

## Small Business Procurement Advisory Council (SBPAC) Report to Congress for Fiscal Year 2022

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#### List of CFO Act Agencies

Department of State (State) Department of Treasury (Treasury) Department of Transportation (DOT) Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Department of Education (Education) Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) National Science Foundation (NSF) Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Social Security Administration (SSA)

#### Abbreviations

Advanced Acquisition Plan (AAP) Chief Business Operations Plan (BOP) Financial Officer (CFO) Contracting Officer (CO) Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Economically Disadvantaged Women-Owned Small Business (EDWOSB) Electronic Subcontracting Reporting System (eSRS) Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Federal Procurement Data System-Next Generation (FPDS-NG) Fiscal Year (FY) General Deputy Assistant Secretary (GDAS) Historically Underutilized Business Zone (HUBZone) Human Resources (HR) Information Technology (IT) Maritime Administration (MARAD) Mentor-Protégé Program (MPP) National American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Office of Acquisitions (OA) Office of Chief Procurement Officer (OCPO) Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Office of Small Business Programs (OSBP) Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU) Other Than Small Businesses (OTSBs) Point of Contact (POC) Private Collection Agencies (PCAs) Procurement Center Representative (PCR) Rapid Engineering and Construction (REC) Request for Proposal (RFP) Request for Quote (RFQ) Senior Executive Service (SES)

Senior Procurement Executive (SPE) Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business (SDVOSB) Simplified Acquisition Threshold (SAT) Small Business (SB) Small Business Customer Experience (SBCX) Small Disadvantaged Business (SDB) Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Total Contract Value (TCV) Vendor Outreach Session (VOS) Veteran-Owned Small Business (VOSB) Women-Owned Small Business (WOSB)

#### <u>Report</u>

The Small Business Procurement Advisory Council (SBPAC) was established by Section 7104(b) of the Federal Acquisition Streamlining Act of 1994 (15 U.S.C. 644 note). The SBPAC is required by Section 7104(b)(5) to submit an annual report to the Committee on Small Business of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship of the Senate. The annual report must include:

- Comments submitted by SBPAC members to appropriate regulatory authorities reflecting positions on proposed procurement regulations affecting the small business community during the 1-year period ending on the date on which the report is submitted, including any outcomes, related to the comments;
- Results of reviews of each Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU) established under Section 15(k) of the Small Business Act to determine the compliance of each Office with requirements under such section; and
- Best practices identified for maximizing small business utilization in Federal contracting that may be implemented by Federal agencies having procurement powers during such 1year period.

Regarding the first element, the SBPAC filed no regulatory comments during this fiscal year.

Regarding the second element, the SBPAC used SBA's FY2022 OSDBU Compliance Checklist (Figure 1) to conduct peer reviews of each OSDBU to determine their compliance with the requirements of Section 15(k) of the Small Business Act, 15 U.S.C. 644(k).

The Compliance Worksheet, Figure 1, requires each OSDBU Director to respond to each of the section 15(k) requirements in a "yes" or "no" question format. The OSDBU Directors can provide short responses along with any documentation they deem necessary in support of their answers.

The OSDBU director addresses 22 requirements in section 15(k), covering all 21 subparagraphs and the requirements of the introductory text. Each requirement has a point value of 0 for "No" and 1 for "Yes," except for section 15(k)(13), which is discretionary because the legislative text uses the word "may." If the OSDBU Director chooses not to respond to § 644(k)13, the question will not be scored and will not be counted in the grade. Section 15(k)(1) is allowed partial credit of 0.5 with appropriate explanation and documentation provided. Sections 15(k)(14) and 15(k)(17) relate to unsolicited proposals and can be awarded a 1-point value even if the OSDBU Director received no unsolicited proposals but had a policies and procedures is in place to satisfy the requirements.

The results of reviews of each agency OSDBU are summarized in Table 1. Agency responses on the checklist and the related SBPAC peer reviews of agency responses to 15 U.S.C. § 644(k) Compliance Checklist summary are provided in Figure 1. A Quick Reference Guide to 15 U.S.C. § 644(k) subsections are listed on page 6 of this report.

#### Summary of Table 2 Agency Best Practices Presentations

Regarding the third element of this report, 12 agencies shared their Best Practices at SBPAC meetings in FY22, as shown in Table 2 beginning on Page 8 of this report. Agencies discussed their best practices for training, assistance, and vendor outreach efforts.

