

CITY OF CONCORD DBE PROGRAM

POLICY STATEMENT

Section 26.1, 26.23

Objectives/Policy Statement

The City of Concord has established a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program in accordance with regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 49 CFR Part 26. The City of Concord has received Federal financial assistance from the Department of Transportation, and as a condition of receiving this assistance, the City of Concord has signed an assurance that it will comply with 49 CFR Part 26.

It is the policy of the City of Concord to ensure that DBEs as defined in 49 CFR Part 26, have an equal opportunity to receive and participate in DOT-assisted contracts. It is also our policy:

1. To ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOT – assisted contracts;
2. To create a level playing field on which DBEs can compete fairly for DOT-assisted contracts;
3. To ensure that the DBE Program is narrowly tailored in accordance with applicable law;
4. To ensure that only firms that fully meet 49 CFR Part 26 eligibility standards are permitted to participate as DBEs;
5. To help remove barriers to the participation of DBEs in DOT assisted contracts;
6. To assist the development of firms that can compete successfully in the market place outside the DBE Program.

The City's Accountant that handles grant reporting has been designated as the DBE Liaison Officer. In that capacity, The Accountant is responsible for implementing all aspects of the DBE program. Implementation of the DBE program is accorded the same priority as compliance with all other legal obligations incurred by the City of Concord in its financial assistance agreements with the Department of Transportation.

The City of Concord has disseminated this policy statement to the Concord City Council and all of the components of our organization. We have distributed this statement to DBE and non-DBE business communities that perform work for us on DOT-assisted contracts. The policy statement is available in the City Clerk's office and the DBE Liaison's office and will be mailed to all parties requesting a copy or a City transportation-related RFP, or expressing an interest in obtaining a transportation-related contract with the City.

W. Brian Smith / *6/10/12*

City Manager

Date