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Funding helps Calamvale small business embrace digital technology

A Calamvale small business is receiving a digital boost from the Palaszczuk Government's Small Business Digital Grants Program.

Member for Stretton, Duncan Pegg MP said that Front Porch Properties would receive \$4,919 to improve their digital technology and develop an integrated online reservation and booking system.

"Our local small businesses are hard workers and this is a great program that supports them as they expand their digital technology," he said.

"The Palaszczuk Government is providing up to \$10,000 per business, which will be matched dollar for dollar by the successful applicant, to purchase digital hardware, software or training and skills development," Mr Pegg said.

"These grants will assist small business to access the latest digital technologies to increase their productivity and competitiveness, which will help their business to grow and employ more staff.

"They will also enable small businesses to expand their market reach through a greater online presence."

Acting Minister for Small Business Kate Jones said the grants would assist 155 Queensland small businesses to access the latest digital technologies as part of the government's commitment to supporting small business.

"We received more than 1200 applications, which is a huge response and this demonstrates that Queensland small businesses across the state are ready and eager to adopt digital technology," she said.

Minister Jones said the Palaszczuk Government was committed to creating the right environment for small business to start, grow and employ by offering programs such as the Small Business Digital Grants.

"Queensland small businesses employ almost half of the state's private sector workforce, so this program is an investment in a sector that creates jobs.

The Queensland Government has committed \$6 million over three years to this program. The next round of funding opens on Wednesday 8 March 2017.

More information on the Small Business Digital Grants program can be found at:
www.business.qld.gov.au/digital.

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