



# HELP FOR LOCAL BUSINESS

A free service to help access a government grant up to \$20k to make your business greener & reduce your power bills Edition 2: 12 June 2020

### **Register for CitySmart's free Grant Readiness Service**

Do you run a local business? Brisbane City Council's sustainability agency CitySmart can help you access a government energy efficiency grant to reduce power bills and lower your emissions.

CitySmart's Grant Readiness Service will help you apply for a slice of the Federal Government's \$40 million Energy Efficient Communities Program, due to be launched by the Government mid-2020.

This is a free service to help aid economic recovery in Brisbane and help local businesses be more sustainable.

Small businesses can apply for a grant of up to \$20,000 with no co-contribution required. Eligible applicants will be small businesses turning over less than \$10 million per year, and high energy-using businesses consuming over 0.05 petajoules each year.

CitySmart can support you to prepare for your grant application and then help with submission once the Program is opened by the Federal Government.

#### How you can use the funding\*

Eligible activities for the energy efficiency grant may include:

- Equipment upgrades such as new energy efficient air conditioning, refrigeration, hot water and LED lighting
- Energy audits to pinpoint energy use patterns across your business and see where the opportunities lie for savings
- Smart tech like monitoring systems to better monitor your energy usage.

\*Confirmation of eligible activities pending release of grant guidelines from the federal government.



#### How we can help

- Provide information on the type of activities that are eligible for the grant
- Identify appropriate services and suppliers, and connect you with these
- Support you to prepare information in advance for when the grant applications open
- Provide advice to assist you with writing and submitting your grant application.

## Next steps

- 1. Register your interest.
- 2. We'll provide you with further information on the grant program as it develops.
- 3. If you'd like to take advantage of the grant program, we'll discuss your business' needs, and arrange an introduction to relevant services and suppliers.
- 4. We'll support your business to get 'grant-ready' (subject to the final release of full program guidelines) and to successfully submit your grant application.

# **REGISTER YOUR INTEREST NOW**

<u>Click here to complete the online registration form</u> or get in touch with us at 07 3007 7011 or greenheartbusiness@citysmart.com.au

The Grant Readiness Service is an initiative of CitySmart's Green Heart Business Program.



