



## Six firms win Southern Business Development Grants in last round

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The final round of the Southern Business Development Grant program has divided \$1.35 million between six companies in the engineering, mining exploration equipment and cosmetics industries and will likely create 56 full-time jobs.

SA Small Business Minister, Tom Koutsantonis says the successful recipients of Round 8 funding are:

Kym Freebairn Construction Pty Ltd, Lonsdale (\$500,000) – to allow for the pressing and fabrication of heavy plate, currently only available interstate.

Jadro Industries Pty Ltd, Lonsdale (\$300,000) – to facilitate improvements in the manufacture and packaging of personal care and health products.

Alfon Engineering Pty Ltd, Lonsdale (\$202,449) – to improve capability and competitiveness of supply to the mining and defence sectors.

Fravin Pty Ltd, Melrose Park (\$175,000) – to continue to invest in product development in the hair cosmetics industry.

Zonge Engineering Australia, Edwardstown (\$101,885) – to purchase geophysical survey equipment for the mining exploration industry.

Playquip Pty Ltd, Edwardstown (\$75,504) – to enhance skills in the use of machines, to bring manufacturing processes in house and reduce reliance on external suppliers.

Administered by Innovate SA and the Southern Business Enterprise Centres on behalf of the Department of Trade and Economic Development, the grant program has provided \$5m to companies in Adelaide's southern suburbs from 2008-09 to 2010-11.