

Belmont BEC thanks Microsoft for donation

Belmont Business Enterprise Centre (Belmont BEC) is delighted to receive \$3,300 worth of software from Microsoft.

Belmont Business Enterprise Centre is a non-profit community-based organisation established in 1994, to assist the growth and development of small business.

The Centre offers free assistance and support to new and existing businesses through:

- ❖ free practical business assistance
- ❖ referral to specialist advisers (accountants, lawyers etc)
- ❖ business workshops
- ❖ business information
- ❖ problem solving

Over the years the Belmont Business Enterprise Centre has instigated a range of well known projects and programs for the benefit of small business clients. These include: the Belmont Small Business Awards, TCFWA, Designedge Innovation Festival, Multicultural Business Support Services and the WA Racing Industry Project.

The Centre is an industry specialist for the creative, fashion, and TCFL (textile, clothing, footwear and leather) industries.

Microsoft are happy to make this donation as part of their commitment to providing software and digital skills training to Australia's non profit and charitable sector. In 2009, Microsoft donated more than \$23 million worth of software to Australian charities.

Carol Hanlon of Belmont BEC said "On behalf of Belmont BEC I am pleased to receive this software donation and look forward to working with the new software in 2010."

Belmont BEC will use the donation for Windows 7 Office software and other server software.

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About Belmont BEC:

Since its inception, the Belmont BEC has established an extensive range of community projects and programs. These include the Textile Clothing Footwear Resource Centre Inc. (TCFWA), Belmont Small Business Awards, WA Racing Industry Development Project, Designedge Innovation Festival, Multicultural Business Support Services, Designedge Fashion Incubator, Belmont Clothes Library, and Business Workshops for Youth. Other centre activities include the establishment of a range of specialist business workshops, many with a focus on creative industry business development programs with indigenous and culturally diverse groups.