Are you eligible?

Application Step 1

**Before you begin:** Please ensure you have read and understood the [Terms and Conditions](#) in full.

The Aboriginal Business Development Program is now a Two Step Application Process.

**Step 1** - Request an appointment with a Small Business Champion by completing and submitting this form.

During Step 1, your application will be reviewed by our Business Services Support team who will compare your request with our program criteria prior to booking your appointment with a Small Business Champion.

You will need to have the following document available to upload:
- Aboriginal Descent / Company Extract confirmation

**Step 2** - This step is for applicants who have been approved in Step 1 by their designated Small Business Champion.

During Step 2 you may need some or all of the following documents available to upload to support your application:
- Business Plan or Feasibility Plan
- Financial Statements BAS or Cash Flow Forecast
- Zoning or Land Tenure Approval
- Government Owned Housing Approval
- Council Land Approvals
- Leasing Documents
- Licences/Permits
- Insurance - Certificate of Currency
- Contract, Agreement and/or Letters of Support
- Compliant Quotes for goods, services or works

Program Evaluation Questions

The following questions are not mandatory, however they assist us with the development of this program.

**How did you find out about the Aboriginal Business Development Program?**

- [ ] NT.GOV.AU website
- [ ] Press release/announcement
- [ ] Internet search engine
- [ ] Memberships held with other associations
- [ ] Previously Accessed ABDP funding
- [ ] Newspaper
- [ ] TV
- [ ] Other: [ ]
- [ ] Friend/family/acquaintance
- [ ] Social media
- [ ] Radio

Please select all that apply, if Other is selected please specify how you heard about ABDP.
Do you hold membership(s) with any of the below associations?
☐ Northern Territory Indigenous Business Network (NTIBN)
☐ Tourism Top End
☐ Chamber of Commerce NT
☐ Industry Capability Network (ICN) NT
☐ Tourism Central Australia
☐ Other: 
☐ Supply Nation
☐ Master Builders
Please select all that apply, if Other is selected please list all memberships held, separating each by a comma.

Internal Use Only
This section is only to be completed by the Small Business Champion Team only.

Confirmation of Manual Application
Small Business Champion Manual applications only
- SBC to upload a signed copy of the application

First Name Last Name

Stage 1 - Appointment Request
* indicates a required field

Program details
The Aboriginal Business Development Program (ABDP) is an NT Government initiative managed by the Department of Trade, Business and Innovation (the Department). The Program is intended to support Aboriginal people interested in either starting a business or expanding an existing business in the NT.

The objectives of the Program are to:
- Support business growth and sustainability;
- Support the creation of new enterprises across industries;
- Increase the number of Aboriginal owned and operated businesses;
- Increase the knowledge and skills of emerging Aboriginal business owners; and
- Create new employment, economic and skill development opportunities for Aboriginal businesses and business owners.

The program intent is to create successful and viable Aboriginal Businesses. Applications are submitted once the business can demonstrate a financially viable business case.

Successful applicants are provided with a voucher to exchange for the approved items deemed essential to commence the business or business opportunity.

Please select your business type *
A new business / corporation (not currently registered or trading)
A new business / corporation (trading less than 12 months)
An established business / corporation (trading greater than 12 months)

Physical address where your business will be located *
Address
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Address Line 1, Suburb/Town, State/Province, and Postcode are required. Country must be Australia

Has your business received or applied for any grant funding by either the Northern Territory Government or Federal Government? *
(eg; Business Growth, Digital Solutions, Aboriginal Benefits Account)

Please provide in brief detail, how your application meets the objective of the ABDP and how it will help your business and the NT economy: *

Word count:
Must be no more than 150 words.

Identifying as an Aboriginal business

Aboriginal enterprises must be at least 50% Aboriginal owned and based in the Northern Territory.

The definitions of Aboriginal are:

• Being of Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent
• Having previously and consistently in day-to-day life been known to be and/or identified as an Australian Aboriginal or a Torres Strait Islander
• Being accepted as an Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander in the community in which you live or have lived.

Aboriginal Individuals: A letter of confirmation of Aboriginal descent or certificate from your relevant (locality) incorporated Aboriginal organisation must be provided. It must be stamped with their common seal (Land Council, Community Care Centre, Arts Centre, etc.), or membership list from a relevant Aboriginal Corporation/Association/Land Trust (via ORIC).

