



# BULLETIN

## TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT 140 DISTRICT DES TRANSPORTS 140

*International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers  
Association internationale des machinistes et des travailleurs et travailleuses de l'aérospatiale*

### TO ALL IAMAW MEMBERS AIR TRANSAT MEMBERS AFFECTED BY COVID-19

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

Your Union, consisting of your negotiations committee and the District Lodge 140, has been in communication with Air Transat senior management in order to address all our members' questions and concerns for those affected due to the current COVID -19 pandemic.

We have met and will continue to meet with Air Transat on a frequent basis. Our goal is try to understand the company's position and current situation in a constantly changing environment, so that our members can be informed along the way. Together with Air Transat we look at measures to possibly minimize, mitigate and finally overcome this very difficult and challenging situation.

Please note that the information we receive and that the company provides can and has changed several times already. Taking this dynamic environment into consideration, the Company will provide this week a communication as well as a Q & A to help answer some of your concerns.

Air Transat has provided an email link for any questions or concerns you may have over the recent layoff. We encourage members to direct all questions and concerns that you may have to the following email: [questionsrh-syndiques@airtransat.com](mailto:questionsrh-syndiques@airtransat.com)

In the coming days and weeks, we can expect layoffs for the majority of our IAMAW members within District 140 at Air Transat. Your Union has compiled a list of helpful links you may need to ease the stress of applying for the assistance. Keep in mind that after COVID-19 has been eradicated, the financial hardships may continue. If you do not have a budget for your home, you may want to consider making one. There are many apps that can help you create a budget and access where you can save money.

Employment Insurance wait times have been eliminated for those laid off due to COVID -19. However, due to the volume of Canadians being laid off, the queue to deal with your claim will be much longer than usual.

<https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/corporate/notices/coronavirus.html>

Canada Revenue Agency, yearly income tax deadline to file taxes has been extended to June 1, 2020. Also, the date for taxes to be paid has been extended to August 31 without interest.

<https://www.ctvnews.ca/health/coronavirus/the-tax-deadline-has-been-extended-due-to-the-covid-19-crisis-1.4858098>

Student loan and debt relief is available for those paying student loans

<https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/corporate/notices/coronavirus.html>

Many IAMAW members have small businesses to supplement their income. The following link will help you apply for financial aid for your small business.

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Halifax – Tel/Tél. : 902-481-0077 Fax/Téloc.: 902-481-0079  
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Toronto – Tel/Tél. : 905-671-3192 (Toll free/Sans frais : 1-877-426-2948) Fax/Téloc.: 905-671-2114 (Toll free/Sans frais : 1-866-298-0369)  
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<https://www.canada.ca/en/services/business/maintaingrowimprovebusiness/resources-for-canadian-businesses.html>

If you are out of the country trying to get home, the government has created a loan program to help those needing to purchase flights, food and lodging.

<https://travel.gc.ca/assistance/emergency-info/financial-assistance/covid-19-financial-help>

The following is a link to our Montreal Local Lodge 2309 website. The local lodge will provide information, updates and has further links to resources:

<http://aimta2309.ca/>

The following is a link to our Toronto Local Lodge 2413 website. The local lodge will provide information, updates and has further links to resources:

<http://iamaw2413.ca/>

If you are in a position that your debt load is overwhelming, and you need help with consolidating your expenses, we have compiled a group of companies that consolidate debt and counsel you for debt management. Some of these companies are national and others are regional.

Credit Canada	National	<a href="https://www.creditcanada.com/">https://www.creditcanada.com/</a>
Sands and Associates	British Columbia	<a href="https://www.sands-trustee.com/">https://www.sands-trustee.com/</a>
Farber	British Columbia	<a href="https://www.afarber.com/covid-19-updates/">https://www.afarber.com/covid-19-updates/</a>
Money Mentors	Alberta	<a href="https://moneymentors.ca/">https://moneymentors.ca/</a>
Farber	Alberta	<a href="https://www.afarber.com/covid-19-updates/">https://www.afarber.com/covid-19-updates/</a>
Credit Counseling Society	Saskatchewan	<a href="https://www.nomoredebts.org/">https://www.nomoredebts.org/</a>
LC Taylor	Manitoba	<a href="https://lctaylor.com/">https://lctaylor.com/</a>
Farber	Ontario	<a href="https://www.afarber.com/covid-19-updates/">https://www.afarber.com/covid-19-updates/</a>
Spergal	Ontario	<a href="https://www.spergel.ca/">https://www.spergel.ca/</a>
Pierre Roy	Quebec	<a href="https://pierreroi.com/en/">https://pierreroi.com/en/</a>
Raymond Chabot	Quebec	<a href="https://www.raymondchabot.com/en/">https://www.raymondchabot.com/en/</a>
Credit Counselling Services	Atlantic Canada	<a href="https://www.solveyourdebts.com/">https://www.solveyourdebts.com/</a>

In solidarity,



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