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Message from the Chair

RDA Riverina welcomes Budget commitment to regional Australia

Regional Development Australia Riverina welcomed the funding commitments for regional Australia announced in the Commonwealth Budget and in particular the continued support for the RDA Committees program.

RDA Riverina are excited to be able to continue the great work we do supporting industry and economic growth for our communities through the running of industry tours, grant writing workshops , Development Officer forums, supporting funding applications as well as delivering studies and economic data on the state of the Riverina to our community.

Along with the continuation of the Regional Development Australia Committee program, the Budget also provides a boost to funding for regional infrastructure and continued support to strengthening regional communities.

This includes an ongoing commitment and additional \$200 million to the Building Better Regions infrastructure fund, bringing the total funding to \$497 million.

Riverina communities have been very successful with the predecessor of the Building Better Regions fund in the past. We are pleased to be able to support another round of Building better Regions in the future.

Highlights from the budget that affect regional development include the continuation and boost to the Building Better Regions Fund and a third round of the Stronger Regional Communities program, with \$22.5 million available in 2017-18.



Regards

Diana Gibbs

RDA Riverina Chair

The Federal Budget: Changes to Business Grants, R & D and Innovation



When Treasurer Scott Morrison handed down his second Federal budget there were significant discussions around infrastructure spending and changes to welfare payments, however the impact on business grants and R&D Tax Incentive has been minimal, and that's good news.

For full details of grant changes, please read [detailed summary](#).

Or, for a simple one page list of new and extended grant programs read [short summary](#)

Introduction to Grantwriting Wagga

RDA Riverina and Murrumbidgee Landcare are pleased to present a FREE workshop - Introduction To Grantwriting which aims to provide core skills for volunteers, staff and fundraisers in writing successful grant applications for your community organisation.

DATE: Wednesday 28 June 2017

TIME: 5.30 pm – 8.30 pm

VENUE: Members Lounge, Murrumbidgee Turf Club, Slocum Street Wagga

REGISTER: Please complete the registration form attached and return to contact details below.

Maddy Gorham M: 0429 458 717 E: mgorham@mli.org.au



[Click here for more information.](#)

Bridging the Gap between Industry and Education

BRIDGING THE GAP BETWEEN INDUSTRY AND EDUCATION

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JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST

THE GRIFFITH EXIES

7:30 TO 9:00 AM, TUESDAY 23RD MAY



WE INVITE LOCAL INDUSTRY LEADERS,
EDUCATION PROVIDERS, TRAINING AND
EMPLOYMENT AGENCIES, TO COME TOGETHER
TO:

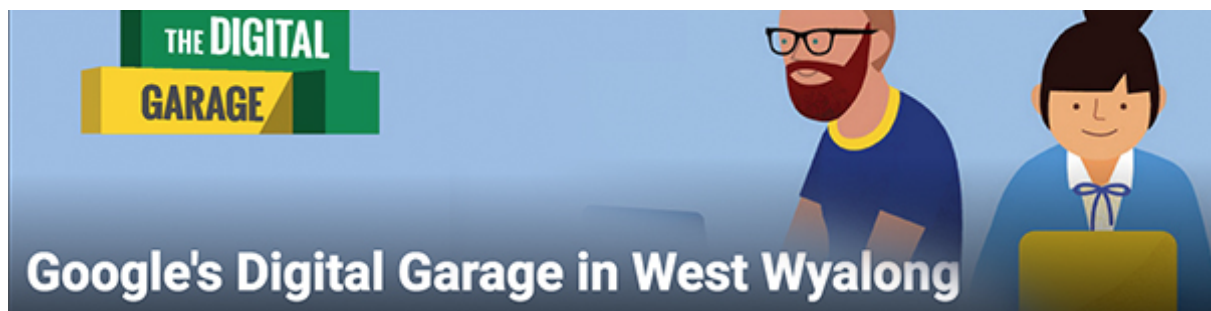
- LINK YOUTH TO LOCAL WORKFORCE OPPORTUNITIES
- RETAIN LOCAL TALENT FOR YOUR FUTURE WORKFORCE
- BUILD RELATIONSHIPS WITH BUSINESS, EDUCATION PROVIDERS AND JOBSEEKERS
- SHOWCASE CURRENT CAREER OPPORTUNITIES AND FUTURE INDUSTRY REQUIREMENTS

RSVP: 10:00am, Thursday, 18th May

To register your free ticket, go to
<http://compactinc.eventbrite.com.au>

Proudly presented by **COMPACT**

Google's digital garage in West Wyalong



The is free training will cover the practical steps you can take to help put your business on Google Maps & Search and be found online by new customers. You'll also share insights about how the growth of mobile devices is shaping consumer behaviour and what businesses need to do to respond to these changes. You'll also hear from local business owners who have successfully used the internet to grow their businesses.

