

AUTORAISE APPRENTICESHIP BURSARY SCHEME:

Supporting the Next Generation of Automotive Talent

AutoRaise
THE AUTOMOTIVE SKILLS CHARITY

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SUPPORTING SMALL BUSINESSES

In The Automotive Industry



AutoRaise, the dedicated automotive charity, is proud to announce a substantial bursary scheme designed to support small and medium-sized employers in the automotive industry. This initiative aims to alleviate the financial burden during the critical first six months of employing an apprentice by providing funding equivalent to £7,500 per eligible employer. The scheme is specifically tailored for businesses with an annual turnover of less than £2.5 million, making it an ideal opportunity for independent garages and body shops looking to invest in fresh talent whilst managing costs effectively.

By partnering with top education providers across the UK, including Emtec, Blackpool and Fylde College, and Thatcham Research, we're committed to developing skilled professionals in Vehicle Damage Assessors (VDA), Automotive Repair Technicians (ART), Panel, Mechanical, Electrical and Trim (MET) Technicians and Paint specialisations.

SCHEME BENEFITS



Financial Support

Receive a substantial bursary of £7,500 to offset the initial costs of employing an apprentice. This is disbursed in two equal payments.

Business Mentorship

Gain access to AutoRaise's extensive network of industry professionals who will provide guidance and support throughout the apprenticeship process, from recruitment and onboarding to training and development.

Quality Training

Partner with leading education providers across the UK (Emtec, Blackpool and Fylde College, and Thatcham) to ensure your apprentice receives top-tier training in their chosen specialisation.

IMPLEMENTATION

Eligibility Criteria

To verify eligibility, businesses will need to provide a year's summary of accounts to confirm their turnover is below the £2.5 million threshold.

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Apprentice must be enrolled in one of the specified programmes: VDA, ART, Panel, MET or Paint

Training must be delivered through one of the participating education providers: Emtec, Blackpool and Fylde College, or Thatcham Research.

Apprentice must remain continuously employed for the full 6-month period to receive the complete bursary

A comprehensive breakdown of eligibility criteria is on our website.

Regional Coverage

The pilot programme strategically partners with education providers covering three distinct regions of the UK, ensuring nationwide access to high-quality training:

Emtec - Serving the Midlands and Central England regions

Blackpool and Fylde College - Covering Northern England and Scotland

Thatcham Research - Supporting Southern England and Wales

APPLICATION PROCESS

This bursary scheme represents a significant opportunity for eligible employers to invest in developing skilled apprentices whilst receiving substantial financial support and expert guidance.

By participating, you're not only benefiting your business but also contributing to the future of the automotive repair industry in the UK.

01 **Initial Contact**
Reach out to AutoRaise or one of the participating education providers to express interest in the bursary scheme.

02 **Eligibility Assessment**
Submit documentation to verify your business turnover and confirm eligibility for the scheme.

03 **Apprentice Selection**
Identify and recruit a suitable candidate for one of the qualifying apprenticeship programmes.

04 **Bursary Activation**
Complete the formal application process and receive confirmation of your place in the scheme.

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APPLY NOW

AutoRaise understands the financial barriers many businesses and apprentices face.

Our bursary program provides vital support to make apprenticeships accessible and sustainable.

Click here to apply for the bursary.

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