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SMALL BUSINESS SAFETY REMAINS A PRIORITY IN NSW BUDGET

The NSW Government has committed \$1.8 million to continue the successful small business rebate program that supports business to purchase and install safety equipment.

Minister for Better Regulation, Kevin Anderson said the \$500 rebate can be used towards a wide variety of items and equipment to make workplaces healthier and safer.

“We’ve made sure this program benefits every type of small business, whether you need hygiene items, signage, trolleys or ladders, we’ve got you covered.”

Since the program was introduced in 2012, 5,460 small businesses have received a safety rebate.

“It’s been great to see a huge uptake of these rebates, which is why we’ve decided to continue the program.

This year the NSW Government has passed new reforms to strengthen workplace health and safety legislation in the state.

“NSW is proud to be leading the way with the strongest work health and safety legislation in the country. These rebates help ensure safety isn’t cost prohibitive for small business and help them implement the right safety measures to prioritise the safety of their workers,” Mr Anderson said.

“I strongly encourage every small business in NSW to jump online and take advantage of these rebates.”

Minister for Small Business, Damien Tudehope, said the rebate program will help small businesses continue to prioritise safety even with the stressors of the pandemic.

“It’s not been an easy year for our businesses, especially for start-ups and smaller scale companies. This program is a way for us to ensure safety doesn’t take a back seat,” Mr Tudehope said.

Any sole trader or small business owner that has completed a free eligible safety event or webinar with SafeWork NSW is eligible to apply for the rebate program.

For more information and to apply, visit <https://www.safework.nsw.gov.au/advice-and-resources/rebate-programs/small-business-rebates>

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