



DBE Program

The Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program is a federally funded program intended to provide contracting opportunities to small businesses owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals.

GoRaleigh Transit shall not discriminate in any manner on the basis of race, color, sex or national origin, and shall take all reasonable steps to ensure that certified Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE's) have the maximum opportunity to participate in the performance of contracts financed, in whole or in part, with financial assistance from the United States Department of Transportation (DOT), acting through such agencies as the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). GoRaleigh Transit shall implement this DBE Program in accordance with 49 CFR Part 26 of the Code of Federal Regulations entitled "Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in Department of Transportation Programs."

I am certainly glad whenever I have the opportunity to meet a firm eager to participate in the GoRaleigh's DBE program. As promised, here is information you will find useful as you pursue business with the City of Raleigh. I have also included additional information on organizations and events of interest to help grow your professional network.

Please remember, **the City does not certify DBE firms**. The City's DBELO will be working with firms to help direct in the proper direction. Furthermore, we work very closely with the NC DOA/HUB Office and NC DOT/DBE. You can find more information regarding certifications from NCHUB or NCDOT/DBE by clicking on the office names below.

I will be sending updates on a monthly basis or as need to keep you inform of contracting opportunities with GoRaleigh and other organizations receiving federal funds.

Please start working on your HUB Certification as soon as possible then begin the work for DBE certification,

NCDOA (HUB): Office for Historically Underutilized Businesses

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Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1336
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NCDOT (DBE): Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program

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1. You can register as a City supplier [City Supplier Registration Form](#). When you complete the form you will be asked to attach your HUB and/or DBE letter of certification along with your company's W-9 form. Once completed the procurement office will review your request and set your company up in the system as a supplier. For City of Raleigh supplier registration and update assistance, contact the Procurement Division, 919-996-3240. (Please note that the City of Raleigh only recognizes certifications from the NCHUB and/or NCDOT-DBE offices. If you are not certified as HUB or DBE your company will not be assigned a vendor identification number until your certification is complete).
2. Visit the [COR Bids and RFPs/RFQs](#) and scroll down to view current City of Raleigh project opportunities. We also recommend that you attend pre-bid meetings if necessary.
3. Please view to the [City's DBE Webpage](#) to receive notifications and information on various topics.
4. **United Minority Contractors of North Carolina (UMCNC)** <https://umcnc.org/> - Serving the entire state of North Carolina, United Minority Contractors of North Carolina is actively engaged in meeting the needs and concerns of its members through outreach, education, business development and public advocacy.

Building After Hours, held 3rd Thursday of each month, Residence Inn (rooftop) hosted by UMCNC – the link below is for registering for the Thursday night event, 5:30-7:30. Let me know when you plan on attending.

[Click here](#) to register and ensure you have a printed name badge.

5. The "12-18 Month Look Ahead" **City of Raleigh** document – This document is designed to assist contractors/subcontractors in planning for upcoming construction opportunities with the City of Raleigh. Project description, construction estimate, and projected timeline, along with contact information are listed for your convenience.
<https://www.raleighnc.gov/content/HousingNeighborhoods/Documents/MWBEMonthLookAhead.pdf>
6. RDU Small Business Programs <https://www.rdu.com/do-business-with-rdu/small-businesses/> 919-840-7712
7. Carolina-Virginia Minority Supplier Development Council - <http://cvmsdc.org/> CVMSDC is a non-profit corporation chartered to enhance business opportunities for minority-owned companies

by providing support through developing mutually beneficial networking opportunities with corporate members and promoting minority business development.

8. Wake County Public Schools has opportunities as a vendor <https://www.wcpss.net/Page/271> with current bid openings. Wake County Public Schools Bid Advertisements and Outreach can be found at the following <https://www.wcpss.net/Page/250>
9. Wake County has opportunities as a vendor <http://www.wakegov.com/finance/business/vendors/Pages/default.aspx> Wake County Bid Advertisements and Outreach can be found at the following <http://www.wakegov.com/finance/business/Pages/default.aspx>
10. Town of Cary has opportunities as a vendor <https://www.townofcary.org/business-development/doing-business> the Town of Cary Bid Advertisements and Outreach can be found at the following <https://www.townofcary.org/business-development/business-opportunities> .
11. Town of Chapel Hill has opportunities as a vendor <https://www.townofchapelhill.org/government/departments-services/business-management/purchasing-and-contracts/vendor-application-form-w-9> the Town Chapel Hill Bid Advertisements and Outreach can be found at the following <https://www.townofchapelhill.org/government/departments-services/business-management/purchasing-and-contracts/notice-to-bidders>
12. City of Durham has opportunities as a vendor <https://durhamnc.gov/472/Solutions-for-Businesses> the City of Durham Bid Advertisements and Outreach can be found at the following <https://durhamnc.gov/Bids.aspx>
13. Durham County has opportunities as a vendor <https://www.dconcc.gov/county-departments/departments-f-z/finance/vendor-application-and-w9-form> Durham County Bid Advertisements and Outreach can be found at the following <https://www.dconcc.gov/county-departments/departments-f-z/finance/bid-opportunities>
14. Town of Wake Forest has opportunities as a vendor <https://www.wakeforestnc.gov/business> the Town of Wake Forest Bid Advertisements and Outreach can be found at the following <https://www.wakeforestnc.gov/finance/purchasing-warehouse/bids-announcements>
15. City of Fayetteville has opportunities as a vendor <https://www.faypwc.com/purchasing/> the City of Fayetteville Bid Advertisements and Outreach can be found at the following <https://www.faypwc.com/purchasing/>
16. City of Greensboro has opportunities as a vendor <https://www.greensboro-nc.gov/business/economic-development-business-support/assistance-programs> City of Greensboro Bid Advertisements and Outreach can be found at the following <https://www.greensboro-nc.gov/business/bidding-opportunities>

17. Piedmont Triad International has Bid Advertisements and Outreach opportunities for firms can be found at the following <https://flyfrompti.com/request-for-proposals-and-requests-for-qualifications/>
18. City of Winston Salem has opportunities as a vendor <https://vendorlisting.cityofws.org/Account/CommodityVendorList.aspx> the City of Winston-Salem Bid Advertisements and Outreach can be found at the following <https://www.bidnetdirect.com/north-carolina/cityofwinstonsalem>
19. City of Charlotte has opportunities as a vendor <https://charlottenc.gov/DoingBusiness/Pages/vendors.aspx> the City of Charlotte Bid Advertisements and Outreach can be found at the following <https://charlottenc.gov/DoingBusiness/Pages/ContractOpportunities.aspx>
20. Charlotte Douglas International Airport has Bid Advertisements and Outreach opportunities for firms can be found at the following <https://www.cltairport.com/business/contract-opportunities/>

I hope this information is helpful. I think I have covered everything we discussed. Please feel free to contact GoRaleigh's DBELO office if you have additional questions.

Thank you,

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