

# \$13,350 subsidy for new Brickies Apprentices!



Between December 1<sup>st</sup> 2009 and February 28<sup>th</sup> 2010 the Federal Government is offering a special Apprentice Kickstart Bonus of \$3,350\* on all new commencements – in addition to existing government grants. Combined with incentives already provided by ABBTF, **building and bricklaying companies are now eligible for up to \$13,350 in subsidies for taking on a new Bricklayer Apprentice.**

Good quality young people are ready and keen to start as an apprentice, and add value to your business. Many have completed industry-sponsored Step Out Programs for school students, or Pre-Vocational Training in bricklaying at TAFE colleges, or Registered Training Organisations.

- ▶ Call 1300 66 44 96 now for details
- ▶ visit [www.becomeabricklayer.com.au](http://www.becomeabricklayer.com.au)
- ▶ Call an Australian Apprenticeships Centre: 13 38 73

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## There's never been a better time!

- Federal Government's new Kickstart Bonus for Apprentices: \$ 3,350\*  
**Hurry – closes Feb 28, 2010**
- ABBTF Subsidy \$ 6,000
- Federal Gov. Subsidy \$ 4,000

**Total Subsidies \$13,350**

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# There's never been a better time to put on a bricklaying apprentice!

Details over ...

## Apprentice Kickstart Bonus

The Federal Government has announced an additional incentive program for employers to take on an apprentice between 1st December 2009 and 28th February 2010.

The scheme is designed for employers of apprentices in a traditional trade, who are 19 years old and under, and commenced in the limited time frame as indicated above. The 'Apprentice Kickstart Bonus' is an additional \$3,350 to the employer paid in two instalments, these are \$850 paid at three months, followed by \$2,500 paid at nine months. This new bonus is in addition to other incentives already available.

Results from a recent national survey of bricklayers found the following:

### Why do employers take on an apprentice?

- Makes good business sense
- An apprentice is more likely to stay with an employer over the 3-4 years
- Because the employer was an apprentice once
- It costs less to employ an apprentice

### Do bricklaying apprentices cost the employer money?

- More than half of bricklayers make money from their 1st year apprentice
- Three-quarters of bricklayers said they made money from their 2nd year apprentice
- Ninety-three percent of bricklayers said they made money from their 3rd year apprentice