Details

When: 27 June 2017 Time: 8:30am to 11:00am

Where: West Wyalong Services & Citizens Club

Includes a light breakfast.

Registration: Eventbrite

[Click here to register](#)

Clinch the Deal

Once you get the customers in the door...

Let experienced business coach and trainer Darren Wrigley show you how to retain your customers and...



Clinch the Deal

In this workshop you will discover how to:

- Make the sales process your strength
- Create a positive experience for prospects and customers
- Optimise your team's mindset and performance results
 - Keep your customers coming back
- Work with your strengths to clinch the deal
- Increase your bottom line – the ultimate business objective

Date: Monday, 29th May 6-9pm

Venue: Riverina BEC, 66-70 Coleman St, Wagga.

Cost: \$27.50 and includes a FREE 1 hour follow-up session for workshop participants.

BOOK NOW: Phone Fiona Webb, 6925 6588 for dates & times

Request for Proposal

Request for Proposal: Educating health professionals program

Hort Innovation is seeking a suitably qualified, experienced and capable delivery partner for the Australian almond industry project: Educating health professionals program (AL16007).

The aim of this project is to position Australian almonds in the mind of key health influencers as an important 'nutritional solution' that they want to share with their patients and clients. This will be done through developing and delivering research outcomes to further communicate and reinforce the message with health professionals that almonds are a healthy snack due to their nutritional profile.

The RFP may be downloaded from www.tenders.net
(you will need to be a member of tenders.net to access this information).

The closing date for responses is 5.00pm (AEDT), Friday, May 26,

Riverina Bluebell Presents: Let's Talk with Nic Newling



Nic Newling is an outspoken advocate for mental health, suicide prevention, and sharing personal stories. Having lived through the experience of suffering with a mood disorder throughout high school and losing his brother to suicide, he has since dedicated himself to changing the way mental illness is addressed in schools, workplaces, and communities. Come along to be a part of helpful conversations around mental health, suicide prevention, and getting the most out of life.

Leeton, Griffith, Coleambally, Wagga, Deniliquin, Finley

[**Click here for more information**](#)

New Enterprise Incentive Scheme (NEIS)

This program aims to provide job seekers with accredited small business training, business mentoring, and income support to help them turn a business idea into a viable business and help them to become a self-employed business owner. NEIS is part of jobactive and delivered by a network of 21 providers who provide individualised help for job seekers.

[Click here for more information](#)

Climate-ready Revegetation

Climate-ready revegetation

A guide for natural resource managers

Seminar

Climate-ready revegetation. A guide for natural resource managers

This Guide provides step by step instructions on how to consider the sustainability of local plant species and populations under future climate and is available in hard copy, online http://www.anpc.asn.au/resources/climate_ready_revegetation and a downloadable pdf version is available from the website.

Date: Monday 29th May

Venue: J Block Primary Industries Centre Coolamon Road Wagga **Time:** 1.30 – 2.30 pm
followed by afternoon tea

Presenter: Nola Hancock, Macquarie University

Register: via Eventbrite by 22nd May

[Click here to register](#)

STEM Learning Into Action

Grants are available to help Australian school students put their science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) learning into action, through the Makers Projects program funding STEM-related events and activities.

\$800,000 (\$200,000 per year) is available from 2016-17 to 2019-20 to deliver STEM and innovation related events and education activities in partnership with industry for youth under 18 years of age. The minimum grant is \$5,000 and the maximum grant is \$20,000 per eligible organisation.

Applications for Stream B are now open for incorporated not for profit organisations and Publicly Funded Research Organisations, delivered in partnership with industry for youth under 18 years of age.

For applications and more information visit the Australian Government Business website or call 13 28 46.

Applications for Stream B are Ongoing

Youth Jobs PaTH Prepare Trial Hire



Australian Government



Youth Jobs PaTH helps employers find and recruit the right young person for their business. Through Youth Jobs PaTH, you can trial a young person in your workplace. And you could receive a wage subsidy of up to \$10,000 if you hire them.

[Click here for more information](#)

Create Riverina



Keep updated with the latest Arts, Screen and Culture activities in the Riverina!

