Business Support

Contact details for government and association business assistance. There is a wealth of support available for small business operators in Victoria. The following list will help you access support for specific business issues, as well as referring you to further resources.

Victoria's Small Business Festival

Victoria's Small Business Festival has over 400 exciting business events held across Victoria, providing inspiration, ideas and information during August.

Victorian Government Business Offices

Victorian Government Business Offices (VGBOs) are based throughout regional and metropolitan areas of Victoria so business people can access the services provided by the Department of Innovation, Industry and Regional Development.

Mobile Business Centre

The Mobile Business Centre (MBC) is a travelling office on wheels, visiting locations in metropolitan and regional Victoria during 2011 and offering free business coaching through a mentoring service.

Business Victoria

The Business Victoria phone line (BV) provides easy access for business to a range of export, enterprise improvement, investment, small business and employment services.

Regional Development Victoria

Regional Development Victoria (RDV) is the Victorian Government's lead agency in developing rural and regional Victoria.

Business Enterprise Centres

Business Enterprise Centres (BECs) are independent, community-based organisations, which provide advice and assistance to existing and potential small business owners and operators.

Business Associations

A business association can help provide essential business information and explain how changes to your industry will affect you. The association will also lobby on your behalf.

Solving Disputes

If you have a dispute with a customer, a supplier, an employee or your business partner(s) there may be better strategies than going to court. Find out where you can get help solving your particular business dispute, complaint or problem.

Find an Adviser

Find an Adviser can help you find contact details for accountants, laywers and business mentors in your area relevant to your industry. The advisers are all members of professional organisations with specific areas of expertise.

Small Business Mentoring

Business mentoring aims to support the long term growth of businesses by encouraging small business owners to improve and develop their management skills and competencies.

Flood Support

Businesses impacted by the 2010-2011 floods can now get help from a panel of business advisers at no cost through Small Business Victoria.

Investment

Investment can be made through either Invest Victoria, who provide a range of free and confidential services to your company designed to make investing and re-investing in Victoria as simple as possible, or Invest Assist (Investment Facilitation) who provide a solutions-based approach to facilitation and management of investment projects across all industry sectors.

Small Business Discussion Paper

Have your say on the future direction of small business policy and services in Victoria by writing a submission to Small Business Victoria on the issues facing your business.