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# BUSINESS & INDUSTRY



## Support for women in business

Today, on International Women's Day, we celebrate empowerment and inspire inclusion.

Whether you're a woman in business or aspiring to start your own venture, you count on the Service NSW Business Bureau for support. They're dedicated to assisting women in launching, managing, and expanding their businesses, offering crucial resources like funding, education, networks, programs and services tailored to ensure success.

Don't hesitate to explore what they have to offer; you're bound to find some valuable advice.



See what support is available for you

## **Night time economy boost**

New opportunities now exist for businesses to unleash their entertainment, economic and creative potential, especially at nighttime.

This is as a result of the NSW Government's Vibrancy Reforms, which have streamlined, updated, and simplified regulations regarding noise, planning, and liquor licensing to encourage business growth and innovation.



[Learn more about the Vibrancy Reforms](#)

## Opportunities to work with Council

Council engages local contractors and businesses for various projects through the online portal eProcure. We advertise these opportunities inviting either Requests for Quotation (RFQ), Requests for Tender (RFT) or Expressions of Interest (EOI).

For example, we're seeking EOIs for the Five Headlands Coastal Experience Master Plan, Brand and Signage and soon will seek tenders for the Kempsey Regional Saleyards upgrade.

Register on eProcure to receive notifications for future opportunities.



[View the Tenders & EOI page](#)

## Online support for businesses

Did you know Service NSW Business Connect can support you at every stage of your business journey?

From validating your business idea and HR essentials to DIY marketing and managing cash flow, there are a variety of online workshops and resources available for eligible small businesses, all delivered by business experts.

It's a good idea to bookmark the webpage to make it easy to check and see if there are any free events you could take advantage of.



[Check your eligibility and apply here!](#)

## Opportunities

### Energy Efficiency Grants

The Australian Government's Energy Efficiency Grants for small and medium businesses are open. This program aims to help businesses in a range of energy efficiency initiatives including equipment upgrades. Applications close on April 8 2024 at 8 pm. [Find out more](#)

### Small business skills and training boost

Eligible small businesses can claim a 20% bonus deduction on certain eligible training expenditure for their employees. Conditions apply. [Learn more](#)

### Grants and programs

Your business could be eligible for financial and resource assistance. Keep an eye on [Grants and programs](#)

If you have any questions, please contact our Economic Development Team at [business@kempsey.nsw.gov.au](mailto:business@kempsey.nsw.gov.au)