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U.S. Transportation Secretary LaHood Announces \$11.6 Million in Grants for Minority- and Women-Owned Businesses

Resources will Help Small Businesses Compete for Federal Highway Contracts

WASHINGTON - U.S. Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood today announced \$11.6 million in grants to help disadvantaged business enterprises (DBEs) compete for federal highway contracts in 30 states and Puerto Rico.

"Giving these small businesses the assistance they need to compete for federal highway contracts creates jobs and ultimately helps taxpayers by reducing project costs," said Secretary LaHood. "Any way you look at them, these grants are a 'win-win' for the American people."

The grants from the Federal Highway Administration's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise/Supportive Services (DBE/SS) program provide federal aid to DBE firms to improve their ability to compete for and fulfill federal highway contracts.

Since 1982, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has promoted the participation of DBEs in federal-aid highway contracts through state-managed programs. The DBE/SS grants are part of an ongoing federal effort to help state departments of transportation train certified DBE firms on a wide range of business management practices, including procurement assistance and guidance on securing bonding. The goal of the program is to help DBEs successfully compete for federal highway projects.

"Helping DBE firms and their workers enriches the competition for federal highway contracts," said Federal Highway Administrator Victor Mendez. "Grants like these will help people find jobs and are an important part of economic recovery."

A DBE is a for-profit, small business owned by minorities, women or socially and economically disadvantaged individuals or, in the case of a corporation, in which 51 percent of the stock is owned by one or more such individuals. The daily business operations must be controlled by at least one of the socially and economically disadvantaged owners. More information about DBE eligibility can be found on the U.S. Department of Transportation's website.



Alabama	\$373,950	Alabama	\$384,312	Alaska	\$185,381
Arizona	\$750,000	Arkansas	\$194,864	California	\$1,000,000
Connecticut	\$391,320	Delaware	\$262,500	Florida	\$600,000
Idaho	\$97,900	Illinois	\$912,600	Indiana	\$603,499
Kansas	\$175,000	Kentucky	\$150,500	Maine	\$109,000
Maryland	\$300,000	Michigan	\$475,000	Mississippi	\$485,900
Montana	\$232,190	New Mexico	\$218,500	North Carolina	\$514,900
Ohio	\$430,500	Oklahoma	\$41,166	Pennsylvania	\$455,652
Puerto Rico	\$92,500	South Carolina	\$258,383	South Dakota	\$139,033
Tennessee	\$600,000	Texas	\$500,000	Vermont	\$150,000
Washington	\$309,096	Wyoming	\$160,397		

Total \$11,554,493

INROADS

Bid and Contracting Opportunities

Welcome,
Recently
Certified DBEs!

Brian Hoornbeek
a2z Supply Corp
Industrial/Construction
Supplies

Myrna Mooney
Mountain Chief
Management Services
Construction
Management Services

Judy Keintz
Fencecrafters Missoula
Inc
Commercial Fencing

Valerie O'Donnell
Progressive Industries
Inc
Commercial Supplier

MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION MDT holds two bid lettings each month.

Proposed for letting August 2010

UPN/UNIT	PROJECT ID	FINANCIAL DISTRICT	PROJECT DESIGNATION	TYPE OF CONSTRUCTION	LENGTH MILES
5174 000	IM 90-8(155)437	5	MOSSMAIN INTECH-EAST	ROADWAY & ROADSIDE SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS	
5749 000	IM 90-8(159)456	5	PINEHILLS INTCH-SE	RESURFACING-ASPHALT (THIN LIFT<=60.00MM)(INC SAF. IMP.)(PAVE PRES	6.5
2015 001	NH 7-1(94)54	1	BEAR CREEK ROAD-SOUTH	RECONSTRUCTION – WITH ADDED CAPACITY	2.6
4053 000	NH 20-1(9)19	4	30 KM NE OF GLENDIVE-NE	RECONSTRUCTION-WITHOUT ADDED CAPACITY	10.0
6411 000	HSIP 58-1(26)40	3	SF079-BABB-PORT OF PIEGAN	ROADWAY & ROADSIDE SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS	
4058 001	NH 1-10(62)633	4	BIG MUDDY CREEK-WEST	RECONSTRUCTION-WITHOUT ADDED CAPACITY	6.8
4058 000	NH 1-10(48)626	4	BROCKTON-EAST	RECONSTRUCTION-WITHOUT ADDED CAPACITY	6.7
1016 002	STPP 72-1(14)17	5	JCT US 310-SOUTH	RECONSTRUCTION-WITHOUT ADDED CAPACITY	4.8
7008 000	STPP 81-1(19)31	5	CURVES-7 MILES WEST OF	RECONSTRUCTION-WITHOUT ADDED CAPACITY	0.8
4470 000	STPS 235-1(9)0	2	JCT MT 85-EAST (WEST SECTION)	RECONSTRUCTION-WITHOUT ADDED CAPACITY	2.0
6382 000	MT 234-1(16)21	3	TAYLOR HILL ROAD	RECONSTRUCTION-WITHOUT ADDED CAPACITY	2.5



The State of Montana offers one stop vendor information at the following link:

<http://svc.mt.gov/gsd/onestop/SolicitationDefault.aspx>

This website contains information from all agencies that are soliciting a contract. Check it out!

