



## NEWS

### Small Business Answers Program

25 May 2005

The Small Business Answers Program is a FREE confidential service for people setting up or running a business, including Home Based Businesses.

The Program is an initiative of the Australian Government, funded by the Department of Industry, Tourism and Resources, through the AusIndustry program and is contracted and supported by the FNQ Area Consultative Committee.

The Program is serviced by two "Small Business Field Officers", Sue Fairley and Kevin White. Enquiries can be directed to both Sue and Kevin, and they are the first point of contact for business people located in the following areas:

- Sue – Babinda to Cardwell, the Atherton Tablelands and the Gulf.
- Kevin – Cairns to Cooktown, Cape York and the Torres Strait.

In particular, Sue and Kevin can help business people by:

- providing one on one consultation, including at their business or their home;
- providing information on government and industry programs and resources;
- organising seminars and workshops;
- linking and networking businesses with other businesses and complimentary organisations;
- discussing ideas, issues and concerns and providing the direction and referral to where relevant assistance and resources are available.

Both Sue and Kevin emphasise the program is a FREE and is a confidential service, and it is a vital link for businesses and start-ups for information, contacts, training and resources.

. Sue Fairley on 0417 735 724 or 07 40 952850; e-mail [sbaosouth@fnqacc.com](mailto:sbaosouth@fnqacc.com);

. Kevin White on 0428 736 957 or 07 40 517836; e-mail [sbaonorth@fnqacc.com](mailto:sbaonorth@fnqacc.com).