# Before you start

Business Boost grants program (Program), Round 4 The first stage of the application process, is the **Registration of Interest (ROI)**.

The Department of Employment, Small Business and Training (DESBT) will only accept submissions for this grant online through SmartyGrants.

# Applicants cannot submit any additional information or evidence after submitting their application.

## 1.Stage 1: ROI:

- During Stage 1, applicants register their interest in the grant program.
- Important: DESBT accepts online submissions only via this designated form.
- Once submitted, applicants **cannot** provide additional information or evidence for the ROI.

## 2.Stage 2: Full Application (If Selected):

- If an applicant progresses to Stage 2, they will receive notification.
- At this point, they must provide **further supporting evidence** for their grant application.

## # About this form

Before completing this application form, please review the **Business Boost Round 4** <u>Guidelines</u> and <u>Terms and Conditions</u>.

## Icons key

✓ Acceptable # Evidence required # Hint # Notice # Please note # Warning

## # Tips for completing this form

As you fill out the form:

- Take your time to read each question and the accompanying information carefully before answering.
- Remember to click '**Save**' often as you progress; SmartyGrants won't save your progress automatically.
- Include only realistic and probable answers.
- Once you're done, click '**Submit**' to send the completed form to the Department for processing.
- If you are unsure how to respond to a question, please email your concerns or queries to <a href="mailto:boost@desbt.qld.gov.au">boost@desbt.qld.gov.au</a>.

## # Handling validation errors

Validation errors (red highlighted boxes) may appear as you work through this form.

If this happens, ignore them until you have finished your data entry and have clicked save.

The most common reason for error boxes include:

- you have not filled in a mandatory/required field, this can include a file upload question
- you have used letters in a number question field and/or
- you have gone over the word limit on a question.

Where errors persist, carefully read the error message and/or hint provided for completing the question or section before reviewing and updating your entry.

You must resolve all validation errors before you can submit this form.

## # Application warnings

DESBT will only consider:

✓ an application from a <b>Responsible Perso</b> with a direct link to the business. We will not accept applications from third parties.		
	# Third parties can include a business or a financial advisor, such as an accountant, or the supplier mentioned in the grant funded activity.	
<ul> <li>one application per business, related party or financial beneficiary.</li> </ul>	# DESBT considers a related party and/or financial beneficiary to be those who gain an advantage and/or profits from something including receipt or distribution from a trust,	

will or life insurance policy. This can include companies with common shareholdings, directors, employees, or immediate family.

# Ineligible Applicant submissions will not be considered for a Stage 2 Full Application.

# Eligibility

### \* indicates a required field

## Confirmation of eligibility

This section of the registration form is designed to help both the Applicant and DESBT determine eligibility for this grant.

### # Please complete this section before proceeding further.

If you have any questions regarding the eligibility criteria, please contact the DESBT **Small Business Hotline on 1300 654 687** or email <u>boost@desbt.qld.gov.au</u>.

The **Applicant** means the legal entity applying for financial assistance under the Program and submitting to DESBT.

# I confirm the Applicant has read and understood the Guidelines and Terms and Conditions $\ensuremath{^*}$

⊖ Yes

O No

### I confirm the Applicant at the time of submitting this registration: \*

□ has more than 1 and less than 20 employees (by headcount)

□ is operating and has an active Australian Business Number (ABN)

 $\Box$  is registered for GST

□ has a registered Queensland headquarters location (as per your Australian Business Register (ABR) record)

□ is established and financially sound

 $\Box$  is experiencing growth, with a gross profit in the last financial year (2023/24)

□ has a minimum turnover of \$300,000 (minimum) in the last financial year (2023/24)

□ has a publicly accessible web presence to identify business operations (for example, business website, social media pages)

□ has NOT received funding under Rounds 1 to 3 of the Business Boost grants program

□ is NOT insolvent or have owners/directors that are an undischarged or currently bankrupt

**#Please note:** You must maintain an active ABN, GST registration, QLD headquarters for the **duration** of the grant-funded activity.

# I am authorised/delegated to apply on behalf of the Applicant and I am NOT a third party $\ensuremath{^*}$

⊖ Yes

#### O No

# Third parties can include business and financial advisors, e.g. accountants, or suppliers in your application and where you submit your application from, e.g. from an accountant or supplier's office.

# Applicant details

### \* indicates a required field

## Privacy Statement

DESBT collects your personal information for the purposes of:

- managing the Business Boost Grants;
- promoting relevant issues and services to you; and
- researching and reporting on grant programs.

DESBT, including its employees, may use and disclose the personal information provided in the application to third parties for these purposes. Third parties include:

- Queensland government departments and agencies;
- Commonwealth government departments and agencies;
- other state or territory government departments and agencies; and
- non-government organisations.

DESBT or the Minister responsible for the Small Business portfolio may publish grant recipient information on government websites or in media releases while publicising the outcomes of the program. Published information may include business name, funding amount, suburb/postcode, and outcome details.

