

Our small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) are the backbone of our economy, providing employment, and driving engines of growth and innovation.

Over the years, our SMEs have weathered many storms. They have remained resilient, adapted quickly, and transformed decisively.

The Government will continue to journey with them to overcome the challenges ahead so that they can grow their business.

We have a range of support measures to help our SMEs and are committed to doing more.

Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry, Mr Gan Kim Yong

## **Support schemes for SMEs**



### Manage rising business costs

- S\$1.3 billion Enterprise Support Package in 2024
- 50% Corporate Income Tax rebate in the Year of Assessment 2025 (capped at \$\$40,000 per company)
  - Minimum benefit of S\$2,000 for active companies with at least one local employee employed in 2024



### Invest in the workforce

- Extended flexibilities on foreign worker policies
  (e.g., removed the maximum period of employment
  restrictions for Work Permit holders and expanded the
  Non-Traditional Sources Occupation List)
- Over S\$400 million set aside for Enterprise Workforce Transformation Package (EWTP), for a suite of initiatives to support companies to embark on workforce transformation, including a redesigned SkillsFuture Enterprise Credit (SFEC) and new SkillsFuture Workforce Development Grant with enhanced support for job redesign



# Transform through digitalisation, innovation and access to financing

- Support the adoption of digital and Al-enabled solutions through schemes such as the Productivity Solutions Grant and SMEs Go Digital Programme
- Enterprise Development Grant to help companies innovate and grow through the development of business strategies, strengthening of human capital, financial management capabilities, etc.
- Enterprise Financing Scheme (EFS) to enable businesses to access financing more readily across all stages of growth, covering several areas including green loans, working capital loans, fixed asset loans, venture debt loans



## Seize new business opportunities through internationalisation

- Under EFS, the maximum loan quantum for EFS-Trade Loans has been permanently enhanced to SS\$10M
- Extended Double Tax Deduction for Internationalisation (DTDi) to 2030
- Extended enhanced Market Readiness Assistance (MRA) grant cap to 31 Mar 2026





#### **Revitalise our heartlands**

- Enhanced Visual Merchandising Programme for heartland shops to refresh their stores, with total qualifying costs increased to S\$60,000
- New Vibrant Heartlands Programme for Merchants' Associations to support placemaking activities and events at heartland estates island-wide



### Foster a pro-enterprise environment

- SME Pro-Enterprise Office to help businesses navigate complex regulatory issues
- Enhanced SME Centres to offer a wider range of business advisory services and programmes





Connect with SME Centre business advisors for assistance.