

LOST YOUR JOB OR HOURS AS A RESULT OF COVID-19?

RESOURCES AVAILABLE FOR YOU

<p>Income Support for Individuals</p>	<p>Over the next six months, the Government is temporarily expanding eligibility to income support payments and establishing a new, time-limited Coronavirus supplement to be paid at a rate of \$550 per fortnight. This will be paid to both existing and new recipients of JobSeeker Payment, Youth Allowance Jobseeker, Parenting Payment, Farm Household Allowance and Special Benefit.</p> <p>To note:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Australians applying for Centrelink can now get support if their partner earns up to \$79,762, Scott Morrison announced on Monday. The PM said the government has boosted the threshold from about \$48,000, which would allow more Australians to receive support during the coronavirus pandemic. The change means an applicant's rate of welfare won't be affected unless their partner earns more than \$79,762 a year. • The Government will continue the suspension of mutual obligation until 27 April 2020 to support job seekers through this difficult period. 	<p>Fact Sheet available at: https://treasury.gov.au/sites/default/files/2020-03/Fact_sheet-Income_Support_for_Individuals_0.pdf</p>
<p>JobKeeper Payment</p>	<p>The JobKeeper payment helps businesses significantly impacted by the Coronavirus cover the costs of their employees' wages, so more Australians can retain their jobs and continue to earn an income. Your employer will notify you if they intend to claim the fortnightly payment of \$1,500 on your behalf.</p>	<p>Fact Sheet available at: https://treasury.gov.au/sites/default/files/2020-03/Fact_sheet_Info_for_Employees_1.pdf</p>
<p>Payments to Support Households</p>	<p>The Government is providing two separate \$750 payments to social security, veteran and other income support recipients and eligible concession card holders. The first payment will be made from 31 March 2020 and the second payment will be made from 13 July 2020. Around half of those that benefit are pensioners. This payment will help to support confidence and domestic demand in the economy. The second payment will not be made to those eligible for the Coronavirus supplement.</p>	<p>Fact sheet available at: https://treasury.gov.au/sites/default/files/2020-03/Fact_sheet-Payments_to_support_households.pdf</p>
<p>Information on Other Support for Individuals and Business</p>	<p>The above information provides a snapshot of some of the initiatives available for job seekers. For information on additional support for individuals and business, and to keep up-to-date on new announcements please visit the Australian and State Government websites provided.</p>	<p>For information, advice and stimulus information from the Australian Government visit: www.australia.gov.au</p> <p>For information, advice and stimulus information from the South Australian Government visit: www.sa.gov.au/covid-19</p>

What's Next?	What's Next? Helps you decide what to do if you have been retrenched or are looking for a new career. There is help for finding a job, getting some training and looking after yourself.	https://whatsnext.employment.gov.au/
Job Outlook	Job Outlook makes it easy to find and understand career information. Use the career profiles on Job Outlook to learn about the future outlook, pay, main tasks, and physical and other demands of careers that interest you. Find out about the skills, knowledge and abilities you may need to get and keep a job. When you are ready to take action, follow links to job vacancies and related courses. Career Quiz and Skills Match tools also available.	https://joboutlook.gov.au/
jobactive	jobactive helps people find work and better meet the needs of employers. jobactive providers have the flexibility to tailor their services to your assessed needs. They can help you with finding a job, help to start a business, relevant training and support, identifying your skills and attributes, writing job applications, interview tips and techniques.	www.jobactive.gov.au
Services Australia/ Centrelink	Services Australia (previously Centrelink) can assist you with financial information about income support options, effect of redundancy payment on receiving income support, waiting periods (depending on the amount of money you have to support yourself), adjusting your Family Tax Benefit estimate or adjusting Child Support information, Youth Allowance entitlements for dependent children.	www.servicesaustralia.gov.au https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/individuals/subjects/affected-coronavirus-covid-19 Call 13 28 50
Skills Checkpoint	Skills Checkpoint for Older Workers is an Australian Government-funded initiative to enable older Australian workers and recently unemployed older Australians to remain in or re-enter the workforce. It provides personalised advice and guidance on upskilling for a current job, transitioning into new roles within a current industry or pathways to new careers. Eligible participants may also be eligible to access \$2,200 (GST inclusive) to fund re-skilling or up-skilling opportunities Either the participant or their current employer must provide a co-contribution to match the government contribution.	https://www.busyatwork.com.au/skills-checkpoint-program/
Financial information Service	A free service that can inform and educate you about financial matters.	https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/individuals/services/financial-information-service
MoneySmart	MoneySmart is a government website with tips and tools to help make the most of your finances, including a DIY budget toolkit, how to manage your money, or deal with credit or debt.	http://www.moneysmart.gov.au/

Beyond Blue	Provides a free support service and information resources on depression and anxiety for all age groups.	http://www.beyondblue.org.au/ Call 1300 22 46 36
Lifeline	Lifeline provides online, phone and face-to-face crisis support.	http://www.lifeline.org.au/ Call 13 11 14
Employment Facilitator	Employment Facilitators are an on-the-ground presence that work with retrenched workers and other job seekers in specific regions to connect them with training, job opportunities and to link them with other existing support. Employment Facilitators are engaged to facilitate government initiatives and a useful resource of information for employers, organisations and individuals.	Yorke and Mid North Employment Facilitator Lisa Brock 0428 112 896 lisa@ymnemploymentfacilitator.com.au