

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program



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DBE Program Key Objectives



- Federal Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program relates to securing equal opportunity in business.
- Funded through the USDOT
- Helps small minority or women-owned businesses to compete in a fair environment.

Key Objectives

- Intended to remedy discrimination against DBEs to ensure a “level playing field” and foster equal opportunity in USDOT-assisted contracts.
- Many municipalities and state governments along with the Federal gov’t and large gov’t contractors have diversity programs.

Eligibility Requirements

1. Minority or Women-owned business
2. US citizen or permanent resident
3. Gross Receipts need to meet SBA guidelines
4. Ownership and Control
5. Personal Net Worth may not exceed \$750,00 excluding prime residence and equity in certified business

Why Certify?

- Certification can be an added value service you can provide to you clients.
- Unified Certification Program (UCP)
NHDOT is the sole certifying agency for the state of New Hampshire.
- Many agencies and corporations seek out minority and women-owned business to meet their diversity goals.

Benefits

- Inclusion in the NHDOT DBE Directory
- Receive bidding information for upcoming NHDOT, other state agency and municipal projects.
- Value added service you can provide to your clients.

Certification Process

- Obtain & complete application
- www.nhdot.com
- Review checklist
- Send application to NHDOT
- Review by Office of Federal Compliance
- Schedule an On-site Evaluation
- Receive certification to be renewed annually

DBE Goals

- NHDOT has an annual DBE participation goal for 5% for FY 2009.
- Other agencies, such as Manchester Airport,
- Nashua Transit Authority, UNH, Pease International TP, GE, Raytheon, BAE Systems and other government contactors have their own DBE programs and goals.

DBE Goals

- DBE goals must be narrowly tailored
- Ready, willing and able DBEs vs overall contractors.

DBE Program



Questions

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