

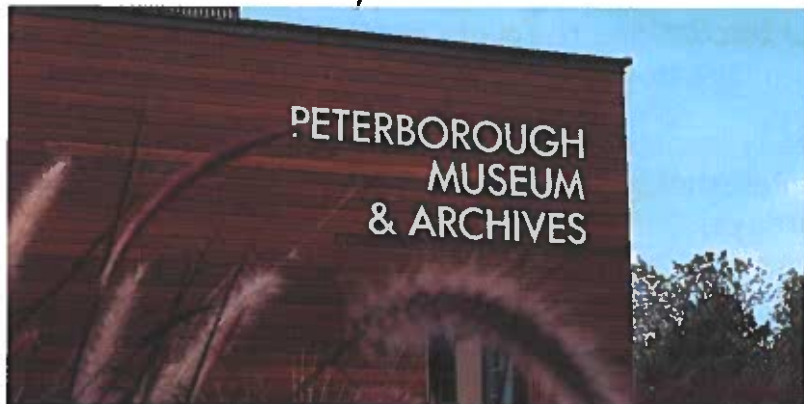


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## Peterborough Museum & Archives gets a financial boost from Government of Canada

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The Government of Canada is supporting the Peterborough Museum & Archives with a \$97,330 grant from the COVID-19 Emergency Support Fund for Cultural, Heritage and Sport Organizations.

The Government of Canada created the \$500-million Emergency Support Fund as an additional temporary support measure for cultural, heritage and sports organizations that are experiencing significant financial losses as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Of this amount, \$53 million is going to the heritage sector through the Museums Assistance Program. The emergency fund helps affected organizations maintain their operations.

The Museums Assistance Program supports heritage institutions in an effort to preserve and exhibit heritage collections. It encourages the preservation of Indigenous cultural heritage and access to heritage collections for all Canadians. It

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also promotes the development of knowledge, skills and professional practices related to key museum functions.

"The Government of Canada knows our cultural and heritage organizations are one of the many sectors facing financial hardships due to COVID-19. These organizations play a valuable role in our community preserving and exhibiting our history. To ensure they can keep staff on the payroll and continue their important work, the federal government has invested more than \$200,000 here in Peterborough-Kawartha through our Museums Assistance Program to support the Peterborough Museum and Archives, the Canadian Canoe Museum, Hutchison House, and Trent Valley Archives through this difficult time." – Maryam Monsef, Member of Parliament for Peterborough-Kawartha

"Arts, Culture and Heritage provides an important pillar for our quality of life in Peterborough. It is very important to many lives and an important sector for employers looking to bring jobs here. Our museum, up on Armour Hill, is home to constantly changing displays and lessons in our history. Our museum is also home to Fleming curator students and camps for children. The additional federal funds are greatly appreciated." – Councillor Lesley Parnell, Museum and Archives Advisory Committee member

"The City is extremely grateful for the federal support of the Peterborough Museum and Archives during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Museum and Archives is dedicated to ensuring the preservation of Peterborough's movable heritage, including national cultural property. The Museum is able to continue the highest standard of care and conservation." – Susan Neale, Museum Director at the PMA.

The Peterborough Museum & Archives is located in Ashburnham Memorial Park on Museum Drive, 300 Hunter St. E., in Peterborough. Hours are Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Saturdays, Sundays and holidays (including Remembrance Day), noon to 5 p.m. Admission is by donation, with free parking and barrier-free access. Visiting the PMA requires an appointment, scheduled in advance, which can be organized by calling 705-743-5180, or visiting the museum's website at [peterboroughmuseumandarchives.ca](http://peterboroughmuseumandarchives.ca).

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