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Flood and cyclone affected family businesses access free business advice

Flood and cyclone affected family businesses across Queensland face the task of recovery, and many believe they have nowhere to turn.

Many will be revising income forecasts, sorting out lease agreements on flood-affected commercial premises, preparing for tax time – all made more difficult by lost paperwork. Some will be seeking to re-focus and revise strategy.

In response to this need, the Family Business Australia Queensland Adviser Group is offering up to two hours of free no obligation consultation to any Queensland family business directly affected by the floods or Cyclone Yasi.

The FBA Queensland Adviser Group includes specialists in areas such as commercial law, property law, cash flow projections, business valuations, taxation and accounting, mergers and acquisitions, and the unique dynamics of family owned businesses.

Richard Owens OAM, National Chairman of Family Business Australia said, "There is no need for family businesses who suffer through natural disasters to go through the next few months on their own. I encourage all family owned businesses in Queensland, to simply pick up the phone and talk to us, and visit the FBA website to find out how to access this resource. The calibre of advice provided by FBA Queensland Adviser Group is invaluable to ensure Queensland family businesses survive the next few months, and have a plan of action to ensure their success and sustainability for the next generation."

The professional service pro bono offer provided by members of the FBA Queensland Adviser Group includes up to two hours initial consultation. The offer will be open for a period of six months. This timeframe allows family businesses to be prepared for the end of the financial year.

Details of the FBA Queensland Adviser Group services can be found at www.fambiz.org.au or by calling Kerry Battersby, FBA Queensland Executive Officer on 07 3878 6464.

Background

FAMILY BUSINESS AUSTRALIA is the peak body for family business, committed to the success and sustainability of all Australian families in business. Our members include multi-generational family businesses, first generation operators, multi-sibling/cousin owned businesses and their advisers.

We advocate on behalf of our members, promote their successes and foster their sustainability and longevity.

Our support programs are designed to build stronger families and healthier businesses. Our education programs foster entrepreneurship, innovation and family business best practice.

We provide access to specialist family, business and technical services. Our networking events generate opportunities for families in business to learn and grow by networking and sharing with their peers.

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