

START-UP GRANT

? WHAT IS A START-UP GRANT?

- A start-up grant helps you cover your living costs when starting a business. It is a discretionary financial support.
- You can get a grant if you are starting a new business or transitioning from part-time to full-time entrepreneurship.
- The grant is available for up to 12 months. The first grant period covers six months.
- The grant amount is the same as Kela's basic unemployment allowance. It is paid for up to 5 days per week and received once a month.

O YOU HAVE A BUSINESS IDEA?

- You can get personal advice for planning your business from the <u>Yrittäjyysbuusti Service</u>.
- Prepare your business plan and financial calculations using
 - o Job Market Finland business plan tool
 - o BusinessPilot's (Yritystulkki) Business Plan Guide.

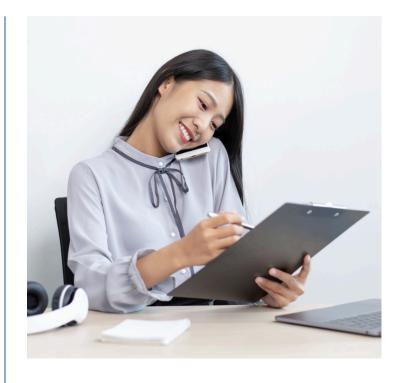
HOW TO APPLY FOR A START- UP GRANT

- Submit your application online through <u>Job Market Finland's E-services</u> for personal customers.
- Apply about two weeks before starting or expanding your business.
- You can check your application status online. You will be contacted during the process.

WHAT DOCUMENTS DO YOU NEED?

Attach these documents to your application:

- Business plan with financial calculations
- Funding statement (if needed)
- Tax certificate of paid taxes (download from MyTax)
- Payment plan for upaid debts or tax liabilities (if needed).



WHO CAN GET THE START-UP GRANT?

You can receive the grant if:

- Your business is full-time and continuous.
- You have the skills needed for entrepreneurship.
- Your business has profit potential.
- The grant is necessary for covering your living costs.
- Your business is located in Finland.

WHO CANNOT GET THE START-UP GRANT?

You may not receive the start-up grant if:

- You started full-time entrepreneurship before applying.
- Your business already gives you enough income.
- You have unpaid tax debts or private debts without a payment plan.

DO YOU NEED HELP?

- Call Enterprise Finland at 029 502 0500 for support.
- Leave a contact request in the <u>E-services at Job Market Finland</u>.
- Contact us via email at yrittajyys@tampere.fi.