Aboriginal Organisations: Must be incorporated under the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006 or with Australian Securities Investments Commission (ASIC) under the Corporations Act 2001.

My business meets the application criteria as an *

Confirmation of Aboriginal descent and/or Company Extract (if relevant) or Corporation Extract (ORIC) *
Attach a file:

Other Grant Funding

Has your business received or applied for any other grant funding or assistance from either the Northern Territory Government (eg; Business Growth, Trade Support Scheme,
Business Upskills, Community Benefit Fund, ABDP) or through any Federal Government programs (e.g. AusIndustry, IBA, Austrade)?

Please note: Completing the below information, will not affect this application for the Aboriginal Business Development Program.

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<th>Funding Source</th>
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Please enter the amount you received to the nearest whole dollar

Please enter the date you received or applied for the funding

Please provide a brief description of the purpose of this funding. Please note no more than 50 words.

Your business details - existing businesses

Your Business or Organisation name *
Organisation Name

Your ABN details *

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

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<th>ABN</th>
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<th>ACNC Registration</th>
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More information

Your Business Key Contact Details

Business key contact *
First Name  Last Name
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Position held *
○ Director  ○ Chairperson  ○ Partner  ○ Other:
○ Secretary  ○ Sole Trader  ○ Office Holder

Preferred phone number *

Please include the area code

Email address *

Must be an email address.

Unattested Declaration under the Oaths, Affidavits and Declarations Act

I (insert full name) *

solemnly and sincerely declare

- I have read, understood and agree to comply with the Terms and Conditions of the Aboriginal Business Development Program ("ABDP"/ "Program")
- I have read, understood and agree to the Privacy Policy.
- I understand some business/ organisation and contact information that we give to the Department as part of this application may be listed publicly and I acknowledge the disclaimer regarding how the information I provide will be stored and used;
- By completing this declaration I confirm that my business is not under external administration or in liquidation, is not insolvent and I have no reason to believe that it will become insolvent during the course of the program;
- We not currently being investigated by any law enforcement agency for fraud, NT Worksafe or Licensing NT non-compliance;
- I understand and consent to the Department conducting any due diligence in relation to my business as it sees fit, including but not limited to conducting spot audits and site inspections;
- I will advise the Department immediately if any details relating to my business/ organisation changes during the course of the Program;
- No offer of cashback or any other benefit (whether monetary or not) has been made to me, my business/ organisation or any related third party as a condition of acceptance of a quotation given to for works undertaken on the premises during the course of the Program;
- We have, and will maintain in force, all required permits, licences, insurances relevant to the conduct of the Contract(s);
- As the Eligible Recipient we are not Related to or a Relative of the entity giving the quotation;
- I understand the dispute resolution processes and agree to indemnify the Northern Territory Government against any loss or damages sustained under or in connection to works undertaken as part of Aboriginal Business Development Program;
- By applying to participate as an Eligible Recipient, I understand that my business/ organisation must comply with all laws relevant to our participation, including without
limitation to all statutory requirements for permits and approvals in relation to the Works, Goods and Services, laws relating to any relevant Premises, and the obligations on persons to report unlawful activity under the Independent Commissioner against Corruption Act (NT).

- I understand that by applying as an Eligible Recipient, my business/ organisation warrant to the Department that they have read, understood and fully accept these Terms and Conditions and fully release and indemnify the Department against any loss or damage he / she / it / they may suffer of any nature whatsoever (including without limitation personal injury or death) caused or contributed to by participation in the Program, the conduct or delivery of any Works, Goods or Services or otherwise.

- My business/ organisation as an Eligible Recipient, fully release and indemnify the Department against any loss or damage they may suffer of any nature whatsoever (including without limitation personal injury or death) caused or contributed to by participation in the Program.

- I am a principal of the business/ representative of the organisation and I am duly authorised to make this Declaration.

This declaration is true and I know that it is an offence to make a declaration that is false in any material particular *

○ (Yes)

This declaration is made at *

Location or town the declaration is made at, eg. Darwin, Alice Springs, Gapuwiyak

Name *

Title First Name Last Name

Date of birth *

Must be a date.

Position held *

e.g. Sole Trader / Director / Secretary / Chairperson / Public Officer

Date of declaration *

Must be a date.