

Want to grow your business?

Is your business accessible to all your potential customers? You could be missing out on business that is easily within your reach!

The good news is that South Gippsland Shire Council has extended the closing date for applications for its 'Building Inclusive Communities' Grant program to Friday 12 June.

Grants of up to \$500 are available for businesses or organisations located in the Shire that want to become more accessible. These are provided by Council in partnership with the Department of Health and Human Services.

Council's Rural Access Project Officer Marge Arnup can assist you to complete the application form, detailing your intended actions and project costs.

"You will need to contribute to the proposal with dollars or in-kind contributions," explained Marge. "There are several ways that the grant can be used - you might want to assess the physical or communication access to your business, do some alterations or produce information in different formats."

Priority will be given to those who are committed to improving access and inclusion of people with disability and the potential to increase the patronage of their businesses or organisations.

Application forms and the criteria can be downloaded from www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au, or be obtained from Council Reception in Smith Street, Leongatha. Call Marge on 5662 9200 to discuss your proposal prior to completing the application.

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