

Government Funding Schemes

Funds / Schemes	Objectives	Target recipients	Contact
Financing and Guarantee			
SME Loan Guarantee Scheme	Help SMEs secure loans from participating lending institutions for acquiring business installations and equipment or meeting working capital needs of general business uses	SMEs (except lending institutions and their associates)	Trade and Industry Department Tel: 2398 5129 Email: sgs_enquiry@tid.gov.hk Website: https://www.smefund.tid.gov.hk/sgs/eng
Microfinance Scheme	Assist people who wish to start their own businesses, become self-employed or achieve self-enhancement through training, upgrading of skills or obtaining professional certification	Individuals aged 18 or above and holder of Hong Kong Identity Card	Hong Kong Mortgage Corporation Tel: 2536 0707 Email: mf_enquiry@hkmc.com.hk Website: http://www.hkmc.com.hk
SME Financing Guarantee Scheme	Help SMEs and non-listed enterprises obtain financing from participating lenders for meeting working capital and business needs	Enterprises registered in Hong Kong (except listed companies, lending institutions and affiliates of lending institutions)	Hong Kong Mortgage Corporation Tel: 2536 0392 Email: sfgs_enquiry@hkmc.com.hk Website: http://www.hkmc.com.hk
Marketing Development/Business Upgrading			
SME Export Marketing Fund	Encourage SMEs to expand markets outside Hong Kong by participating in export promotion activities	SMEs	Trade and Industry Department Tel: 2398 5127 Email: emf_enquiry@tid.gov.hk Website: https://www.smefund.tid.gov.hk/emf/eng
BUD (ESP)#	Assist Hong Kong enterprises in undertaking projects to develop brands, upgrade and restructure their business operations and promote sales in the Mainland market	Non-listed local enterprises	Hong Kong Productivity Council Tel: 3403 6252 Email: bud_sec@hkpc.org Website: https://www.bud.hkpc.org/
Technology Voucher Programme	Support projects in the form of technological services and solutions to improve productivity, or upgrade or transform the business processes of enterprises	Non-listed local enterprises	Innovation and Technology Commission Tel: 3523 1170 Email: tvp-enquiry@itc.gov.hk Website: https://tvp.itf.gov.hk
Retail Technology Adoption Assistance Scheme for Manpower Demand Management	Provide funding support for retail enterprises to adopt technologies for manpower demand management purposes and help enhance productivity	Non-listed enterprises with substantive retail business operations in Hong Kong	Hong Kong Productivity Council Tel: 2788 6262 Email: retaas_sec@hkpc.org Website: http://www.retaas.hkpc.org
Innovation and Technology Fund: General Support Programme	Cater for non- research and development projects that contribute to the upgrading and development of industries in Hong Kong as well as fostering an innovation and technology culture in Hong Kong	Local unincorporated or incorporated company under the Companies Ordinance	Innovation and Technology Commission Tel: 3655 5725 Email: enquiry@itc.gov.hk Website: http://www.itf.gov.hk/l-eng/GSP.asp
Research and Development			
The Patent Application Grant	Assist local companies and individuals to apply for patents of their own inventions to capitalise their intellectual work	Locally incorporated companies and Hong Kong permanent residents	Innovation and Technology Commission Tel: 3655 5746 Email: enquiry@itc.gov.hk Website: http://www.itc.gov.hk/en/funding/pag.htm
Innovation and Technology Fund: University-Industry Collaboration Programme	Stimulate private sector interest in R&D through leveraging the knowledge and resources of universities	Enterprises incorporated or registered in Hong Kong and local universities	Innovation and Technology Commission Tel: 3655 5725 Email: enquiry@itf.gov.hk Website: http://www.itf.gov.hk/l-eng/UICP.asp
Innovation and Technology Fund: Enterprise Support Scheme	Encourage the private sector to invest in research and development	Enterprises incorporated or registered in Hong Kong	Innovation and Technology Commission Tel: 3655 5847 Email: ess@itc.gov.hk Website: http://www.itf.gov.hk/l-eng/ESS.asp
Innovation and Technology Fund: Research and Development Cash Rebate Scheme	Reinforce the research culture among private companies and encourage them to establish stronger partnership with designated local public research institutions	Enterprises registered in Hong Kong	Innovation and Technology Commission Tel: 3655 5725 Email: crs-enquiry@itc.gov.hk Website: http://www.itf.gov.hk/l-eng/crs.asp