DESBT will only use your personal information for these purposes. DESBT will handle your personal information in accordance with the *Information Privacy Act 2009*. DESBT will not otherwise use or disclose the information unless authorised or required by law.

You may view the Queensland Government's privacy guide at <u>www.qld.gov.au/legal/privacy</u>.

### I confirm the Applicant has read, understood and accepts the Privacy Statement.

⊖ Yes

O No

## Applicant organisation details

# The ABN you enter below must be the ABN associated with the applying entity/business.

## Applicant ABN \*

The ABN provided will be used to look up the following information. Click Lookup above to check that you have entered the ABN correctly.

Information from the Australian Business Register		
ABN		
Entity name		
ABN status		
Entity type		
Goods & Services Tax (GST)		
DGR Endorsed		
ATO Charity Type	More information	
ACNC Registration		
Tax Concessions		
Main business location		

Must be an ABN.

The ABN lookup is extracted from the Australian Business Register (https://abr.business.gov.au/)

# Please check through your business' ABR record that appears in the grey box:

- Is the ABN Status active?
- Is the Goods Services Tax (GST) active?
- Is the Main business location in Qld?

# If the answer to any of these questions is No:

1.Apply to update your ABR record. It only takes 24-hours to update.

• https://www.abr.gov.au/business-super-funds-charities/updating-or-cancellingyour-abn/update-your-abn-details 2.Wait 24-hours, re-enter your application and click '**save**' on the page. This should refresh the form with the updates from your ABR record.

Applicant entity name (per above ABN lookup): * Organisation Name	# Please enter your <i>entity name</i> (associated with your ABN above) using <b>capitalisation</b> for the first letter of each word.	
	<ul> <li>Avoid using all uppercase or all lowercase letters.</li> </ul>	
	# By following this guideline, applicants can ensure clarity and consistency in their submissions. We thank you for your attention to detail!	
	# If you enter a different business name to the registered entity name above, your application may be deemed ineligible if a clear association between the name and the ABN cannot be validated.	
Has the Applicant previously operated this business under a different ABN? *		

## ⊖ Yes O No

Previous ABN number		# Supporting evidence Please provide evidence of the previous ABN * Attach a file:		
Please enter the previous ABN number: *				
The ABN provided will be used to look up the following Lookup above to check that you have entered the ABN	information. Click correctly.	A minimum of 1 file must be attached.		
Information from the Australian Business Register Acceptable evidence includes:				
ABN		<ul> <li>a copy of the applicants Austr</li> </ul>	alian	
Entity name		Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) Company	,	
ABN status		Statement listing both entities		
Entity type		<ul> <li>a copy of ABR record to list the or</li> </ul>	history,	
Goods & Services Tax (GST)		• a copy of the ABN Certificate to	1	
DGR Endorsed		substantiate ownership of the p	revious	
ATO Charity Type	More informat	ion ABN		
ACNC Registration				
Tax Concessions				
Main business location				
Must be an ABN.				

# Organisation details - contact information

Primary phone number \*

Must be an Australian phone number

Secondary phone number

Must be an Australian phone number.



# Please note: the outcome of your application will be sent to this email address. Must be an email address.

Primary website \*

# Must be a working URL. Social media and public listing URLs for your business are accepted in lieu of a formal website.

# Organisation details - business entity

# This section relates to the entity identified in the *Applicant ABN* question above and matches the entity identified in the *Applicant entity name* question.

## What entity type does the Applicant Organisation trade under? \*

- Sole Trader
- Company
- Partnership
- ⊖ Trust
- Not for Profit

# Does the Applicant conduct business under a different name (other than the entity named in the Applicant ABN)? \*

- Yes Your own name
- Yes A registered business name
- Yes A trading name
- O No

### Registered / Trading business name: \*

Organisation details - trust

Please explain the relationship between the trust and the business carrying out the business activity:  $\ensuremath{^*}$ 

Word count: Must be at least 10 words.

# How is the registered/trading business name, the name of the business carrying out the business activity linked to the trust entity? \*

• Registered business name under the trust entity's ABR record

O Operating business name listed as a trustee associate organisation in the trust entity's ABR record

Operating business (entity B) is listed as a trustee associate organisation in the trust entity's ABR record (entity A), and that business (entity B) is a company and has the registered business name
 Other

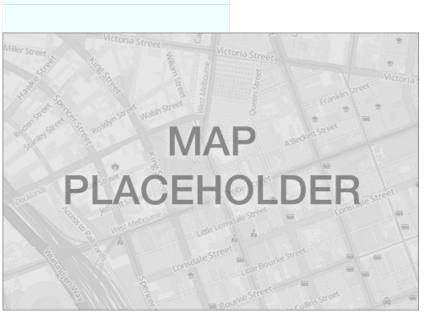
## # Evidence of trust link will be requested at stage 2 (if selected)

# If your application is selected to proceed to Stage 2: Full Application, you will be asked to provide evidence that the Trust is linked to the business carrying out the business activity.

## Business operating address

Please enter the **Queensland** street address location where you operate your business.

