

## Alberta Family Employment Tax Credit (AFETC)

The **Alberta Family Employment Tax Credit (AFETC)** helps lower and middle-income working families provide for their children.

The AFETC is refundable, meaning a household can receive the benefit even if they do not owe provincial income taxes. You're automatically considered for the AFETC when you file your annual tax return and if you already receive the federal government's Canada Child Benefit.

Working families receiving AISH, Income Support and the child care subsidy are eligible to receive the AFETC. Receiving the AFETC will not affect your eligibility for these programs.

If you would like support in this application process, you can contact [Alberta Supports](#), who can assist you and refer you to other programs you might be eligible for.

### **Alberta Family Employment Tax Credit (AFETC)** *Application Process*



#### **Confirm Eligibility**

To be eligible for the AFETC, you must:

- Be a parent of one or more children under 18;
- Be a resident of Alberta for at least one month prior to receiving the credit;
- File a tax return.

In addition to this, you and your family must earn a family working income of more than \$2,760, and less than:

- \$61,862 for families with 1 child;
- \$79,662 for families with 2 children;
- \$90,337 for families with 3 children;



## Applying for AFETC

You're automatically considered for the AFETC when you file your annual tax return and if you already receive the federal government's Canada Child Benefit. No further action is required.

For information on how to apply for the Canada Child Benefit please see the 'federal' pathways on this website.

### Approved

You will see if you have been approved on your notice of assessment for your income tax returns.

### Rejected

You will see if you have been rejected on your notice of assessment for your income tax returns.

You can file a Notice of Objection within 90 days of your notice of assessment or notice of determination. More information on how to file an objection can be found [here](#).

### Payment

The AFETC program is administered by the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) on the province's behalf. Payments are mailed or direct deposited by CRA in 2 instalments - January and July.

If you get less than \$20 a year for the AFETC, you will receive only one payment for the full year.

Use this [child and family benefits calculator](#) to find out how much you may be entitled to.

### Continuously File Income Taxes

To continue to receive the AFETC, it is important to you file federal and provincial taxes annually.