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START-UP GRANT

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STARTTIRAHA

The objective of the start-up grant is to promote growth by supporting entrepreneurship and improving employment. The start-up grant is a discretionary subsidy awarded by the employment area. It aims to facilitate the entrepreneur's livelihood during the period required to establish and stabilize the business, for a maximum of 12 months.

Eligibility Criteria

To qualify for the start-up grant, the applicant must meet the following conditions:

- The applicant has or acquires sufficient skills for the intended business activity.
- The business must be a full-time activity.
- The business is expected to have sustainable profitability.
- The employment area may impose additional conditions in the grant decision.

Disqualifications

The start-up grant cannot be awarded if:

- The business is expected to provide a reasonable livelihood without the grant.
- The grant would significantly distort competition among businesses offering the same products or services.
- Business operations have been started before the application has been submitted, unless it concerns expanding previously part-time activities into full-time operations. Contact your local employment region before establishing a business.
- The applicant has tax debts or payment defaults.

Payment Restrictions

The grant will not be paid if the recipient receives:

- Salary or compensation from unrelated work (e.g., vacation pay, severance pay, employer-provided financial benefits).
- Other public subsidies for personal salary costs.
- Any other income or benefits that secure the applicant's livelihood, such as:
 - Unemployment benefits, sick leave compensation, pensions, caregiver's allowance.
 - Student allowance, maternity/paternity/parental benefits.
 - Employer-provided supplementary pension.
 - Compensation for loss of earnings under criminal injury laws.

How to Apply

The application is submitted in two phases:

1. Apply online via www.tyomarkkinatori.fi (strong authentication required).
2. Submit the application to the employment area where you are a client.
3. Additional documents must be sent separately, including:
 - Tax debt certificate (available at www.vero.fi).
 - Business plan and profitability calculations.
 - Loan commitment, if external funding is required to start the business.

Discuss required attachments with the employment area in advance.

Grant Amount and Duration

- Phase I: Maximum 6 months, €37.21 per day (approx. €800/month).
- Phase II: Maximum 6 months, €37.21 per day (approx. €800/month).
- Paid 5 days per week.
- Monthly payments in arrears against reporting.
- Apply online at www.tyomarkkinatori.fi.
- Tax withholding based on the applicant's tax card.

Before You Apply for the Start-Up Grant

1. Do not register your business yet.
2. Allow enough time (1-2 months) for the application process.
3. Contact the employment area to discuss whether you qualify for the grant.
4. Schedule a business establishment consultation at Uusyrityskeskus Neuvoa-Antava (www.neuvoa-antava.fi or phone: +358 40 6565 283) or at your local business development agency/municipal economic services.
5. Prepare a business plan and profitability calculations. The recommended template is Lissu Business Plan (available at www.neuvoa-antava.fi).
6. Submit your start-up grant application electronically (see instructions above).
7. Update your contact, work history, and education details before submitting the application.