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City of Melbourne offers Small Business Grants

The City of Melbourne is offering financial support of up to \$30,000 to small businesses with market ready products or services that enhance the City of Melbourne's reputation for innovation and creativity.

The Grants are available to small businesses (start-ups or established businesses) from any sector who are currently located or intending to locate within the City of Melbourne.

- 1. There are four Grant categories:
- 2. Start-up
- Business Expansion
 Export entry
- 5. Business support services

Eligibility:

Whilst the Grant is open to all sectors, they actively encourage applications from advanced manufacturing, biotechnology, creative industries amongst others.

Any small business who meets the Grant Objectives can apply. These include:

- 1. Enhancing Melbourne's reputation for innovation, creativity, business vitality, diversity, inclusiveness and environmental sustainability.
- 2. Create employment opportunities and increase the level of business investment in the municipality.
- 3. Support innovative businesses with market potential and a sound business model, including long term financial viability.
- 4. Increase overall value and volume of exports from the City of Melbourne municipality.
- 5. Fostering new partnerships and collaboration between businesses and support groups.
- 6. Encourage and support new, creative and diverse business activities that will contribute to a thriving business environment in Melbourne City.

Applications close Monday, 7 August.

Guidelines can be accessed HERE.

Those interested in applying must register to attend a lunchtime workshop session. You can do so HERE.

You can start your application HERE.