U. S. Department of Transportation Announces Nationwide Enforcement Crackdown on Drunk Driving

WASHINGTON – The U.S. Department of Transportation kicked off the annual Drunk Driving. Over the Limit. Under Arrest. campaign aimed at getting drunk drivers off the road. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) also released new data indicating that eight percent of all drivers, as many as 17 million people, have driven drunk at least once during the past year.

The law enforcement crackdown will run through Labor Day and involve thousands of police agencies from across the nation. Enforcement efforts are supported by \$13 million in television and radio advertising from NHTSA.

“Drunk driving is deadly, it’s against the law, and unfortunately, it’s still a problem,” said Secretary LaHood. “With the help of law enforcement around the country, we are going to continue doing all that we can to stop drunk driving and the needless tragedies that result from this reckless behavior.”

So, remember, don’t drink and drive this holiday weekend!

MDT Awarded Contracts for May and June and DBE participation:

Prime	Location	Project	DBE Participation
Century Companies Inc	Hammond – SE	NH 23-3(14)109	.27%
Frontier West LLC	Pipe Creek-4 M NW of Libby	BR 9027(33)	1.92%
H L Ostermiller Construction Inc	2002-Safety Impvmt-Billings	HSIP 1099(43)	8.38%
Knife River – Missoula	SF089 Flshr E Stevensville Stevensville-North	HSIP 203-1(18)1 STPS 203-1(20)0	3.46%
M K Weeden Construction Inc	SW of Savage-SW	MT-NH 20-2(24)25	0.00%
Penhall Company Inc – MN	Glendive-East & West (EB)	IM 94-6(51)210	.45%
Stillwater Excavating	Culvert E of Bighorn	IM 94-2(34)55	11.90%
Tamietti Construction Co	N Fk Musselshell-N Martinsdale	BR 9030(14)	3.70%
Wickens Construction Inc	Redstone-E & W	STPP 22-1(11)15	0.00%
Average Participation			.65 %

The Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) announces the following percentage for the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Annual Participation Goal (APG).

The *proposed* goal is:

5.57% overall
2.56% Race Conscious, 3.01% Race Neutral

The FFY11 goals have been developed based on data obtained in MDT’s Disparity and Availability Study, the most current bidder’s list and the current DBE usage.

MDT has filed information regarding the methodology used in the establishment of the APG with FHWA. This information is available for inspection at the MDT.

Keep in mind, this goal has not been approved by FHWA at this time.

Introducing...

Four new DBE Business Resource Centers (BRC’s) are open for business. Questions about what the DBE program can do for you call.



C2 Business Solutions
405 Main Street
Ronan, MT
Carol - 261-3200

War Shield
300 2nd Ave South, Ste 2
Great Falls, MT
Luke or James – 761-3377

Great Falls Development Authority
300 Central Ave
Great Falls, MT
Rebecca – 771-9032

Communication & Management Services
534 N Last Chance Gulch
Helena, MT
Jim - 442-4934

We still have funding available to pay for your MCA (Montana Contractor’s Assn) dues. This will help you with networking and meeting primes. Contact Shannon at 444-7287 if you are interested.

MDT Civil Rights Bureau Directory

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Does your business need some specialized training?

Have you heard about some great training opportunities?

If you need some training for your employees or you would like the DBE program to conduct training or consulting, contact Shannon at 444-7287 and she can set it up!

Meetings, Workshops, and Training Opportunities

September

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| <p>9/8 Communicating Effectively/Making an Impact
Missoula Area Economic Development, 1121 E
Broadway, Missoula
Presented by Donna Garnvik
9 am – 4 pm, lunch is provided
Cost: Free
RSVP: Shannon 444-7287</p> <p>9/8 How to Get Grants
First floor of the Granite Towner,
222 North 32nd St, Billings
Presented by Big Sky Economic Development
3 pm
Contact: Mary Lou at 256-6871 ext. 100</p> <p>9/13-14 Senator Baucus Hosts 5th Statewide Job Creation
Economic Summit
Montana Tech, Butte
Contact: Baucus' office at 1-800-332-6106</p> <p>9/14-15 2010 MEDA Fall Conference "Energizing Montana's
Economy"
Copper King Hotel, Butte
Contact: https://app.mt.gov/cgi-bin/confreg2/index.cgi?CONFERENCE_ID=423&ACTION=INTRO</p> | <p>9/20-21 Grants Training
Montana State University-Billings
9 am
Cost: \$425
Contact: Cathy Rittenhouse, 1-800-814-8191

http://grantwritingusa.com/grants-training/grant-writing-workshops/billings-montana-september-2010.html</p> <p>9/22 Boost Your Web Presence, Drive More Revenue
Seminar For Small Businesses
Marina Cay Resort, Bigfork
8:30 am
Contact: Prairie Lee at plee@techranch.org</p> <p>9/23 Communicating Effectively/Making an Impact
Hilton Garden Inn, 2465 Garden Inn, Billings
Presented by Donna Garnvik
9 am – 4 pm, lunch is provided
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RSVP: Shannon 444-7287</p> <p>9/23 Boost Your Web Presence, Drive More Revenue
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Frenchtown Fire Hall
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Mark Your Calendars