Eastern Riverina Arts - <http://easternriverinaarts.org.au/>

Western Riverina Arts - <http://www.westrivarts.com.au>

South West Arts - <http://www.southwestarts.com.au>

The CAD Factory - www.cadfactory.com.au

WiredLab - <http://wiredlab.org/>

Griffith Regional Theatre <http://www.griffithregionaltheatre.com.au>

Griffith Regional Art Gallery <http://www.griffithregionalartgallery.com.au>

Arts Centre Cootamundra - <https://www.theartscentrecootamundra.org.au/>

Wagga Wagga Civic Theatre - <http://www.wagga.nsw.gov.au/civic-theatre>

Wagga Wagga Art Gallery - <http://www.wagga.nsw.gov.au/art-gallery>

Grants Calendar

ARTS

Career Development Grants for Individuals

Australia Council of Arts | \$5,000 - \$25,000 | Closes 6th June 2017

ARTS - SCHOLARSHIP

Young Regional Artist Scholarship

Create NSW | \$10,000 | Closes 19th June 2017

ARTS

Arts Projects for Individuals and Groups

Australia Council of Arts | \$10,000 - \$50,000 | Closes 6th June & 3rd October 2017

ARTS

Arts Projects - Organisations

Australia Council of Arts | \$10,000 - \$100,000 | Closes 6th June & 3rd October 2017

ARTS TOURING

Contemporary Music Touring Program

Australia Council of Arts | \$15,000 | Closes 3rd October 2017

ARTS TOURING

Regional Arts Touring

Create NSW | \$150,000 | Closes 13th June 2017

BUSINESS

Business Connect

NSW Dept Industry | Service & Subsidy | Closes 30th June 2020

BUSINESS

Bin Trim Rebates Program

NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) | \$1,000 - \$50,000 | Closes June 2017

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CITY OF WAGGA

Economic Development Grants Program 2016 - 2017

City of Wagga | \$3,000 | Closes 30th June 2017

ENERGY EFFICIENCY

40-50% Discount on Fridge or TV

NSW Office of Environment and Heritage | Closes 30th June 2017

FARMING

NSW Sustaining the Basin: Irrigated Farm Modernisation Rd 9

NSW Dept Primary Industries | Closes 30th June 2017

RURAL WORKPLACE

Quad Bike Rural Safety Program

Safework | \$500 | Closes 30th June 2017

SMALL BUSINESS

Jobs Action Plan Rebate Scheme - Payroll Tax

NSW Office of State Revenue | \$6,000 | Closes 19th June 2019

TECHONOLGY - URBAN SOLUTIONS

Smart Cities and Suburbs Program

AusIndustry | \$100,000 - \$5m | Closes 30th June 2017

WOMEN

Investing in Women Funding Program

Women NSW | \$25,000 | Closes 24th May 2017

CLICK HERE FOR A LIST OF ONGOING GRANTS

**The following websites have information about many grant
and funding opportunities**

- Community builders: www.communitybuilders.nsw.gov.au
- Foundation for Rural & Regional Renewal: www.frrr.org.au
- Regional Arts NSW: <http://regionalartsnsw.com.au/grants>
- Business: <https://www.business.gov.au/>
- Our Community: <http://www.ourcommunity.com.au>
- Philanthropy: <http://www.philanthropy.org.au>

For further assistance in locating grants for your projects

Email: po@rdariverina.org.au

You can also Like us on Facebook to get regular updates

Further information on grants and grantwriting www.rdariverina.org.au

Calendar Dates



18 May - Industry Tour Batlow/Tumbarumba

25 May - RDA Riverina Committee Meeting

8 June - Finance and BioEnergy Industry
Workshop Griffith

14 – 16 June - Regional Events Conference
Wagga

24 August - RDA Riverina Committee Meeting

23 November - RDA Riverina Committee
Meeting

What's on in the Riverina Region?

- [Bland Shire](#)
- [Carrathool Shire](#)
- [Coolamon Shire](#)
- [Cootamundra Gundagai Regional Council](#)
- [Griffith City Council](#)
- [Hay Shire Council](#)

- [Junee Shire Council](#)
- [Leeton Shire Council](#)
- [Lockhart Shire Council](#)
- [Murrumbidgee Shire Council](#)
- [Narrandera Shire Council](#)
- [Temora Shire Council](#)
- [Snowy Valleys Council](#)



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Website

"RDA Riverina builds partnerships that facilitate the development of a sustainable region."

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