

MBE

[Minority Business Enterprise]

State of Ohio Program with Certification through DAS

GOAL: 15% Set-aside

APPLICATION: Goods & Services, e.g. , Snow Plows, Aggregate, Quick-Setting Concrete, Traffic Cones, Transcription Services

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Ohio's **Minority Business Enterprise (MBE)** program is designed to assist minority businesses in obtaining state government contracts for supplying goods and services.

MBE ELIGIBILITY

Business owner(s) must be members of one or more of the following groups: **Blacks, American Indians, Hispanics and Asians.**

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- The business must be a for-profit entity
- In business at least 1 year prior to applying for certification
- The minority business owner must own and control at least **51 percent** for one year prior to applying for certification
- Owner must be an **Ohio resident**
- Owner must be a **U.S. citizen**
- Owner has control over day-to-day operations
- Owner must have all licenses, permits and authorities required by law to perform the scope of work

EDGE

[Encouraging Diversity, Growth & Equity]

State of Ohio Program with Certification through DAS

GOAL: 5% Overall Goal

APPLICATION: Procurements of supplies and services, professional services, information technology services, construction and professional design services.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Encouraging Diversity, Growth & Equity (EDGE) is an assistance program for economically and socially disadvantaged business enterprises. The program establishes goals for state agencies, boards and commissions in awarding contracts to certified EDGE eligible businesses. EDGE applies to procurements of supplies and services, professional services, information technology services, construction and professional design services. The maximum amount of time a business may participate in the EDGE program is ten years.

EDGE ELIGIBILITY

An EDGE participant must be a small **socially and economically disadvantaged business** enterprise owned and controlled by **U.S. citizens who are Ohio residents.**

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Socially disadvantaged requirements include:

- Race, ethnic origin, gender, physical/mental disability or long-term residency in an environment isolated from mainstream Ohio society

Economically disadvantaged criteria includes both of the following:

- Personal net worth of each owner must not exceed \$250,000
- Personal net worth of each owner must not exceed \$750,000 during participation

DBE

[Disadvantaged Business Enterprise]

Federal Program with Certification through ODOT

GOAL: 8.9% ODOT Overall Goal for FFY 14, 15 & 16

APPLICATION: Federally funded highway construction and design contracts, e.g. Major Highway Reconstruction, Geotechnical Design, Environmental Consulting

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Federal program ensures nondiscrimination in the award/administration of DOT-assisted contracts in highway, transit and airport projects.

DBE ELIGIBILITY

Persons must **own 51% or more of a "small business,"** establish that they are disadvantaged within the meaning of DOT regulations, and prove they control their business.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Disadvantaged individuals must be a **U.S. citizen (or permanent resident alien)**
- A member of a socially or economically disadvantaged group including women, Black Americans, Hispanic Americans, Native Americans, Asian-Pacific Americans, Subcontinent Asian-Pacific Americans, or other minorities; those with disabilities may also be eligible
- A firm (including its affiliates) must not have annual gross receipts over \$22.41 million in the previous three (3) fiscal years
- Only disadvantaged persons having a personal net worth (PNW) of less than \$1.32 million will be considered

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