#### Street address \* Address



Address Line 1, Suburb/Town, State/Province, and Postcode are required. Country must be Australia Must be a street address (not a PO Box).

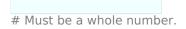
### # Can't find the address?

1.Don't put spaces on either side of a unit right-slash "/" or a dash "-."

- 2.If your address isn't in the lookup, first, search for the street only, select that, click back in the lookup box and select "*Can't find your address?*".
- 3.You can then enter the rest of your address in the address fields.
- 4.Please check that your address is *correct* and that it is in **Queensland**.

## Employee headcount

How many employees (by headcount) does the business have? \*



**# Please note**, to be eligible you must meet the below criteria at the time of applying for the grant:

• Your business must have more than 1 and less than 20 employees.

#### # Employee headcount -

- ✓ includes all full-time, part-time and casual employees, including Non-Executive Directors.
- # excludes business owners, executive directors (not working in the business) and contractors.

# Refer to Page 4 of the FAQs for more information.

## Business turnover and gross profit

Please provide financial details for the last financial year (FY 2023/24).

2023/24 turnover \*

\$
# Must be a whole dollar amount.

#### 2023/24 gross profit \*

\$
# Must be a whole dollar amount.

**# Please note**, to be eligible, you must meet the below criteria at the time of applying for the grant:

• A minimum turnover of \$300,000 (minimum) in the last financial year (2023/24)

**# Turnover** - the money or sales (revenue) that passes through a business entity in a financial year.

• This can be estimated as of 30 June 2024.

**# Gross profit** - business turnover minus the direct costs associated with producing goods or delivering services in a financial year.

# Responsible person

\* indicates a required field

# The responsible person is who we talk to regarding this Business Boost application. They must be either:

- ✓ an owner ✓ a trustee
- ✓ a business partner ✓ a public officer
- ✓ a director ✓ an office bearer of an association
- ✓ an employee manager or higher ✓ a company secretary

Name * Title	First Name		Last Name
Position	title *		
Role in l	ousiness apply	ying	g for funding *
			-
Phone n	umber *		
Must be a	n Australian phon	ie nu	umber.
Mobile r	umber		
Must be a	n Australian phon	ie nu	umber.
Email ac	ldress *		
Must be a	n email address.		

Is the responsible person listed in your Australian Business Register record? \*  $_{\odot}$  Yes  $_{\odot}$  No

# # Evidence of responsible person link will be requested at stage 2 (if selected)

# If your application is selected to proceed to Stage 2: Full Application, you will be asked to provide evidence of the identity of the responsible person and their link to the business.

## Owner-operator diversity

# The following questions apply to the owner-operator of the business, the person nominated as the r**esponsible person** above.

Which of the following best describes the owner operator/s gender identity? *	Does the owner operator/s speak a language other than English at home? *
O Man	<ul> <li>Yes, I speak a language other than English at home</li> </ul>
O Woman	O No
O Non-binary	<ul> <li>I do not wish to answer this question</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>I use a different term</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>I do not wish to answer this question</li> </ul>	
	Is the owner operator/s of Australian Indigenous descent? *
	Aboriginal
What is the owner operator/s age range? *	Torres Strait Islander
O 15-24 years	Australian South Sea Islander
O 25-34 years	None of the above
O 35-44 years	I do not wish to answer this question
O 45-54 years	
O 55-64 years	
O 65-74 years	Does the owner operator/s have a disability? *
O 75-84 years	O Yes
O 85 years and over	O No

Rather not say

I do not wish to answer this question

# Certification and submission

\* indicates a required field

## Applicant declaration

The **Applicant** means the legal entity applying for financial assistance under the Program and submitting to DESBT.

### I certify that: \*

1. I am authorised/delegated to make this declaration on behalf of the Applicant; and

□ 2. I have read and understand the eligibility requirements for the Program as detailed in the Guidelines and Terms and Conditions; and

 $\hfill\square$  3. I am not a third-party as defined in the Guidelines; and

4. The statements made within this ROI are true and correct; and

 $\hfill\square$  5. I have not provided false or misleading information or documentation within this application; and

6. I understand that there is limited funding for this round and submitting this ROI does not guarantee progression to stage 2, or the Applicant will receive a grant.

## # Submitting the registration

- Pressing the '**submit**' button lodges your application.
- Review your application before submitting it, as you **cannot change** your application after lodgement.
- After submitting the application, you will receive an email receipt (please check your junk folders).
- DESBT has not received your application until you have received an email receipt.
- If you do not receive an **email receipt within two business days** of submitting your application, please contact DESBT.

### Enquiries

For further enquiries on this application form, please email <u>boost@desbt.qld.gov.au</u> or call DESBT **Small Business Hotline on 1300 654 687.** 

### Submitting From \*

- business' premises
- home office
- $\bigcirc$  shared workspace
- accountant's / business consultant's office
- supplier's premises

## Application outcomes

**# Note:** You will be notified via email of the outcome of your ROI for this grant.