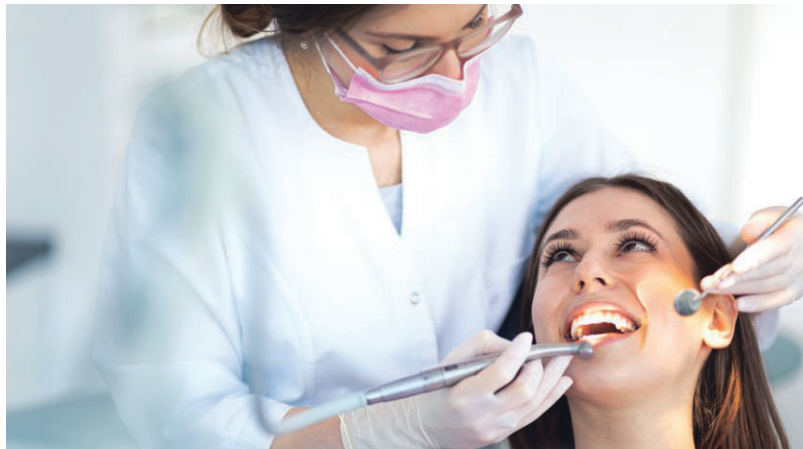


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Community connections are key to recovery for local businesses

For local businesses facing closures, layoffs and regulatory obstacles during COVID-19, connecting with the local community may be an essential tool for rebuilding.

According to a recent survey, during the pandemic nearly 80 per cent of Canadians polled saw the value of local businesses in their community.

Christopher Doyle, Canada's managing director of Nextdoor, an app that connects you with the people and businesses in your neighbourhood, says that during the height of the pandemic they saw a 15 times increase in conversa-



tion about small businesses on the platform.

"Local businesses are the backbone of strong neighbourhoods," he shares. "Across the country,

we've seen that people are looking for ways to support local companies during this time. They are rooting for

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them to survive."

For local businesses looking to tap into their communities, digital tools are a safe and simple place to start. Here are a few things to consider:

1. Communicate often. Keep your community in the loop of what's happening at your business. From new offerings to enhanced protocols that keep customers safe, keeping your neighbours aware of what you're up to will help keep your business top of mind.

2. Focus on local. Use a tool that will help you connect with the people who



live, eat and shop in your community. For example, Nextdoor offers free features for local businesses

that enable them to share important updates directly with their neighbours and even reward them with local deals. Companies can also post directly into the news-feed, allowing them to reach customers without having to build a following like you do on other platforms.

3. Don't be afraid to try new things. It's easy to say, but the world is changing fast. Trying new ways to deliver your services will help keep you relevant and stand out among the competition. While it may not feel like it, this is the time to take risks and innovate.

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Shopping locally is now more crucial than ever

The importance of shopping locally has been emphasized with increasing urgency in recent years. Events like Small Business Saturday and Plaid Friday have brought some much-needed attention to the importance of shopping local, which is even more crucial now as so many small businesses try to survive the pandemic.

A poll from the trade group the National Federation of Independent Business reported that about half of all the businesses in the survey reported a 25 percent drop in sales since the outbreak of the COVID-19 virus, and roughly one in five business-

es have seen sales decline by more than 50 percent. If the economic climate does not radically improve, 20 percent of small businesses won't survive.

In addition, small businesses generate tax revenues that help communities by funding schools, maintaining parks and contributing to public safety programs.

Individuals looking for everything from clothing to home improvement services to office supplies can look to small businesses to fill those needs.

• **Look for small businesses for any and all of your shopping needs.**

Chances are items sold by big box retailers also are sold by small businesses. When the options are the same or similar, purchase from a small business instead of its big box competitor.

• **Readily provide recommendations of small businesses with which you have done business.** Too often people are quick to complain about places that have failed them, but those same people don't think to say kind words about companies that went above and beyond. Share great experiences on social media or through word of

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• **Talk to small business owners first if you have an issue.** It's tempting to go directly to social media to complain about something, but such complaints can have a dire impact. Always take issues to the manager or business owner first to see if a resolution can be reached. A manager may not be aware of an issue at all. Give small businesses a chance to make it right before taking things public.

• **If you own a small business, rely on other small businesses to fulfill your**



needs. Order supplies from fellow small business owners, seek the help of local financial advisors and tax professionals and use local suppliers and delivery personnel.

Small businesses have experienced unprecedented setbacks due to COVID-19. By supporting small businesses, communities can help them regain stable footing.

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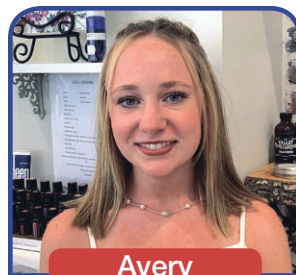
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The costs of running a small business during a pandemic can add up quickly. From ongoing lockdowns and ever-changing safety procedures, Canadian small businesses have been challenged to maintain revenue, keep staff employed and meet shifting financial obligations.

Small businesses play a critical role in our economy by providing jobs to over eight million Canadians. Yet, over half of business owners agree that their business model has changed or will significantly change due to COVID-19 and at least 152,000 Canadian small businesses have adopted e-commerce since the start of the pandemic, according to a Canadian Federation of Independent Business survey.

But did you know there are financial investment programs that can help?

Many providers and stores have seen growth since the pandemic, but it can be scary to take a risk and invest in growth. Financial investment programs can help small busi-



nesses ask for investment and capitalize on the new opportunities.

Financial supports like the Purolator True North Small Business Grant Contest are designed to help small businesses by awarding them money and shipping credits to help them maintain revenue or expand. The grant helps small businesses enjoy more flexibility to pivot their finan-

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