

COVID INFORMATION: NSW GRANT PACKAGE ANNOUNCED ON 29 JUNE 2021 – GET UP TO \$10,000

NSW Government announced late last week that NSW was to go in a short term lockdown, till at least the 9th of July 2021, in an attempt to control the outbreak of new strain of Covid cases.

On Tuesday 29th of June the NSW government announced new grants to assist small business across NSW who have been impacted by the new restrictions.

Grants Available

Early next month (July 2021) businesses who qualify for grants, will be able to do so through the Service NSW website. The basic criteria are that a business must have had a two week decline in turnover, after the 26 June 2021. The grants applied will range between \$5,000 to \$10,000, to be determined by the following tiered basis:

- \$10,000 for a 70% decline
- \$7,000 for a 50% decline
- \$5,000 for a 30% decline

How to qualify

The grants are divided into 2 streams:

Stream 1.

Small business COVID-19 Support Grant – available to businesses and sole traders:

- i. with a turnover of more than \$75,000 per annum, and
- ii. that have an annual payroll below the payroll tax threshold of \$1.2M at 1 July 2020, and
- iii. that have fewer than 20 full time equivalent employees, and
- iv. have an ABN registered in NSW or able to demonstrate they are physically located and primarily operating in NSW. (Full criteria will be available in coming days on the Service NSW website)

Stream 2.

Hospitality and Tourism COVID-19 Support Grant – available to tourism or hospitality businesses that have a turnover of more than \$75,000 and annual Australian wages of less than \$10M as at 1 July 2020.

These business must have an Australian Business Number (ABN) registered in New South Wales or be able to demonstrate they are physically located and primarily operating in New South Wales.

Final thoughts

You should review your circumstances and determine if you are eligible for the grant and be ready to apply to Service NSW in late July. At this time the Service NSW website is vague on the exact details, ideally before applying you will need to refer to the full criteria to ensure you 100% qualify.

We have also been advised by Service NSW that an Accountant (ie Tax Agent) will need to supply a letter when a business applies for the grant, confirming that your business qualifies for the grant.

More information can be found on the NSW Government Media Release.

<https://www.treasury.nsw.gov.au/sites/default/files/2021-06/Gladys%20Berejiklian%20John%20Barilaro%20Dominic%20Perrottet%20med%20rel%20-%20Major%20new%20COVID-19%20support%20package%20to%20help%20thousands%20of%20businesses%20across%20NSW.pdf>

We will continue to provide information as it presents itself. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact The NGR team on 02 9011 6669.