

Top 8 Most Generous Ridings Giving \$\$\$ to Anti-Choice Groups

Human Rights Wall of Shame

Individual Members of Parliament can direct Canada Summer Jobs funding to groups in their ridings. Some ridings scored consistently high for anti-choice grants. How generous are these ridings to anti-choice groups?

Too generous!
The top eight alone has given \$760,000 to them from 2010 to 2017. We dug up the data below.



What happened with the Canada Summer Jobs program?

In April 2017, the Abortion Rights Coalition of Canada reported that many anti-choice groups had been getting federal government funding to hire summer students under the Canada Summer Jobs (CSJ) program – about \$1.7 million since 2010! (Here's the list with amounts and years: <https://goo.gl/4C1ZsC>)

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and Employment Minister Patty Hajdu quickly announced that Liberal ridings would no longer award CSJ funding to anti-choice groups, and that the government would look at ways to permanently change the program to prevent any MP from allocating public funds to anti-choice groups.

In December, an attestation requirement was announced, requiring eligible CSJ applicants to tick a box attesting that their core mandate activity and the summer job activity itself would respect Charter rights and associated human rights, including reproductive and LGBT rights. "Respect" means to not work to actively undermine those rights – it does not mean support for them.

Riding	MP	Anti-choice Groups	Amount
Moncton-Riverview-Dieppe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Robert Goguen, CPC, to 2015 Ginette Petitpas-Taylor, LPC, current 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pregnancy & Wellness Centre of Moncton Birthright 	\$285.6K
Calgary Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Joan Crockatt, CPC, to 2015 Kent Hehr, LPC, current 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Calgary Pregnancy Care Centre 	\$84.7 K
Calgary Northeast	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Devinder Shory, CPC, to 2015 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Canadian Centre for Bio-Ethical Reform 	\$81.5 K
Guelph	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Frank Valeriote, LPC, to 2015 Lloyd Longfield, LPC, current 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alliance for Life Beginnings Family Services Guelph Right to Life De Veber Institute 	\$67.9 K
Mississauga South	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paul Szabo, LPC Stella Ambler, CPC, to 2015 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Campaign Life Coalition 	\$68.0 K
Mississauga-Erin Mill	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Iqra Khalid, LPC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Canadian Centre for Bio-Ethical Reform De Veber Institute 	\$61.7 K
Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cheryl Gallant, CPC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> First Steps Crisis Pregnancy Centre Life Site News Priests for Life DeVeber Institute 	\$57.4 K
Haldimand-Norfolk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diane Finley, CPC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Haldimand Pregnancy Care Norfolk Pregnancy Care 	\$55.3K