

Financial Assistance for Ukrainian Families (June 6, 2022)

This fact sheet is solely for informational purposes. We urge you to consult with us at info@connectingottawa.com if you have any specific legal questions about a client's situation.

<p>The Government of Canada is giving financial assistance to Ukrainian families who are in Canada under the Canada-Ukraine authorization for emergency travel (CUAET). All arrivals under the CUAET including Ukrainian nationals and their spouses and children, regardless of their nationality, are eligible. The money is a one-time, non-taxable benefit to take care of your basic needs.</p>	
HOW MUCH CAN I GET?	<p>You can receive:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CAN \$3,000 for each adult (18 or older) • CAN \$1,500 for each child (17 and under)
WHO CAN APPLY?	<p>You can apply for this money if you:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are in Canada • Were approved under Canada-Ukraine authorization for emergency travel - Canada • Have a Canadian bank account (see note 1) <p><i>Note 1: You need a bank account to apply for financial assistance because the payment is made by direct deposit. To apply for a bank account, you need your temporary status document (visitor record, work permit, study permit, or temporary resident permit) and passport.</i></p>
HOW DO I APPLY?	<p>There are 2 steps to apply for financial assistance:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Open a Canadian bank account 2) Submit your application: Instructions - Ukraine immigration measures: Financial assistance (services.gc.ca) <p>You need to include this banking information in your application:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transit number • Institution number • Account number <p>Your bank can give you this information either with a direct deposit form or a void cheque (but these numbers are not usually labelled on the cheque).</p>
DO I NEED A SOCIAL INSURANCE NUMBER (SIN) TO APPLY?	<p>You do not need a SIN to apply for this money. However, your bank will ask for your SIN if you are opening an account that earns interest or if you are opening a Registered Retirement Savings Plan (RRSP) account.</p> <p>You also need a SIN if you plan to work in Canada.</p> <p>Here is information on applying for a SIN: Social Insurance Number – Apply - Canada</p>
WHAT ELSE DO I NEED TO INCLUDE?	<p>Along with your personal information, you need to include in your application:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Your unique client identifier (UCI) number • Temporary resident status document [IMM 1442] number. This number can be found on your visitor record, work permit, study permit, or temporary resident permit. Your IMM 1442 <u>must</u> include a remark that you're here under CUAET.
CAN UNACCOMPANIED MINORS APPLY?	<p>If you are hosting an unaccompanied minor (17 years of age and younger), you are required to include in the application your banking information, the temporary resident status document (IMM 1442) number for the eligible minor, and a letter signed by the minor's parents or legal guardian with this information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parents' or legal guardian's address and telephone number • Your name, address, and telephone number to confirm that the minor is living with you <p>If your application is approved, the money will be deposited in your bank account for the purpose of caring for the minor.</p>
WHEN WILL I GET PAID?	<p>Payment will be made by direct deposit and is expected to take up to 5 business days. Your bank may take another 3 to 5 days to show the deposit in your account.</p>
WHAT IF I HAVE A PROBLEM APPLYING?	<p>You can call 1-833-760-1162 if you:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Haven't received any money after 5 business days, and you've waited another 3 to 5 days for your bank to process the deposit • Didn't receive the right amount • Have other questions or need help with the application <p>Calls will be answered on Monday to Friday, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Eastern time. Interpretation services are available in Ukrainian and Russian.</p>

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

[Ukraine immigration measures: Financial assistance - Canada](#)