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BUSINESS NETWORKS

Business, investors and developers are well supported in Dubbo by a network of organisations set up to provide expertise and advice, as well as facilitating growth in the City and the region it services.

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Economic strategy

Council's Corporate Development Division oversees strategies that support business growth and development in Dubbo.

Council also produces an annual economic profile of the City to track trends in business growth, production and employment.

If you are a retailer or service provider you will find the economic information, as well as the population information available on Council's website, invaluable for business and market planning.

Strategic plans and research resources are available at www.dubbo.nsw.gov.au

City marketing

Council's City Image Marketing Strategy aims to promote the City and stimulate growth. Many promotional activities are delivered in partnership with local industry. Council works closely with local businesses to attract funding and deliver City marketing promotions that return results for Dubbo and individual businesses.

Planning and development

Council aims to create the most favourable environment for business i.e. best-practice planning controls and fees and charges, excellent customer service, and facilitation of specific projects.

Dubbo City Development Corporation

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The Dubbo City Development Corporation (DCDC) is a non-profit organisation funded by Dubbo City Council.

DCDC is charged with investment attraction for Dubbo and provides advice to existing businesses, start-up businesses and those looking to relocate or invest in Dubbo.

The team at DCDC helps businesses connect with the City and is there to make your investment in Dubbo as smooth and successful as possible.

DCDC aims to:

- Facilitate new business opportunities between internal and external businesses, development companies, local, state and federal agencies, relevant local stakeholders and Dubbo City Council with the view of achieving a positive outcome - growing and developing Dubbo's economy
- Assist in identifying and increasing awareness of key economic issues including infrastructure requirements required to stimulate growth
- Initiate effective events, facilitating investors' and government grants, export opportunities and linking businesses to key stakeholders who will nurture and process opportunities into sustainable businesses in Dubbo.

City Information Centre

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Council provides a city information service - assisting visitors, investors and residents with general information about the City, products, services and resources. The Centre acts as a central point for investment referrals, working closely with a range of local economic development stakeholders to ensure all investment enquiries are effectively referred.



Dubbo Chamber of Commerce

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The Dubbo Chamber of Commerce & Industry is one of the largest and longest standing chambers in regional NSW.

The Chamber is an association that represents the interests of the Dubbo business community. It is a voluntary partnership of business and professional people working together to build a healthy local economy. Members range from individuals to large business, with a common goal to promote and foster local business.

The Chamber has no political affiliations and is focussed on maximising the returns for business in Dubbo.

Key activities include lobbying Council and business development activities (networking events, seminars, business awards).

Orana Business Enterprise Centre (BEC)

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The Orana Business Enterprise Centre (BEC) has experienced business facilitators who can advise on business start-up, growth and development. This may include low cost training, mentoring programs, workshops and networking events.

The BEC offers business information and advice, mentoring, networking events, regional programs, business development workshops, resources and training. The Centre also has particular expertise and involvement in Aboriginal business and communities, and has two Aboriginal Enterprise Development Officers on staff.

Regional Development Australia

w www.rda.gov.au

Regional Development Australia (RDA) is a joint Commonwealth and State regional development arrangement, formalised under a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the Commonwealth and New South Wales Governments. The RDA committees replace the State's Regional Development Boards (RDB) and the Commonwealth's Area Consultative Committees (ACC).

In the Orana region, RDA - Orana has joined

City Profile

POPULATION	40,306
MEDIAN AGE	35.8
SIZE OF CITY	3425 km ²
VILLAGES	Eumungerie, Mogriguy, Brocklehurst, Rawsonville, Toongi, Ballimore and Wongarbron
ELEVATION	275 m (Dubbo)
MAIN INDUSTRIES	Retail, health, manufacturing, transport, tourism, education, construction, business services, agriculture, government services.
LOCATION	Geographically located in the heart of New South Wales, Dubbo is undoubtedly the shopping capital of the West. Dubbo is a service city with a shopping population in excess of 120,000 people. Geographically, it services a third of New South Wales.
ACCESS	Dubbo is the only city located in the Orana Region having developed over time as a major service centre and is situated at the intersection of the Newell, Mitchell and Golden highways. The City is an easy five-hour drive to Sydney, four hours from Newcastle and Canberra and a 10-hour drive from Melbourne and Brisbane.

the resources and skills of the two major regional development organisations; the Gowest Regional Development Board and the Orana Area Consultative Committees.

RDA - Orana assists all government agencies to focus their work on the priorities identified by each community. They bring together three levels of government to benefit local communities and find local solutions, while being able to concentrate the expertise of all Australian governments.

RDA - Orana provides advice to governments about regional issues; provides strategic input into Australian and New South Wales government programs; provides information to regional communities on National and New South Wales government initiatives; helps to coordinate regional planning and regional development initiatives; and establish links and cooperative alliances as appropriate by closely working with other regional development organisations, neighbouring RDA committees and local governments to promote regional development.

Department of State & Regional Development (NSW Government)

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The Department of State and Regional Development (DSRD) actively encourages business growth by working with companies at all stages of their development.

Business support programs offered by the Department include:

- Promoting investment
- Boosting exports
- Fostering innovation and technology development
- Improving the business climate
- Building the economic capacity of regional NSW
- Supporting entrepreneurship and growth in small and medium-sized businesses.

Through the Small Business Development Division, the NSW Department of State and Regional Development delivers support to the small to medium enterprises in NSW. It also runs a regional communities program. To ensure regional NSW shares in the economic growth experienced nationally, the Department works with regional communities to help them respond to and manage economic change. It works in partnership with local councils and businesses, business organisations and community groups to create new investment and jobs across the State.