggest asset—your people.**

Arive's high-quality, confidential counselling and supports gives employees and their families the opportunity to feel like their best selves again, sooner—helping them build resilience for other life challenges that may crop up in the future. From a business perspective, Arive's evidence-based approach helps employees stay at work or return to work more quickly if on a leave, remain focused, productive and engaged—all while improving their job performance. It's a benefit that works for everyone.



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### Smart

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Give your employees more for less. Health and Dental premiums are a deductible business expense and a TAX FREE benefit for your employees.



## FALL SAFETY SPOTLIGHT:

*Autumn has arrived and while that means the summer heatwave has finally broken and the leaves are turning lovely colours, it also means it's getting darker earlier. Remember to leave an exterior light on over your exits to reduce the risk of break-ins. Individuals are less likely to want to break in somewhere well-lit as they will not have the cover of darkness to help conceal their identity or activity. Quality lighting is one of the most affordable crime prevention options. As you consider your lighting options, remember to consider the placement of the light as well as the type of lighting. It's not just a simple matter of brighter is better*



## September 2022 Security Stats

Watchdog Security operated for approximately **285 hours in September 2022**. The following is a breakdown by incident:

- Liaisons - 232
  - Missed Calls - 22
  - Foot Patrols - 49
  - 34 interactions with intoxicated persons, which include 28 persons being asked by Watchdog to depart and did so willingly, and 5 persons requiring the attendance of law Enforcement.
  - 3 insecurities (after hours) at local businesses.
1. Patrol came across an open exterior door of a local business. No obvious signs of damage and no persons visible. Patrol secured the door and kept an eye on it for the remainder of the shift
  2. Patrol found a hole in the compound fence of a local business. No visible persons were present. RCMP attended and the owner was contacted
  3. Patrol observed a hole in the compound fence of a local business. RCMP attended and discovered several incidents of property damage. The owner contacted and advised
- 8 welfare checks were conducted on persons noted to be in apparent distress
  - 34 requests for assistance, 5 criminal events, 5 suspicious persons who departed on the arrival of patrol, 1 item of found property dropped off with Municipal Enforcement, and 3 requests for extra patrols. This does not include requests for assistance during non-operational hours. A liaison was conducted for these requests regardless.

### Significant Activities:

- Patrol observed a pallet fire behind the dumpsters outside a local business. Emergency services were contacted, and Fire services attended and extinguished the fire
- Watchdog responded to a request for assistance from a local business. An unknown person was observed beneath a vehicle in the parking lot. As this person was unresponsive, Municipal Enforcement and EMS were contacted. The person was subsequently roused by medical personnel and transported for medical attention.
- While on patrol, Watchdog observed a person in apparent distress passed out on the sidewalk adjacent to a local business. As this person remained unresponsive and incoherent, EMS and RCMP were contacted and attended. The person was subsequently transported for medical attention
- Watchdog Security responded to a request from a local business regarding a person who refused to leave. On arrival Watchdog observed the person to be highly intoxicated and incoherent. EMS were contacted and attended. The person was subsequently transported for medical attention
- Watchdog Security attended a local business on their request regarding a person who was refusing to depart the premises. On arrival, Watchdog Security spoke with the individual who continued their refusal to depart. Municipal Enforcement was contacted and attended, and the person in question subsequently left the property

- While on patrol, Watchdog Security observed an open compound gate after hours. As the lock appeared to have been forced open, RCMP was contacted and subsequently attended. At the request of RCMP, Watchdog Security contacted the owner. It was subsequently learned several items had been stolen during this event
- While on patrol, Watchdog Security observed several youths knocking over garbage cans on City property. On observing the patrol, the youths fled. During a subsequent foot patrol, Watchdog Security located a cell phone potentially belonging to one of the culprits. RCMP was contacted and subsequently took possession of the phone. The garbage cans were re-positioned by Watchdog personnel
- Watchdog responded to a request for assistance from a local business. On attending, Watchdog personnel observed a highly agitated person causing a disturbance on the premises. As the person continually refused to depart, Municipal Enforcement was contacted and attended. The person was subsequently arrested
- While on mobile patrol, Watchdog observed a newly cut hole in the compound fence of a local business. Two persons were observed in the vicinity of the compound and departed rapidly when observing the patrol. RCMP was contacted and attended. No evidence of theft or mischief was observed in the compound. The owner later confirmed this conclusion

## Member Directory

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**Best Doctors is now Teladoc Medical Experts SAME GREAT SERVICE, BUT WITH EASIER ACCESS.**

We wanted to let you know that as of January 1, 2022, members can access all of their Teladoc benefits from the same convenient location, including Best Doctors expert medical services. The service name is also changing. The suite of services provided under the Best Doctors expert medical services program will now be referred to as Teladoc Medical Experts. With Teladoc Medical Experts, members receive the same care and approach to service, with expanded access to world-renowned physicians and their opinions by web, phone, or mobile app. Members with existing Teladoc telemedicine benefits, who have already registered for their services, will not need to re-register. Should members have both telemedicine and expert medical services, upon logging into the Teladoc mobile or desktop application (Teladoc.ca), they will see Teladoc Medical Experts services conveniently located along side telemedicine benefits. Members who do not currently have telemedicine benefits, or are logging in for the first time, will need to register by creating an account.

This represents an enhancement to the current suite of services by providing members more options for initiating a Teladoc Medical Experts case and increasing the convenience for members who subscribe to multiple services. As a reminder, all members who hold Chambers Plan Extended Health coverage have access to Teladoc's telemedicine service, and all members who hold Chambers Plan Life coverage have access to Teladoc Medical Experts services. In order to access these services, members can visit Teladoc.ca, call 1-877-419-2378 or download the Teladoc app available for Apple and Android.

## Out-of-Province/Country Travel Medical Emergency Coverage

With the federal government once again advising against non-essential travel, we have been receiving increased questions about the potential impact to Chambers Plan's Out-of-Province/Country coverage. At this time, all coverage offered through Chambers Plan remains unaffected, regardless of the travel risk level.

For a medical emergency while travelling, please call the 24-hour emergency medical travel assistance at 1-800-465-6390 (within Canada/US) or 1-514-875-9170 for all other countries. This number is also located on the back of your benefits card and we ask that you take that with you when travelling.

For the most current travel advisories, please visit the Government of Canada website.

<https://travel.gc.ca/travelling/advisories>



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