



## **CYBER SECURITY Training & Mentoring Project – offering FREE advice to small and medium businesses across Australia**

It is Cyber Security Awareness Month, and all businesses are being urged to act now and protect themselves and their business from cyber threats and cybercrime.

The purpose of the project is to offer not only live or real-time assistance, but also materials that can be accessed at a time that is convenient for the business owner, making access available for a broader range of industry businesses.

Delivered by the Belmont Business Enterprise Centre Inc. (BBEC), partnering with the Textile Clothing Footwear Resource Centre of WA Inc. (TCF Australia), Australian Federation Business & Professional Women WA Division (BPW) and Fortix, business owners will have FREE access to advice and cyber training as part of this 12 month national **CYBER SECURITY Training & Mentoring Project**.

Carol Hanlon (CEO of BBEC) said, “Time poor, small business owners and management who are wearing many hats throughout the day can benefit from free access to cybersecurity support, provided across a range of delivery methods. Formats include face/face, online, webinars, workshops, forums, mentoring, helpline, case studies, Q&As online and experts sharing tips in an eBook that can be shared with participants and circulated widely.”

With primary source of expert information, the **Australian Cyber Security Centre, MY Business Incubator® CYBER SECURITY Training & Mentoring Project** will provide increased access to reliable cyber security advice to over 1,250 participants across Australia including sole traders, micro, small and medium businesses across Australia.

“Unfortunately, it is common that small businesses and management do not have access to cyber security expertise until they have a specific problem and often seek solutions to problems reactively, a situation which can be both disruptive and expensive”, Ms Hanlon said.

To help tackle this challenge, **MY Business Incubator™ CYBER SECURITY Training & Mentoring Project** will provide access to:

- **HELPLINE:** assisting 200 micro and SMEs (M/SME), delivered nationally, online, by phone, face-to-face and email.
- **MENTORING:** assisting 400 M/SME. Delivered nationally through online, phone, face-to-face and by email. Mentors allocated according to cyber security issues of participant business.
- **FORUMS:** ‘Ask an Expert’ Q&A sessions covering 10 cyber security topics. Assisting 200 M/SMEs, delivered nationally face-to-face.
- **FORUMS ONLINE:** Case Studies & Q&A sessions on cyber security delivered nationally on-line.
- **WEBINARS ONLINE:** Live or on-demand covering 10 cyber security topics assisting 150 M/SME businesses, delivered nationally LIVE or on-demand.
- **WORKSHOPS:** assisting 100 M/SME businesses delivered face-to-face nationally by cyber security and IT practitioners.
- **eBOOK:** *1001 Business Tips from 101 Cyber-security IT Experts* provides ease of access to information about cyber security and IT practitioners sharing their experience and provide easy to understand instructions and tips to keep out and overcome security breaches, scams, and other challenges.



- **DIGITAL BUSINESS PORTAL:** participants gain access to a small business portal of specialist cyber security resources and support for micro/small business.

Any businesses who would like to register and get involved in the free expert specialist services available through **MY Business Incubator™ CYBER SECURITY Training & Mentoring Project** can register at [www.mybusinessincubator.com.au](http://www.mybusinessincubator.com.au)

For more information, contact [cyber@belmontbec.com](mailto:cyber@belmontbec.com) or [www.belmontbec.com](http://www.belmontbec.com)

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