

AusIndustry Entrepreneurs' Programme

Success stories

Bortana EV

Game Changing Safety



Humble beginnings

From humble beginnings as a two-person operation,
Safescape commenced in
2010 and completed
installation of its flagship
product Safescape
Laddertube in Victoria that
same year.

Quality Systems

Safescape first came into the
Entrepreneurs Programme in 2018, when
they sought support to improve their
quality systems and reach their goal of
becoming Certified in Quality, Safety and
Environment International Standards.
The Certification has assisted Safescape
to onboard international clients whose
contractor requirements include
evidence of established systems for
delivery of high-quality products, service,
and continual improvement practices. As
Safescape move into the next phase of
growth the value add of this certification
will prove to be significant.

Growth - Bortana EV

Over the next 12 to 18 months Safescape are expecting exponential growth, this planned growth has brought them back to the Entrepreneurs Programme for a Business Growth Service (now called High Growth Accelerator).

The focus of the Service is to support the commercialisation of the Bortana EV: a battery-electric vehicle designed and developed in Australia by Safescape, handles the aggressive operating environment of underground mines and tackles safety and health concerns in mining head on through zero emissions, reduced heat and lower maintenance.

Scalable Systems

With growth over the last 11 years
Safescape identified that their accounting
package was no longer fit for purpose
and won't scale with them. The
Entrepreneurs Program, via a matched
Grant, supported Safescape to
implement an ERP system capable of
managing the organisation as it doubles
in size. The new ERP incorporates
modules for managing complicated
manufacturing processes including build
specs, parts, and stock inventory to
ensure accurate forecasting and

performance reporting for each department of the business.

"With the support of the Entrepreneurs Programme, we have been able to fast track certification and build systems that will be invaluable to the future of our company. With so much pressure on growing businesses, which increased since the beginning of the pandemic, the support offered through the program has assisted us to keep moving in the right direction." Allison Deadman, General Manager

Accelerating into the future

Since 2010, over 47,000m of Safescape Laddertube has been supplied to 132 mine sites across 22 countries. There are now offices in Bendigo (Victoria) and Perth (Western Australia) employing 34 staff and the product suite has grown to include Edge Protector, Multi-Bund and the all-electric Bortana EV.

