



# Micro-grants

for small investments in newly started companies



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## **What are micro-grants?**

Micro means small, and micro-grants are financial contributions (not loans) that small and newly started companies can apply for when they need to make a small investment.

## **Who can apply for micro-grants?**

You can apply for these grants if you have a company that is at most five years old and that has a maximum of five employees. It may be a part-time business, but the company has to be operated on market terms and you have to work at least half-time in the company. The business has to have the potential to become profitable in the long-term and to create permanent job opportunities. Micro-grants may be applied for throughout the county and may only be awarded once per company.

## **How much can be received as a grant?**

Micro-grants are awarded for investments of between SEK 20,000–60,000. The grant may amount to at most 50 per cent of the investment. If you are making an investment for SEK 60,000, you can consequently receive a maximum grant of SEK 30,000. If you are making an investment for SEK 20,000, you can receive a maximum grant of SEK 10,000.





## **Examples of items for which you may apply for grants:**

- Changes and adaptations to premises and buildings
- Manufacturing machinery
- Equipment that is unique to the business
- Consultancy services
- The cost of displaying a product for the first time at a trade fair or exhibition
- Marketing of the company when it has recently started up
- Patents
- Licences
- Research and development

## **Apply first!**

You have to submit your application before you start your investment. Goods and services that have been ordered before the application has been received cannot be approved.



## **Examples of items for which you may NOT receive grants:**

- Purchase of vehicles, land, buildings, companies, bankruptcy estates
- Investments that need to be made to keep the business running, such as the purchase of a new machine when the old one is worn out
- Equipment that can be employed for private use, such as computers and mobile phones
- Costs that relate to the company's normal operations, such as rent, electricity, cleaning, wages (personnel)
- Own work (your wages)
- Leasing costs (Leasing means that you hire a machine or a vehicle for a period for a fixed monthly cost, rather than buying it)
- Hire purchase, i.e. the goods are purchased on credit

## **How long does it take to receive a decision?**

If all the information is present that is required in order to reach a decision, it takes around 14 days. You should therefore take care to ensure that you have enclosed everything. Feel free to call and ask if you are uncertain.

## **When is the grant paid out?**

The grant is paid out when the company can show that the invoice has been paid and that the costs correspond with what has been applied for. As the grant is paid out in arrears, you have to be able to demonstrate that the investment has been financed and that you can cope for the period while you are waiting.

## **How do I apply?**

Applications are only accepted electronically, via [www.minansokan.se](http://www.minansokan.se)

## **Enclosures that must always be submitted with the application**

The company's registration certificate

A profit budget and a liquidity budget.

You must be able to demonstrate both how you intend to achieve profitability in the company and how you have planned for the company to be able to pay its ongoing bills.

If the company is less than 2 years old, you must also submit a business plan that describes the service or product you are going to sell, where and how you are going to sell it, and how much you can be paid for it.

If the company is more than 2 years old, you must also submit the annual accounts for the past two years.

If you are running a business that requires special permits, these must also be enclosed.



## Do you need help?

If you need help to find out more about how to run a company, advice regarding your business concept or how to fill in an application for business support, you can visit [Verksam.se](http://Verksam.se) to get more information and to find advisers in the municipality where you live.

You can find a basic business plan in Swedish, Arabic and English at Almi Skåne: [www.almi.se/Skane/Dokument/Enkel-affarsplan-pa-arabiska-och-engelska](http://www.almi.se/Skane/Dokument/Enkel-affarsplan-pa-arabiska-och-engelska)



# Do you need help with your application?

Or if you have questions about Micro-grants or any of our other forms of business support you can contact us:

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