

Information, grants, services and support to help your business



Need support?

Territory Business Centres

The Territory Business Centres provide businesses across the Northern Territory with information about starting a business, licensing requirements, and government assistance programs.

Offices are located in Darwin, Alice Springs, Katherine and Tennant Creek.

Contact the Territory Business Centre
P: 1800 193 111
E: territorybusinesscentre@nt.gov.au

Small Business Champions

If you are a Northern Territory business, Aboriginal enterprise or not-for-profit, you can get help from a Small Business Champion.

A Small Business Champion can help you identify the types of support your business can access including networking, contacts, information, tools and resources.

Contact the Small Business Champions
P: 1800 193 111
E: businessinfo@nt.gov.au

industry.nt.gov.au

Northern Territory initiatives for businesses

Roadhouse to Recovery Grant



APPLICATIONS ARE NOW OPEN

Funding is available to assist Territory wayside inns and roadhouses to improve their visitor experience and support infrastructure improvements.

Families are a growing self-drive market, and infrastructure that supports families, such as play spaces, family cabins or rooms or baby change room amenities, will be welcomed as part of this program.

The Northern Territory Government will provide \$3 for each \$1 spent by the eligible business, up to a maximum of \$150,000.

Applications close 14 January 2021 at 4pm.

Small Business Pivot Grant



APPLICATIONS ARE NOW OPEN

The Small Business Pivot Grant is available to businesses to improve their digital capabilities, including e-commerce solutions and the use of technology to improve visibility and profitability.

Funding can be used to make improvements to the business premises, undertake future skilling or purchase new technology and equipment to assist with accessing new markets.

Grants of up to \$10,000 will be available for eligible businesses, with a matched 50:50 co-contribution requirement.

Applications close 2 February 2021.

Small Business JobMaker Booster



The JobMaker Booster has two schemes available to help Territory businesses with specific hiring needs for new workers.

FOR EMPLOYERS REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN

The Northern Territory Government's JobMaker Booster builds on the Australian Government's JobMaker Hiring Credit Scheme. To access this additional support, Territory employers will first need to register with the Australian Government's JobMaker Hiring Credit Scheme. Applications for the Northern Territory JobMaker Booster will then open in February 2021, in line with the Australian Government's JobMaker Hiring scheme.

FOR PEAK INDUSTRY BODIES APPLICATIONS OPEN 15 JANUARY 2021

Matched funding is available to peak industry bodies to support interstate marketing campaigns to target workers to come to the Territory to fill jobs with skills shortages.

Small Business Survival Payment



APPLICATIONS ARE NOW OPEN

The Small Business Survival Payment has been established to provide businesses significantly impacted by the coronavirus with funding to help them survive, adapt and prepare for economic rebound.

One-off payments of between \$2,000 and \$20,000 will be offered to support businesses that have experienced considerable reductions in turnover and need some support to get through the ongoing COVID-19 impacts.

- \$2,000 for businesses with one full time equivalent employee or FTE (including sole traders)
- \$5,000 for businesses with 2 to 5 FTEs
- \$10,000 for businesses with 6 to 19 FTEs
- \$20,000 for businesses with more than 20 FTEs

Applications will close once funds have been fully committed.

Not-For-Profit Tourism Attraction Survival Payment



APPLICATIONS ARE NOW OPEN

The Not-for-Profit Tourism Attraction Survival Payment has been established to support not-for-profit tourist attractions such as non-government museums and historical sites.

One-off payments of between \$2,000 and \$20,000 will support those not-for-profits that have experienced considerable reductions in turnover and need support to get through the ongoing COVID-19 impacts and the traditionally low tourist season.

- \$2,000 for organisations with one paid full time equivalent employee (FTE)
- \$5,000 for organisations with 2 to 5 FTEs
- \$10,000 for organisations with 6 to 19 FTEs
- \$20,000 for organisations with more than 20 FTEs

Applications will close once funds have been fully committed.

Small Business Customer Experience Grant



APPLICATIONS OPEN 15 JANUARY 2021

The Small Business CX Grant is a one-off grant for those looking to enhance the customer experience they offer for locals and visitors alike.

Customer experience enhancements should address front-of-house improvements for consumers. This could include shade for outdoor seating, misting fans or enhancing shop fronts and entrances.

This grant will be offered through a competitive process, with grants of up to \$20,000 available on a 50:50 co contribution basis.

Applications close 28 February 2021.

For more information and to apply, go to businessrecovery.nt.gov.au

Small Business Financial Fitness Fund



APPLICATIONS ARE NOW OPEN

The Small Business Financial Fitness Fund will assist businesses to build a greater understanding of their financial position and develop strategies to improve sustainability. Peak bodies are invited to submit an application to deliver relevant financial training programs for small businesses specific to their sector.

Training Providers are invited to submit an application to deliver financial and business sustainability training for small businesses. Small businesses will select the most appropriate training program that meets their business needs.

