

RISE DIVERSITY & INCLUSION PROGRAM

RESOURCES, INVOLVEMENT, SUPPORT AND EDUCATION FOR BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

PURPOSE: Connect Nevada’s small and diverse businesses to locally-funded transportation contracting opportunities

GOAL: Award 8% of contracts to LSB/LDB construction firms on locally-funded roadway projects

Award 2% of contracts to LSB/LDB professional services firms on locally-funded roadway projects

CERTIFICATION PROCESS: Call, email or go online for application, certification details and additional questions. Businesses may certify as local/small, local/diverse or both using criteria below. Re-certification is required every 3 years.

LOCAL SMALL BUSINESS (LSB)	LOCAL DIVERSE BUSINESS (LDB)
Gender & Race Neutral	Gender & Race Specific
Annual Revenue Caps	No Annual Revenue Caps
Local	Local
Approved Dual-Program Certifications	
Minority Business Enterprise (MBE)	Minority Business Enterprise (MBE)
Nevada Unified Certification Program (DBE Certification)	Nevada Unified Certification Program (DBE Certification)
Women’s Business Enterprise (WBE)	Women’s Business Enterprise (WBE)
Women-Owned Small Business (WOSB)	Women-Owned Small Business (WOSB)
Economically Disadvantages Woman Owned Small Business (EDWOSB)	Economically Disadvantages Woman Owned Small Business (EDWOSB)
Emerging Small Business (ESB)	Emerging Small Business (ESB)
Approved Program-Specific Certifications	
Small Business Administration (SBA)	Airport Concessions Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (ACDBE)
SBA Small Disadvantaged Business	Disabled Veteran-Owned Business Enterprise (DVBE)
SBA 8 (A) Business Development Program	
SBA HUBZone	
Nevada Governor’s Office of Economic Development (GOED)	
Applicable tax schedules stating gross revenue or audited financials	

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The program is designed to assist small and diverse companies gain access to contracting opportunities on fuel tax funded Transit and Streets & Highways projects.

RESOURCES · The RTC will connect small and diverse companies to resources that can assist these firms with contracting opportunities on Transit and Streets & Highways projects. Resource partners include, but are not limited to:

- Nevada Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC)
- Nevada Business & Industry
- Small Business Administration (SBA)
- Nevada Small Business Development Center (SBDC)
- SCORE Nevada
- NDOT Small Business Resource Center
- Nevada Contractor's Association
- NDOT Small Business Resource Center
- Small Business Opportunity Program (SBOP)

INVOLVEMENT · RTC and public entity partners will provide small and diverse companies opportunities to get involved in bid opportunities through procurement channels, pre-bid meetings, bid invitations, networking with prime contractors and relationship building.

SUPPORT · The RTC and its partners will provide small and diverse companies contracting support in the areas of procurement strategy and contract performance through prime contractor mentoring, public entity programs and partner resources.

EDUCATION · The RTC and its partners will provide education opportunities to small and diverse companies in the areas of procurement opportunities, capacity building, capabilities statements, contract performance and other needs as requested.

