



# Alberta Construction Association

Greater market opportunities and less risk for Alberta's construction industry

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## Alberta Government announces new jobs grant program



The Alberta government has announced the launch of the Canada-Alberta Productivity Grant (CAPG), a new initiative designed to cover up to 75% of eligible costs, with a cap of \$10,000 per individual. Each employer can access up to \$100,000 in funding annually.

Construction companies of all sizes, from general contractors to specialist trade firms, stand to benefit from this streamlined grant. Employers must be based in Alberta and operate in the private, non-profit, or First Nations and Métis settlement sectors. Training can be provided to both current and prospective employees, provided they are Canadian citizens, permanent residents, or protected persons under the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act. Temporary foreign workers, business owners, and immediate family members of the employer are not eligible under this scheme.

To help employers prepare for the rollout, the province is hosting a series of free online information sessions



## Updates from ACA

- ACA and our partner associations are once again hosting the Infrastructure Partners Conference, find out more [here](#).
- ACA Chair Jen Hancock was named one of the Site News Most Influential People [here](#).
- We have started three new committees to learn more or to join a committee, contact us at [policy@albertaconstruction.net](mailto:policy@albertaconstruction.net)
- Alberta Trade Definitions for 2025 are now available find out what is new for this year [here](#).
- You can sign up for our ACA Digital Tradesperson program [here](#).
- ACA published our latest construction industry statistics [here](#).

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throughout July and August. These webinars will offer guidance on the grant's structure, application process, and eligibility criteria. Sessions are tailored for different audiences, including employers, training providers, and general overviews. This is a valuable opportunity for construction employers and HR leads to ask questions directly and begin preparing applications ahead of the fall launch.

The Alberta Construction Association encourages all members to review the grant details available on the Alberta.ca website and consider how this new funding can support staff development, productivity gains, and hiring initiatives. As the CAJG winds down, the CAPG offers a much-needed continuation of support for the training and upskilling that drive innovation and efficiency in Alberta's construction sector.

ACA will continue to monitor the implementation of the grant and advocate for streamlined access for construction employers. We hope the government will address the concerns we have raised, including the need for asynchronous learning options for the construction workforce.

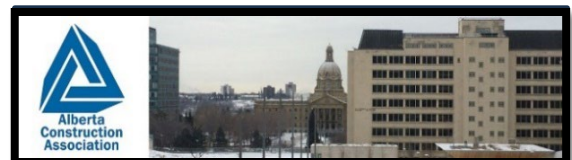
Please note that business registration for the CAPG begins on August 13, and applications can be submitted starting in September. The government advises employers to apply for funding well in advance, as approval must be granted before an employee begins training to qualify.

For more information or to register for an upcoming webinar, please visit:

[Canada-Alberta Productivity Grant Information](#)

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## Roundtable with Minister Long & Industry Leaders



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On June 24, the ACA was honoured to host a productive roundtable discussion with the Honourable Martin Long, Minister of Infrastructure, alongside senior officials from Alberta Infrastructure and key leaders from Alberta's construction industry.

The roundtable provided an opportunity for open dialogue on several critical issues facing the construction sector. Topics included the current state of the industry, the need to better balance risk in public contracts and procurement processes, and ways to strengthen collaboration between the Ministry, general contractors, and trade contractors.

Participants welcomed the Minister's willingness to engage directly with industry leaders and appreciated the candid exchange of ideas. ACA members reaffirmed their commitment to working with the Ministry to address shared challenges and to support the delivery of vital infrastructure projects across the province.

We extend our sincere thanks to Minister Long and Alberta Infrastructure's executive team for their time and engagement. The ACA and our members look forward to continuing this important partnership to help build a stronger Alberta.

## Upcoming Events

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[RDCA & BILD 2025 Member Appreciation BBQ](#) – August 15  
[Infrastructure Partners Conference](#) – November 5

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