	Requirement Title:	Statutory Reference:	<b>Did Agency Satisfy Requirement?</b> (Column responses auto-populate from completed compliance worksheet)
0)	Office and Director Experience	15(k)	00
1)	Director Title	15(k)1	00
2)	Compensation and Seniority	15(k)2	00
3)	Reporting (Head of Agency or Deputy Head)	15(k)3	00
4)	Implementation and Execution of Business Development and Federal Contracting Responsibilities of the Small Business Act	15(k)4	00
5)	Identify and Address Bundling of Contracts	15(k)5	00
6)	Provide Assistance on Payments	15(k)6	00
7)	Supervisory Authority	15(k)7	00
8)	Assign Small Business Technical Advisors	15(k)8	00
9)	OSDBU Cooperation and Consultation	15(k)9	00
10)	Recommendations to Contracting Officers	15(k)10	00
11)	Activity Conversion	15(k)11	00
12)	Advise CAO and SPE	15(k)12	00
13)	SBC and Contract Specialist Training	15(k)13	Optional (Not Mandatory) - 0.0
14)	Receive Unsolicited Proposals	15(k)14	00
15)	Exclusive Duties and Title	15(k)15	0.0
16)	Congressional Reporting	15(k)16	00
17)	Respond to Undue Restriction Notifications	15(k)17	00
18)	Purchase Card Summary Data Review	15(k)18	00
19)	Vendor Compliance Education and Training	15(k)20	00
20)	Subcontracting Plan Review	15(k)21	00_
21)	Assist Small Business concerns in SBIR or STTR program	15(k)22	00
		TOTAL:	+0.0

#### Figure 1. 15 U.S. Code § 644(k) FY 2022 Compliance Checklist

I,

\_\_\_\_\_, as the\_\_\_\_\_\_at

verify that this information is an accurate representation of my agency's

compliance in FY2022 with 15 U.S.C. § 644(k) and can, if requested, provide additional information to further corroborate responses.

Signature:\_\_\_\_\_

#### Small Business Procurement Advisory Committee 15 U.S.C. $\$ 644(k)

Compliance Version Reviewed: February 22, 2023

#### Table 1 FY 2022 OSDBU Compliance Review Summary Update both Tables with FY2022 Data

	Agency	15(k)0	15(k)1	15(k)2	15(k)3	15(k)4	15(k)5	15(k)6	15(k)7	15(k)8	15(k)9	15(k)10	15(k)11	15(k)12	15(k)13 (Optional)	15(k)14	15(k)15	15(k)16	15(k)17	15(k)18	15(k)19	15(k)20	15(k)21	SCORING TOTAL:	Weight Scorecard:
1	Department of Defense	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.4	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.2	20.6	93.6%
2	Department of Energy	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	22.0	100.0%
3	Department of Health and Human Services	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	22.0	100.0%
4	Department of Veterans Affairs	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	22.0	100.0%
5	National Aeronautics and Space Administration	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	22.0	100.0%
6	Department of Homeland Security	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	22.0	100.0%
7	General Services Administration	0.8	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	21.8	99.1%
8	Department of Agriculture	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	22.0	100.0%
9	Department of Justice	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	22.0	100.0%
10	Department of the Interior	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	22.0	100.0%
11	Department of State	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	22.0	100.0%
12	Department of Commerce	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	22.0	100.0%
13	Department of the Treasury	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	22.0	100.0%
14	Department of Transportation	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	22.0	100.0%
15	Office of Personnel Management	1.0	1.0	0.4	0.8	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.8	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	20.0	90.9%
16	Department of Labor	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	21.0	95.5%
17	Environmental Protection Agency	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	22.0	100.0%
18	Department of Education	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.4	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	21.4	97.3%
19	Department of Housing and Urban Development	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	22.0	100.0%
20	Social Security Administration	1.0	0.8	0.6	0.4	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.2	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	19.0	86.4%
21	Agency for International Development	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	22.0	100.0%
22	National Science Foundation	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	21.0	95.5%
23	Nuclear Regulatory Commission	0.2	0.8	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	19.0	86.4%
24	Small Business Administration	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.0	19.0	86.4%
	Government Total	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	21.4	97.1%

#### Quick Reference Guide for U.S.C. § 644(k) Subsections

(k) Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization; Director

There is hereby established in each Federal agency having procurement powers an office to be known as the "Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization". The management of each such office shall be vested in an officer or employee of such agency, with experience serving in any combination of the following roles: program manager, deputy program manager, or assistant program manager for Federal acquisition program; chief engineer, systems engineer, assistant engineer, or product support manager for Federal acquisition program; Federal contracting officer; small business technical advisor; contracts administrator for Federal Government contracts; attorney specializing in Federal procurement law; small business liaison officer; officer or employee who managed Federal Government contracts for a small business; or individual whose primary responsibilities were for the functions and duties of section 637, 644, 657a, 657f, or 657q of this title. Such officer or employee -

