

As we embark on the road to recovery from COVID-19 Does your business need staff training and upskilling?

The SUPPLIER SKILLS PROGRAMME CAN HELP

Grants available of £500 - £18,000

for Small to Medium sized Enterprises (SMEs) to upskill new and existing employees

The £12m Supplier Skills Programme is part-funded by the European Social Fund (ESF) and managed by Birmingham City Council and offers SMEs the opportunity to access grant funding to develop and upskill their workforce

This programme is available to SMEs which are:

- ❖ based within, or locating to, the “More Developed” areas of The Greater Birmingham and Solihull Local Enterprise Partnership (GBSLEP), namely
 - Birmingham
 - Solihull
 - Redditch
 - Wyre Forest
 - Bromsgrove
- ❖ Operating within the priority growth sectors within the GBSLEP “More Developed” areas as outlined in the eligibility criteria
- ❖ Able to match fund the training costs (50% of training costs will be match funded by the SME and the remaining 50% by ESF) - *Note: Match funding cannot be sources from public funds*

All training must be accredited by the Ofqual Framework or recognised by industry and professional accrediting bodies. The grant will enable employees to achieve any of the following: -

- Full qualifications level 1-7, or equivalent
- Units or a unit of qualification at basic level

Further details of this programme, including full eligibility criteria will be available shortly on

www.birmingham.gov.uk/ssp

but in the meantime, if you would like to register your interest, please email:

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