$10,000 small business bushfire support grant

These grants assist with the costs of maintaining businesses, including covering salaries, rent and utilities. The grants are for small businesses and primary producers in the shires of Towong, East Gippsland, Alpine, Mansfield, Indigo, Wellington and Wangaratta who have experienced a significant income loss as a result of the 2019/20 Victorian Bushfires. You may also be assessed under exceptional circumstances if you don’t meet specific eligibility criteria.

- This grant is available if you were directly or indirectly affected by bushfire.
- You are not required to upload financial documents if you don’t have them right now.
- The online application process is short and simple - it takes just a few minutes.
- You may apply if you have received other grants.

To apply, visit ruralfinance.com.au or visit brv.vic.gov.au for a direct link to the online application page. You can also call Bushfire Recovery Victoria at 1800 560 760.

$75,000 farm recovery grant
Available to eligible directly affected primary producers for costs of rebuilding. To apply, visit ruralfinance.com.au.

$50,000 business recovery grant

$500,000 concessional loan
Available to eligible directly affected small businesses and primary producers. To apply, visit ruralfinance.com.au.

COVID-19 business support
To see information on business support, advice and information to help your business deal with COVID-19, visit business.vic.gov.au/coronavirus.

Other relief and support available
Payroll tax and stamp duty relief, water rate waivers and discounts, household allowances and other measures are also available. To find out more, please visit business.vic.gov.au/bushfire-recovery or brv.vic.gov.au.

Business recovery advisers: These local business experts operate in your region and have strong local knowledge. To register for a free appointment, phone Business Victoria on 13 22 15.

Rural Financial Counselling Service: This service can provide farm and small businesses with grant application support. Call 1300 834 775 in North East Vic and 1300 045 747 in East Gippsland.

This list is just a brief summary. More support is available for you and your business. Please visit brv.vic.gov.au or call us at 1800 560 760 so we can connect you to the support you need.
Was your business indirectly affected by the bushfires? (e.g. lost income)

- No
- Yes

Visit brv.vic.gov.au for info and how to apply

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Was your business directly affected by the bushfires? (e.g. flame damage)

- No
- Yes

Primary Producers

- $75,000 farm recovery grant

Small Businesses

- $50,000 business recovery grant

- $500,000 concessional loan

NOTE: This flowchart is a guide to just some of the support available. Specific eligibility criteria apply to all. You can apply for all grants you are eligible for. For more info on these and other grants, visit brv.vic.gov.au.

A range of financial support options are available. If you’re struggling financially because of the bushfires, we encourage you to call us at 1800 560 760 so we can talk through your situation, discuss what options are available for you and refer you to our dedicated Victorian Bushfires Case Support Program if needed. Those options may include:

**Emergency Re-establishment Payment:** This is available if your home is uninhabitable for more than seven days because of an emergency, with payments of up to $42,250 per eligible household experiencing financial hardship, who have been affected by fire at their primary place of residence.

To find out more about this payment, call Bushfire Recovery Victoria on 1800 560 760. Please note the separate Emergency Relief Assistance Payments are now closed.

**Disaster recovery payment and allowance:** The Australian Government’s Disaster Recovery Payment of $1000 per adult and $400 per child is for people who have been directly affected by the bushfires. The Disaster Recovery Allowance includes up to 13 weeks income support for those who have lost income as a direct result of the bushfires.

For more information about these payments, including eligibility criteria, visit brv.vic.gov.au.

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