(0) shall be known as the "Director of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization" for such agency;

(1) shall be appointed by the head of such agency to a position that is a Senior Executive Service position (as such term is defined under section 3132(a) of title 5), except that, for any agency in which the positions of Chief Acquisition Officer and senior procurement executive (as such terms are defined under section 657q(a) of this title) are not Senior Executive Service positions, the Director of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization may be appointed to a position compensated at not less than the minimum rate of basic pay payable for grade GS–15 of the General Schedule under section 5332 of title 5 (including comparability payments under section 5304 of title 5);

(2) shall be responsible only to (including with respect to performance appraisals), and report directly and exclusively to, the head of such agency or to the deputy of such head, except that the Director for the Office of the Secretary of Defense shall be responsible only to (including with respect to performance appraisals), and report directly and exclusively to, such Secretary or the Secretary's designee;

(3) shall be responsible for the implementation and execution of the functions and duties under sections 637, 644, 657a, 657f, and 657q of this title which relate to such agency;

(4) shall identify proposed solicitations that involve significant bundling of contract requirements, and work with the agency acquisition officials and the Administration to revise the procurement strategies for such proposed solicitations where appropriate to increase the probability of participation by small businesses as prime contractors, or to facilitate small business participation as subcontractors and suppliers, if a solicitation for a bundled contract is to be issued;

(5) shall assist small business concerns to obtain payments, required late payment interest penalties, or information regarding payments due to such concerns from an executive agency or a contractor, in conformity with chapter 39 of title 31 or any other protection for contractors or subcontractors (including suppliers) that is included in the Federal Acquisition Regulation or any individual agency supplement to such Government-wide regulation,  $\frac{4}{2}$ 

(6) shall have supervisory authority over personnel of such agency to the extent that the functions and duties of such personnel relate to functions and duties under sections 637, 644, 657a, 657f, and 657q of this title;

(7) shall assign a small business technical adviser to each office to which the

Administration has assigned a procurement center representative-

- (A) who shall be a full-time employee of the procuring activity and shall be well qualified, technically trained and familiar with the supplies or services purchased at the activity; and
- (B) whose principal duty shall be to assist the Administration procurement center representative in his duties and functions relating to sections 637, 644, 657a, 657f, and 657q of this title<sup>4</sup>

(8) shall cooperate, and consult on a regular basis, with the Administration with respect to carrying out the functions and duties described in paragraph (4) of this subsection;

(9) shall make recommendations to contracting officers as to whether a particular contract requirement should be awarded pursuant to subsection (a) or section 637, 644, 657a, or 657f of this title, and the failure of the contracting officer to accept any such recommendations shall be documented and included within the appropriate contract file;

(10) shall review and advise such agency on any decision to convert an activity performed by a small business concern to an activity performed by a Federal employee;

(11) shall provide to the Chief Acquisition Officer and senior procurement executive of such agency advice and comments on acquisition strategies, market research, and justifications related to section 657q of this title;

(12) may provide training to small business concerns and contract specialists, except that such training may only be provided to the extent that the training does not interfere with the Director carrying out other responsibilities under this subsection;

(13) shall receive unsolicited proposals and, when appropriate, forward such proposals to personnel of the activity responsible for reviewing such proposals;

(14) shall carry out exclusively the duties enumerated in this chapter, and shall, while the Director, not hold any other title, position, or responsibility, except as necessary to carry out responsibilities under this subsection;

(15) shall submit, each fiscal year, to the Committee on Small Business of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship of the Senate a report describing-

(A) the training provided by the Director under paragraph (13) in the most recently completed fiscal year;

(B) the percentage of the budget of the Director used for such training in the most recently completed fiscal year;

(C) the percentage of the budget of the Director used for travel in the most recently completed fiscal year; and

(D) any failure of the agency to comply with section 637, 644, 657a, or 657f of this title;

(16) shall, when notified by a small business concern prior to the award of a contract that the small business concern believes that a solicitation, request for proposal, or request for quotation unduly restricts the ability of the small business concern to compete for the award-

(A) submit the notice of the small business concern to the contracting officer and, if necessary, recommend ways in which the solicitation, request for proposal, or request for quotation may be altered to increase the opportunity for competition;

(B) inform the advocate for competition of such agency (as established under section 1705 of title 41 or section 2318 of title 10) of such notice; and

(C) ensure that the small business concern is aware of other resources and processes available to address unduly restrictive provisions in a solicitation, request for proposal, or

request for quotation, even if such resources and processes are provided by such agency, the Administration, the Comptroller General, or a procurement technical assistance program established under chapter 142 of title 10;

