



## **Jobs Assist Program**

### **Up to \$8,000 funding available to Queensland Businesses**

Inspired Leadership is pleased to announce that Anna Searle is an Approved Business Support Consultant under the Jobs Assist Program. This means that you have access to services outlined below. Funding availability is subject to change, with no guarantee that this opportunity will continue in the future. We encourage all eligible businesses to secure this service as soon as possible.

#### **What's the benefit to YOU?**

Your business receives assistance to maintain existing employment, create employment and sustain your business activities.

You will receive an independent Strategic Assessment of your business, identifying areas of strength, availability of market opportunities, and those areas that require strengthening. You will receive a full report identifying a range of issues facing your business together with strategies and actions recommended to support and improve your business. You will also receive expert advice, mentoring and consulting with regard to implementing key action steps identified in the strategic review.

And it's risk free for you - You receive the benefit of the consulting services with no financial outlay to you or your business.

#### **What is the Jobs Assist Program?**

The Jobs Assist Program provides support to Queensland businesses through Queensland's Department of Employment, Economic Development & Innovation (DEEDI), in two stages:

**Stage 1** provides up to \$3,000 to assist you, the client, to engage our services, as an approved Business Support Consultant, to conduct an assessment of your business and develop an Action Plan to address all strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats of the business, including addressing deficiencies in working capital, and effectiveness of the business's reporting process. This assessment includes the development of strategies and actions to support and improve the business overall.

**Stage 2** provides up to \$5,000 worth of consulting or training services to guide and support you, the client, to implement the activities identified as immediate priority tasks in your Stage 1 Action Plan.

Eligible businesses need to apply for each stage.

#### **Are you Eligible?**

Grants are available for Queensland based businesses satisfying the following criteria:

1. Employ 10 or more full time equivalent employees
2. Have an ABN (Australian Business Number) and be registered for GST (Goods & Services Tax)
3. Be experiencing one of the following:
  - a. negative variation in working capital, having declined by more than 25% between two points in time i.e. 30 June 2009 and the most recent reporting period, or
  - b. between two points in time, the business begins the two point period with negative working capital and remains in that position at the end of the two point period

AND, EITHER

4. Based within a "Priority Employment Area"

OR

5. Fall within one of Queensland's "Key Industry Sectors" and be considered of critical or strategic importance to the State, region, industry or in a significant sectoral supply chain

#### **How do you Apply?**

If you would like to submit an application for funding or require further information regarding the Jobs Assist Program, contact Anna Searle, Inspired Leadership, on (07) 5451 1880 or 0414 453 913.



**Priority Employment Areas** (v2 as at 1Sep 2009)

Priority Employment Areas are Post Code determined. If your business is based in an eligible post code area, you do NOT need to fall within a Key Industry Sector.

Region - Area	Council - Shire	Eligible Post Codes
Bundaberg-Hervey Bay	Bundaberg	4670
	Burnett	4670 4673
	Hervey Bay	4581 4655 4659 4662
	Isis	4660 4671
	Kolan	4671 4674
	Maryborough	4581 4650
	Miriam Vale	4674 4676 4677 4678
Caboolture-Sunshine Coast	Caboolture	4504 4505 4506 4507 4508 4510 4511 4512 4514 4516 4521
	Caloundra	4517 4518 4519 4550 4551 4552 4553 4575
	Maroochy	4554 4555 4556 4557 4558 4559 4560 4561 4562 4564 4572 4573 4574
	Noosa	4562 4563 4565 4566 4567 4568 4569 4571 4573
Cairns	Atherton	4872 4882 4883
	Cairns	4861 4865 4868 4869 4870 4871 4872 4878 4879
	Cardwell	4849 4852 4854
	Douglas	4873 4877
	Eacham	4884 4885 4886
	Johnstone	4852 4855 4856 4857 4858 4859 4860 4871
Ipswich-Logan	Ipswich	4300 4301 4303 4304 4305 4306 4307 4340 4346
	Logan	4114 4117 4118 4119 4123 4124 4125 4127 4128 4129 4130 4131 4132 4133
Townsville-Thuringowa	Burdekin	4806 4807 4808 4809
	Charters Towers	4820
	Dalrymple	4816 4820
	Hinchinbrook	4850
	Thuringowa	4815 4816 4817 4818
	Townsville	4810 4811 4812 4813 4814 4815 4816 4819
Southern Wide Bay-Burnett	Cherbourg	4605
	Cooloola	4563 4570 4580 4581
	Kilkivan	4600 4601
	Murgon	4605
	Nanango	4306 4610 4615
	Tiaro	4570 4650

**Key Industry Sectors**

Key Industry Sectors are identified in the Queensland Government’s Smart Industry Policy which shows how the Queensland Government works with priority industry sectors to create the jobs of tomorrow. For more information, refer [www.industry.qld.gov.au](http://www.industry.qld.gov.au), and click on “Key industries”.

- Advanced manufacturing
- Alternative and renewable fuels
- Aquaculture
- Aviation and aerospace
- Biotechnology
- Creative industries
- Defence
- Environmental and mining technologies and services
- Fibre composites
- Information and communication technology (ICT)
- Liquefied natural gas (LNG)
- Marine
- Processed food
- Therapeutic medicines and devices
- Tourism
- Wine