

4. The R. E. Ross Trust

The R. E. Ross Trust published a guide to developing a prospectus for investment pitches in 2007: 'Inviting Investment in Social Enterprises', available at http://www.rosstrust.org.au/docs/RERoss_Prospectus.pdf

5. Social Firms Australia

Social Firms Australia offers the skills of business professionals to social enterprises wanting to create accessible workplaces for people with a mental illness or disability. Their Business Development Team can help you assess business opportunities, develop business plans, give specialist advice, assist you to secure funding, and provide you with information.

<http://www.socialfirms.org.au/whatwedo.php#>

Phone: (03) 9445 0373

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6. Social Traders' 'Social Enterprise Builder'

Social Traders' 'Social Enterprise Builder' provides a free step by step guide to setting up a social enterprise. Available at <http://www.socialtraders.com.au/social-enterprise-business-planning> Includes checklists and planning exercises to help you through the process, step by step.

7. Social Ventures Australia

Social Ventures Australia runs Social Enterprise Hubs in Logan, Ipswich and Brisbane, as well as other Australian locations. These are an initiative supported by government and business to provide business services to social enterprises, as well as opportunities to network and access resources. The Hubs offer meeting spaces, networking events, business development assistance, advice on securing government contracts, evaluation assistance and pro bono corporate help.

<http://www.socialventures.com.au/non-profits/>

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