FOR PEAK INDUSTRY BODIES

- Grants of up to \$250,000 are available to deliver a training program specific to their sector, with support from the Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade.

FOR TRAINING PROVIDERS/ ORGANISATIONS

- Training providers/organisations can register to deliver financial and business sustainability training for small businesses
- Eligible businesses can apply to participate in a financial fitness training program to improve their financial and business sustainability from March 2021.

Applications close 21 January 2021.

Small Business Saver Grant



APPLICATIONS OPEN 15 FEBRUARY 2021

Following the impact of COVID-19, many local businesses have struggled to get back to a financially stable position, reporting that their cash-flows were significantly impacted.

With the Business Hardship Package due to finish mid-2021, which provides relief to power, water and other ongoing costs, the Small Business Saver Grant will be available to businesses to help reduce overall ongoing costs.

Grants of up to \$10,000 will be available for eligible applicants, with a matched 50:50 co-contribution requirement.

Applications close 28 March 2021.

Small Business Supply Chain Solver



APPLICATIONS OPEN 15 FEBRUARY 2021

The Small Business Supply Chain Solver will assist businesses experiencing difficulties with supply chain challenges, such as increasing stock space and remote food supply.

Businesses can apply for funding of up to \$10,000 on a 50:50 co-contribution basis, to be assessed on a competitive basis.

Applications close 28 March 2021.

Territory Jobs Hub

The Territory Jobs Hub online portal helps Territory workers to find a new job quickly. Territory employers can post job vacancies for free and the 'smart match' feature will match the job to suitable job seekers, notifying them of the job posting and the option to apply.

Employers and job seekers can register details at:
cited.com.au/territory-jobs-hub

Business Hardship Package

Support is available through the Business Hardship Package for businesses that have experienced a 30 percent loss in turnover due to COVID-19. Businesses can register online for a Business Hardship Certificate that can be used to apply for relevant concessions such as payroll tax, power and water bills, rents and rates.

The Business Hardship Package is available until 1 July 2021.





AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT

Initiatives and information to help your business

The 2020-21 Federal Budget committed record funding to rebuild our economy and secure Australia's long term economic future.

There are opportunities for NT businesses to benefit from the Australian Government initiatives and funding to assist you and will help with the recovery from COVID-19.

JobMaker Hiring Credit

The JobMaker Hiring Credit is available to employers for each new job they create over the next 12 months for which they hire an eligible young person, aged 16 to 35 years old.

Eligible employers can claim \$200 a week for each additional eligible employee they hire aged 16 to 29 years old; and \$100 a week for each additional eligible employee aged 30 to 35 years old.

New jobs created until 6 October 2021 will attract the JobMaker Hiring Credit for up to 12 months from the date the new position is created.

For more information go to ato.gov.au

Boosting Apprenticeship Commencements Wage Subsidy

The Australian Government is investing \$1.2 billion to support up to 100,000 new apprentices and trainees.

Eligible employers can apply for a wage subsidy of 50% of a commencing or recommencing apprentice or trainee's gross wages paid from 5 October 2020 until 30 September 2021, up to \$7,000 per quarter.

For more information go to dese.gov.au

Contact: GTNT Group - Australian Apprenticeship Support Network
E: aasnservices@gtntgroup.com.au P: 08 8935 8200

Business Tax Incentives

The Australian Government is supporting Australian businesses to invest, grow and create more jobs through targeted tax incentives.

Temporary full expensing

Until 30 June 2022, businesses with turnover up to \$5 billion will be able to deduct the full cost of eligible depreciable assets of any value in the year they are first used or installed ready for use. The cost of improvements made during this period to existing eligible depreciable assets can also be fully deducted.

Temporary loss carry-back to support cash flow

The Government will also allow companies with turnover up to \$5 billion to offset tax losses against previous profits on which tax has been paid to generate a refund.

Exempting retraining from the Fringe Benefit Tax.

The Government is exempting employer-provided retraining activities from FBT. It will encourage businesses to retrain and redeploy their workers to new roles within the business.

Greater access to tax concessions

The Government is expanding access to a range of small business tax concessions for small to medium businesses by lifting the aggregated annual turnover threshold from \$10 million to \$50 million, providing tax relief and reducing red tape for businesses.

Research and Development Tax Incentive (R&DTI)

For small claimants (turnover less than \$20 million), the Government will increase the refundable R&D tax offset to 18.5 percentage points above the claimant's company tax rate, and there will be no \$4 million cap on annual cash refunds. For larger claimants, the Government will streamline the intensity test from three to two tiers and increase the non-refundable R&D tax offset rates. These changes apply from 1 July 2021.

For more information on the Tax Incentives, go to budget.gov.au



Need advice?

The Australian Government have a dedicated team, available for calls between 8am – 8pm, Monday to Friday Phone: 13 28 46

[Business.gov.au](https://business.gov.au)



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