Creative Industry			
Film Development Fund	Support projects and activities contributing towards the development of the Hong Kong film industry	Film production companies formed and registered in Hong Kong	Hong Kong Film Development Council Tel: 2788 5658 Email: info@fdc.gov.hk Website: http://www.fdc.gov.hk
Environmental Protection			
Cleaner Production Partnership Programme	Encourage and facilitate Hong Kong-owned factories in Hong Kong/Guangdong to adopt Cleaner Production technologies and practices	Businesses registered in Hong Kong and owning and operating a factory in Hong Kong/Guangdong	Environment Protection Department Tel: 2788 5588 Email: enquiry@cleanerproduction.hk Website: https://www.cleanerproduction.hk
Recycling Fund (Enterprise Support Programme)	Provide funding support for individual Hong Kong enterprises to upgrade and expand their waste recycling operations in Hong Kong	Enterprises registered in Hong Kong and involved in recycling related operation	Environment Protection Department Tel: 2788 5658 Email: enquiry@recyclingfund.hk Website: http://www.recyclingfund.hk/
Recycling Fund (Small-scale Standard Projects)	Provides targeted assistance to SMEs to upgrade their operation and enhance their capability with streamlined application, reporting and reimbursement seeking procedures	Enterprises registered in Hong Kong and involved in recycling related operation	Environment Protection Department Tel: 2788 5658 Email: enquiry@recyclingfund.hk Website: http://www.recyclingfund.hk/

The following government bureaux and departments, and public organisations are also operating funding schemes for SMEs

*** Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department operating**

- **Sustainable Agriculture Development Fund** to support practical, application-oriented projects, schemes or research work that enhance farmers' productivity and output, as well as contribute to fostering the sustainable development and enhancing the overall competitiveness of the agricultural industry (<http://www.afcd.gov.hk/english/agriculture/sadf/sadf.html>)
- **Farm Improvement Scheme** to provide direct grants to local farmers for acquisition of farming equipment and materials to improve their farming efficiency and productivity (http://www.afcd.gov.hk/english/agriculture/sadf/sadf_fis.html)
- **Vegetable Marketing Organization Loan Fund** to grant loans to local crop farmers for agricultural production and development (http://www.afcd.gov.hk/english/agriculture/agr_loan/agr_loan_vmolf/agr_loan_vmolf.html)
- **Kadoorie Agriculture Aid Loan Fund** to grant loans to individual farmers, pond fish operators and mariculturists for development and working capital (http://www.afcd.gov.hk/english/agriculture/agr_loan/agr_loan_kaalf/agr_loan_kaalf.html)
- **J.E. Joseph Trust Fund to grant loans** to farmers' co-operative societies and individual farmers for use either as development or working capital (http://www.afcd.gov.hk/english/agriculture/agr_loan/agr_loan_jtf/agr_loan_jtf.html)
- **Sustainable Fisheries Development Fund** to help the local fishing community move towards sustainable or high value-added operations, assisting the trade to enhance its overall competitiveness and cope with new challenges (<http://www.afcd.gov.hk/english/fisheries/sfdf/SFDF.html>)

**** Labour and Welfare Bureau** operating the **Community Investment and Inclusion Fund** to finance diversified social capital development projects, promotes trust and reciprocity among the public and different sectors, and builds a cross-sectoral collaborative platform and mutual help networks (<http://www.ciif.gov.hk>).

***** Travel Industry Council of Hong Kong operating**

- **Pilot Information Technology Development Matching Fund Scheme** to promote the adoption of information technology among small- and medium-sized travel agents for business expansion as well as enhancement of operational efficiency and service quality (http://www.tichk.org/public/website/en/industry_subsidy_scheme/IT_matching_fund/IT_matching_fund/html)
- **Development Fund** for the Travel Industry to enhance the overall competitiveness of the local travel industry through subsidising the training and promotional activities beneficial to travel agents (http://www.tichk.org/public/website/en/industry_subsidy_scheme/development_fund/development_fund/html)
- **Travel Industry Training Fund** to enhance the industry's service quality through subsidising training activities organised by eligible training bodies (http://www.tichk.org/public/website/en/industry_subsidy_scheme/training_fund/training_fund/html)