



# Department of Rehabilitation: Helping Businesses through \$20,000 to \$200,000 State Business Grant and Adult Work Experience

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On Thursday 10/27/22 from 2:00-3:00 the Department of Rehabilitation will be holding a virtual informational meeting for Northern California businesses to learn about two programs created to allow them to increase hiring and grow their business.

## Find Workers with Adult Work Experience

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Adult Work Experience (AWEX) allows businesses, non-profits, and Government Agencies to bring on and train a worker for up to 300 hours, during this time all costs, wages, workers compensation, and insurance, will be covered as will the employer of record expenses. You, as a worksite, receive 300 hours of labor for no cost, additionally, there is no requirement that the business offer permanent employment to the worker at the end of the 300-hour period.

## Demand Side Employment Initiative (DSEI) Grant

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The Department of Rehabilitation has earmarked \$5 million for the EmployABILITY Business Grant. This funding is for CA small and medium sized businesses to expand their organization and increase disability inclusive hiring. \$20k to \$200k is available per business.

The Department of Rehabilitation's EmployABILITY Business Grant is incentivizing and enabling small and medium sized businesses across California to create job opportunities and work experiences in exchange for direct funding ranging from \$20k to \$200k per business.

## For More Information

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If you are interested in learning more but are unable to attend please reach out to your local DOR office or you can contact Cory Lemings ([Cory.Lemings@dor.ca.gov](mailto:Cory.Lemings@dor.ca.gov)) and Robin Arvizo ([Robin.Arviso@dor.ca.gov](mailto:Robin.Arviso@dor.ca.gov)) to schedule a one-on-one meeting to learn more.

[Click HERE to Join the Meeting on 10/27/22 from 2PM to 3PM.](#)