



Government of **Western Australia**
Department of **Training**
and **Workforce Development**



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Control



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Courses



Half price
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Skill
Sets



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Skilling solutions for economic recovery

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State Recovery training initiatives

- Review of Skills, Training and Workforce Development
- \$57 million Skills Ready package
- \$167 million TAFE infrastructure Package
- Defence workforce initiatives
- Commonwealth JobTrainer Fund National Partnership Agreement: up to \$51 million for WA



Free short courses (skill sets)

- “COVID Critical” skill sets target business needs (\$9 million)
 - Free to all including existing workers
 - ❖ Infection control training (cross sector, retail, food, transport and logistics)
 - ❖ COVID-19 direct care (WA)
 - ❖ Entry to aged and disability care, including infection control training (Cw)
- “Recovery” skill sets target jobseekers (\$25 million)
 - Free to eligible cohorts: youth and jobseekers
 - Nationally recognised units, credit towards full qualifications
 - ❖ Provide individual support
 - ❖ Work in community care
 - ❖ Job Ready Basics



More affordable qualifications

- *Lower Fees, Local Skills* initiative expanded
- Student fees reduced between 50% and 72%
- Fees for youth and concession-eligible students capped at \$400 for year, \$1200 for non-concession students
- 180 courses covering priority areas including:
 - Social assistance and allied health, agriculture, defence (engineering trades), construction, civil construction, hospitality, cybersecurity, business, project management
- Full list available www.jobsandskills.wa.gov.au



Supporting apprentices and trainees

- Out of contract register to help connect apprentices and trainees to new employers
- Free training for displaced apprentices and trainees to enable them to continue off-the-job training for 6 months while looking for a new employer (\$1.9 million)
- Re-engagement incentive for employers: \$6000 for apprentice, \$3000 for trainee (\$4.9 million)
- More details can be found at www.jobsandskills.wa.gov.au



What DTWD/TAFE can do to help

- Advise on funding options for training delivery
- Advise on employer incentive payments available
- Assist to identify RTOs and GTOs
- TAFE Jobs and Skills Centres can assist with attraction and recruitment of jobseekers
- Collaborate with Commonwealth DESE
- Work with industry stakeholders to identify training requirements
 - existing or new skill sets/qualifications/apprenticeships/traineeships

