



# Business grants and assistance

Queensland, Australian and local governments offer a range of support and assistance to new and established businesses to help you grow and succeed.

Trade and Investment Queensland's (TIQ) regional network provides localised knowledge and assistance to small to medium enterprises to maximise investment and export outcomes for Queensland.

A key priority under *Advancing Trade and Investment – Queensland Trade and Investment Strategy 2017–2022* is supporting small to medium enterprises.

The following services, grants and assistance are available to Queensland SMEs to grow exports and attract investment and links can be found at [tiq.qld.gov.au/businessgrants](http://tiq.qld.gov.au/businessgrants).

## Queensland Government

### Grants Finder

[www.grants.services.qld.gov.au](http://www.grants.services.qld.gov.au)

Find Queensland Government grants and assistance programs that may help you.

### [business.qld.gov.au](http://business.qld.gov.au)

#### Business grants

[www.business.qld.gov.au/starting-business/advice-support/grants](http://www.business.qld.gov.au/starting-business/advice-support/grants)

Learn about business grants in Queensland, how to find grants, complete applications and access business support.

#### Business Growth Fund

[www.business.qld.gov.au/starting-business/advice-support/grants/growth-fund](http://www.business.qld.gov.au/starting-business/advice-support/grants/growth-fund)

A grant program which provides targeted assistance for small and medium businesses that demonstrate high-growth and employment aspirations to enable them to purchase specialised equipment or services to help them seize a growth opportunity.

### Small business grants

[www.ditid.qld.gov.au/small-business/grants](http://www.ditid.qld.gov.au/small-business/grants)

DITID offers three grant programs under *Advancing Small Business Queensland Strategy 2016–20*:

- Accelerate Small Business Grants
- Small Business Digital Grants
- Small Business Entrepreneur Grants

### Jobs and Regional Growth Fund

[statedevelopment.qld.gov.au/industry/industry-support/jobs-and-regional-growth-fund](http://statedevelopment.qld.gov.au/industry/industry-support/jobs-and-regional-growth-fund)

The fund helps facilitate private sector projects which create employment and economic growth opportunities in regional areas outside South East Queensland facing significant economic and employment challenges.

Financial assistance ranging from \$100,000 to over \$10 million is available for proponents to apply directly.

Applications are assessed under an appropriate set of criteria and the type and level of assistance is determined on a case-by-case basis.

### Advance Queensland

[advance.qld.gov.au/our-vision](http://advance.qld.gov.au/our-vision)

Funding of \$650 million is supporting programs that drive innovation, build on our natural advantages, and help raise Queensland's profile as an attractive investment destination.

Opportunities are available to:

- Entrepreneurs and startups
- Investors
- Small business
- Industry
- Universities and researchers

### Advancing Regional Innovation Program

[advance.qld.gov.au/small-business/advancing-regional-innovation](https://advance.qld.gov.au/small-business/advancing-regional-innovation)

12 Queensland regions have access to a dedicated fund of \$500,000 each over three years, with activities including mentoring and capability development, and innovation spaces to coordinate local efforts and connect entrepreneurs with each other and with industry.

### Business Development Fund

[advance.qld.gov.au/entrepreneurs-and-startups-industry-investors-small-business/business-development-fund](https://advance.qld.gov.au/entrepreneurs-and-startups-industry-investors-small-business/business-development-fund)

Queensland businesses at the forefront of commercialising cutting edge research or innovative ideas, products or services have the opportunity to access \$40 million of investment to help unlock their innovative potential, with available funding of between \$125,000 and \$2.5 million for individual businesses.

### Mentoring for Growth Program

[www.business.qld.gov.au/running-business/growing-business/mentoring-growth](https://www.business.qld.gov.au/running-business/growing-business/mentoring-growth)

Mentoring for Growth (M4G) offers eligible businesses access to volunteer business experts who provide insights, options and suggestions relating to business challenges and opportunities.

## Australian Government

### Business assistance

[www.business.gov.au/Assistance](https://www.business.gov.au/Assistance)

Search for a range of grants, assistance, advisory services and training to help you find the right support for your business activities.

### Austrade Export Market Development Grants

[www.austrade.gov.au/Australian/Export/Export-Grants](https://www.austrade.gov.au/Australian/Export/Export-Grants)

Export Market Development Grants provide exporters who want to increase their international sales with reimbursements of up to 50% of promotional expenses. Promotional expenses must be over \$15,000 and a maximum of \$150,000.

### AusIndustry

[business.gov.au/outreach-network](https://business.gov.au/outreach-network)

AusIndustry is the Australian Government's principal agency for delivering assistance, programs and services which support industry, research and innovation.

Its national network of regional managers provide advice and assistance to businesses across regional Australia and link businesses to relevant assistance programs, working with industry experts to provide face-to-face advice tailored to the profile and needs of each business.

### Efic

[www.efic.gov.au/what-we-do/working-capital-solutions](https://www.efic.gov.au/what-we-do/working-capital-solutions)

Efic is the Australian Government's export credit agency, providing export finance solutions to help you take advantage of international opportunities.

## Local government

Contact your local council to determine what support and assistance they may provide.



With eight offices located in regions around Queensland, we can help you source the support and assistance you need to help you achieve your export or investment goals.

For further information and to assist with your enquiries contact your nearest TIQ regional office today.

[tiq.qld.gov.au/connect/about-us/regional-advisors](https://tiq.qld.gov.au/connect/about-us/regional-advisors)

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