

COVID-19 SERIES: FROM CRISIS TO RECOVERY

The Government as Employer of Last Resort?

Evidence from a Canadian Experiment

Recently, but especially since the COVID-19 pandemic, there's been renewed interest in the idea of a guaranteed annual income. Less well known, there's been a renewal in the idea of a job guarantee. In this presentation, we will look at the history of the job guarantee policy idea and explore the impact of a little-known federal pilot project from the early 2000's called the Community Employment Innovation Project (CEIP). In many respects, the CEIP mimicked the way advocates say a job guarantee should work. Drawing on the CEIP case, our speaker will offer some policy recommendations for the design of both policy ideas in a post-COVID world.

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