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BOURKE SHIRE COUNCIL AND RDA ORANA TO HOST COVID -19 BUSINESS WEBINAR

General Manager of Bourke Shire Council, Ross Earl, today announced that Bourke Shire had joined with Regional Development Australia (RDA) Orana to present a webinar to assist local businesses to ascertain what assistance may be available to them due to the downturn caused by the COVID -19 Pandemic. The Webinar will be held this Thursday evening and will be conducted via ZOOM. All businesses including sole traders impacted Bourke and Brewarrina areas are invited to participate, with the webinar being provided free of charge

The Webinar will be facilitated by Megan Dixon, Director of Regional Development with RDA Orana who will be joined by Dubbo Business Specialists, Andrew Rose from Business DNA and Cherie Forrester from Seed HR who will also participate in a Q&A Session.

RDA Orana have been very active in providing summaries and links to information regarding the types of assistance that may be available such as the JobKeeper Allowance and have offered to conduct the webinar and share the information that they have sourced and collated.

With the current restrictions on travel and movement and the resulting loss of turnover for many businesses, it is critical for the economy of Bourke that businesses know what financial assistance is available to them and that as many people as possible are able to retain employment.

Mr Earl said that both the Federal and NSW governments had announced initiatives that may assist in achieving that goal and it is important that those impacted have a good understanding of what funding is available and importantly, how to access the funding.

The Seminar will start at 5.30pm on Thursday 23rd April 2020. To join the seminar, participants need to register in advance as below. After registering, participants will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_bmlbCr_STvGac2dux3-HTQ

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