



2018 – 2020 DBE Goal Increases to 10.65%

OVERALL GOAL

The overall goal for the Florida Department of Transportation's (FDOT) Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program for FHWA assisted contracts is established on a triennial basis. The overall goal for federal fiscal years 2018 -2020 has been set at **10.65%** utilizing the methodologies described in 49 CFR Part 26. By submission of this goal methodology, FDOT commits that it will regularly monitor its progress in achieving the goal over the next three years and adjust its measures to include race conscious efforts, if necessary.

METHODOLOGY

In setting the goal for FDOT, it is required that the goal setting process begin with a base figure for the relative availability of DBEs. The overall goal must be based on demonstrable evidence of the availability of ready, willing, and able DBEs relative to all businesses ready, willing, and able to participate on FHWA assisted contracts. The State of Florida is the primary market area for this analysis because all the dollars are spent within Florida and the vast majority of the contractors and consultants are located in Florida.

FDOT has reviewed the alternatives listed in 49 CFR Part 26 and selected the use of the DBE Directory and Census Bureau Data as the best approach for goal development.

In an effort to narrowly tailor our submission, we targeted establishments with specific NAICS codes corresponding to the work that FDOT includes in our federally assisted projects for both Construction contractors (16,447) and Professional Services consultants (27,943). We also looked at the past three years of actual prime and DBE and non-DBE subcontractor/ subconsultant results for comparison and validation of census data, and our DBE directory which consists of firms certified by FDOT and other Unified Certification Program (UCP) certifying entities as construction contractors (1,527) and professional services consultants (1,408). Capturing three years of information also ensures that FDOT has the more complete information and would more likely include businesses that should have, but did not show up on a list that included only one year. The sources are:

- Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, Bureau of Labor Market Statistics through December 2016.
- Florida UCP DBE directory
- Reports from AASHTOWare that list all bidders, successful bidders, and their listed subcontractors.
- Reports from the Professional Services Information System that lists all bidders, successful bidders, and their listed subconsultants.
- DBEs and MBEs entered into the Equal Opportunity Compliance system.



About The FDOT

The goal of the DBE Supportive Services Program is to increase the number of DBEs participating on FDOT contracts and facilitate the opportunity for DBEs to obtain contracts. The services are designed to:

- Assist established construction firms to move them from bidding as a subcontractor to bidding as a Prime Contractor to produce sound bids.
- Provide access to training increases DBE expertise in handling of daily business operations.

About The Program

The Construction Estimating Institute (CEI) works with FDOT as the statewide provider of the federally funded Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) Supportive Services Program. We want to increase the number of certified DBEs participating in highway and bridge construction, as well as assist DBEs in growing and eventually becoming self-sufficient. Additionally, CEI provides supportive services by assisting prime contractors and consultants with identifying DBEs for subcontracting opportunities on priority projects.



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