(17) shall review summary data provided by purchase card issuers of purchases made by the agency greater than

(18) the micro-purchase threshold (as defined under section 1902 of title 41) and less than the simplified acquisition threshold to ensure that the purchases have been made in compliance with the provisions of this chapter and have been properly recorded in the Federal Procurement Data System, if the method of payment is a purchase card issued by the Department of Defense pursuant to section 2784 of title 10 or by the head of an executive agency pursuant to section 1909 of title 41;

(19) shall provide assistance to a small business concern awarded a contract or subcontract under this chapter or under title 10 or title 41 in finding resources for education and training on compliance with contracting regulations (including the Federal Acquisition Regulation) after award of such a contract or subcontract;

(20) shall review all subcontracting plans required by paragraph (4) or (5) of section 637(d) of this title to ensure that the plan provides maximum practicable opportunity for small business concerns to participate in the performance of the contract to which the plan applies;

(21) shall consult with the appropriate personnel from the relevant Federal agency to assist small business concerns participating in a SBIR or STTR program under section 638 of this title with researching applicable solicitations for the award of a Federal contract (particularly with the Federal agency that has a funding agreement, as defined under section 638 of this title, with the concern) to market the research developed by such concern under such SBIR or STTR program.

#### Table 2 Agency Best Practice Presentation Summary

AGENCY	PRESENTER	BEST PRACTICE(S)
AGENCY Department of State (STATE)	George Price, Director, OSDBU	<ul> <li>Challenges: Agency level - Increasing complexity of IT and cyber requirements; uneven knowledge of small business programs and requirements planning; unanticipated world events; and geographic dispersion of staff and work. OSDBU level – COVID/remote work; prioritizing limited resources; 50% senior staff turnover; and category management.</li> <li>Strategic Response: Engage program offices earlier in the acquisition process to influence better contracting results; recruit top talent and empower them; and pivot to virtual events.</li> <li>Big Wins: Publish Small Business Review decisions to public website; launched SharePoint portal to share policy documents, tools, and templates with acquisition and program corps; published guidance on small business reviews; implemented business operations plan (BOP); launched Rapid Engineering and Construction (REC) program w/Overseas Building Ops.</li> <li>Lessons Learned: Engage externally; consider innovative acquisition; and prioritize small business within mission.</li> <li>Initiatives: Small business participation plans pilot for unrestricted contracts; leading department equity working group on procurement; implementing quarterly socioeconomic category briefing updates; continued policy and process improvement of small business review</li> </ul>
Department of Treasury (TREASURY)	Donna Ragucci, Director, OSDBU	<ul> <li>workflow; and improving agency forecasting tool. Developed Policy Documents to implement consistent rules.</li> <li>Organization: The OSDBU Office is under the Deputy Secretary. There are 11 small business specialists.</li> <li>Strategic Plan: Completed establishing new model for innovation in support of Treasury requirements; strengthen Treasury's small business networks to expand and diversify the industrial base; and develop new areas of small business dominance. In progress – rebrand and modernize Treasury's OSDBU program.</li> <li>Best Practices: Meeting SB prime and subcontracting goals - training of acquisition workforce; vendor outreach sessions and stakeholder engagements; self-assessment compliance reviews; and aggressive communication from Deputy Secretary.</li> <li>Stakeholder engagements – revamped VOS and industry days; target firms with top 50 Treasury NAICS (new entrants); identify small business firms across socio-economic areas early in acquisition; and focused program office and forecasting. Annual small business compliance review – institutionalize small business compliance review – institutionalize small business compliance review program. Small business first and category management reforms – new policy and current policy reforms; small business specialist provide technical assistance; and increase subcontracting opportunities and subcontracting oversight.</li> </ul>

