## Canada Disability Benefit (CDB) and Finance Department Support

We are pleased to inform you about the introduction of the Canada Disability Benefit (CDB), a new federal initiative aimed at providing financial support to low-income, working-age persons with disabilities. Eligible individuals may receive up to \$200 per month. Applications opened on June 20, 2025 (currently ongoing), and the first payments are scheduled to begin in July 2025 for applications received and approved by June 30, 2025.

To be eligible for the CDB, applicants must:

- Be between 18 and 64 years old.
- Have an approved Disability Tax Credit (DTC).
- Have filed a 2024 federal income tax return.
- Be a Canadian resident for income tax purposes.
- Be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident, protected person, or a temporary resident who has lived in Canada for the past 18 months.

For more detailed information on eligibility and the application process, please visit the official announcement: <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/news/2025/03/statement-from-the-minister-of-diversity-inclusion-and-persons-with-disabilities-on-the-canada-disability-benefit.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/news/2025/03/statement-from-the-minister-of-diversity-inclusion-and-persons-with-disabilities-on-the-canada-disability-benefit.html</a>

The benefit application can easily be done here in very easy steps: https://www.canada.ca/en/services/benefits/disability/canada-disability-benefit/apply.html#h2.2

## Hopewell Support Services' role in the Application Process

In line with our commitment to support your well-being and in accordance with the Quality Assurance Measures (QAM) and the Services and Supports to Promote the Social Inclusion of Persons with Developmental Disabilities Act (SIPDDA), Hopewell's Finance Department, in collaboration with Program Managers, may reach out to assist you with the CDB application process.

In addition to this informational guidance, our support may include:

- Providing necessary financial documentation (e.g., income statements, trust account summaries).
- Giving referrals to appropriate community resources or tax experts for further assistance.

Please note that our role is primarily to support and facilitate your application. We will not submit applications on your behalf without your explicit consent and proper authorization.

If you have any questions or require assistance, please feel free to contact your Program Manager or reach out to the Finance Department directly at <a href="maintenance@hopewellsupport.ca">finance@hopewellsupport.ca</a>.

Warm regards,

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