AGENCY	PRESENTER	BEST PRACTICE(S)
Department of Transportation (DOT)	Shelby Scales, Director, OSDBU	<ul> <li>Organization: Discussed DOT's mission, organization – 10 Operating Administrations, achievements, and Top Priorities.</li> <li>Challenges: Inclusion of FAA to SB goaling methodology; total spend increase from \$1.5B to \$7.4B; cultural change – project delivery/program objectives; impact on special appropriations – National Security Multi- Mission (MARAD), Great American Outdoors Act (FHWA); and shift in small business industrial base.</li> <li>Best Practices: Outreach – increased vendor outreach sessions/socioeconomic-specific events; industry days with matchmaking; DOT spend data tracking and monitoring. Leadership- full support from Secretary and Senior Leadership; weekly meetings with Secretary and DOT leadership; and strategy and collaboration meetings with SPEs. Modal Collaboration – brown bag sessions; support contracting officers in market research efforts; and coordination with FAA leadership and acquisition community.</li> <li>Oversight – weekly small business data analysis; monthly contract bundling and data quality reports; and monthly progress reports to OAs.</li> <li>Equity in Procurement: Equity Task Force; Strategies to increase small and minority participation; minority business tracking – dashboard; and targeted stakeholder engagement.</li> <li>Bipartisan Infrastructure Law: Grants to States, Transit and Airport Authorities; targeted outreach to DBEs and underserved communities; regional small business summit and matchmaking; and procurement forecast.</li> </ul>
Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)	Denise Benjamin- Sirmons, Director, OSDBU	<ul> <li>Organization: Discussed mission – protect human health and the environment; structure – 12 Headquarters program offices, 10 regional offices, 5 research centers, and various programs and regional laboratories. Discussed the OSDBU office profile.</li> <li>Strategic goals: Equip OSDBU workforce as professional cadre of small business experts; operate as a valued partner in carrying out EPA's mission; serve as an effective advocate and resource for small businesses; and continuously improve operational efficiency and effectiveness.</li> <li>Best Practices: Educate stakeholders by instituting quarterly eLearning Power hours, provide customized program and region briefings on contracting activities and small business strategies and leverage SBA's First Wednesday trainings. Maximize participation in third-party small business outreach events. Equip stakeholders with enhanced small business contracting dashboard, and collaborated on improving the acquisition forecast process. Deployed new vendor engagement tool for businesses to view calendar and register for events. Enhance utilization by establishing new EPA-wide small business goals and metrics as part of EPA's strategic plan implementation framework to hold agency officials accountable for enhancing small business goal achievements.</li> <li>Long-term strategic plan: By September 30, 2026 EPA will double the annual percentage of contract spend awarded to HUBZone businesses.</li> </ul>

AGENCY	PRESENTER	BEST PRACTICE(S)
Department of	Calvin Mitchell, Jr.	Organization: Discussed the mission, structure, and
Education	Director, OSDBU	spend of Education. There are nine program offices, four
(EDUCATION)		White House initiatives, and Operational offices. The
		total spend for FY20 was \$2.43B and FY21 was \$2.52B.
		Discussed the top ten NAICS codes and top program
		offices by contract spend.
		<b>OSDBU Priorities:</b> Achieve small business goals; reach
		Education's goals for small business concerns; maximize
		small business contracting; leverage new and existing
		internal partnerships to reach small business goals;
		promote equity in Federal procurement; and increase SB
		supplier base in Education.
		Challenges: Limited awareness or understanding of SB
		programs in program offices; continuing struggle to
		reach both SDVOSB and HUBZone contracting goals;
		technology, processing and engagement have been
		consolidated, creating barriers for SB participation; FSA
		modernization reduced Private Collection Agencies
		(PCAs); and consolidation of requirements for actions in
		larger program offices.
		Best Practices: Improve Education's SB practices;
		increase meaningful and extensive in-reach training; and
		extend Outreach to and for SB base.
		Promising Practices: Working with larger POCs to
		diversify contractors in order to utilize more SB; focus
		on minimizing consolidation and bundling to create
		more opportunities for SB. Provide training on market
		research; and created train the trainer program on SB
		fundamentals and market research. Deployed SBCX;
		extended training to SB on creating strong SBCX
		profiles; and increase use of reverse industry days to
		bolster knowledge of SB capabilities within internal
		staff.

AGENCY	PRESENTER	BEST PRACTICE(S)
Department of	Jean Lin Pao, Director,	Organization: Discussed the mission, structure and FY22 budget
Housing and Urban	OSDBU	of HUD. There are ten Regional Offices and 54 Field Offices.
Development (HUD)		Listed top ten NAICS codes for FY2021.
		Leadership: Access to HUD Leadership - Bi-weekly meetings with
		Deputy Secretary; GDAS and Operations; and CPO and OSDBU.
		Fostering Organizational Climate for SB – Secretary's SB policy
		statement; joint CPO and OSDBU Director's fiscal year SB memo;
		SB performance goal for all HUD Executives; and strategies for
		strengthening market research and vendor outreach events.
		Promotion of collaborative working relationships – utilization of
		automated procurement system; annual strategic acquisition plan
		submission development process; and OSDBU participation in
		integrated acquisition teams.
		<b>Challenges:</b> Impact of deobligations on reporting of small business
		goal achievement; White House Directives on procurement equity –
		procurement action team, SES performance goal, and SDB
		inaugural outreach convening; SB dashboard; and staffing.
		Outreach: December 2021 - HUD IT industry day; February
		2022 - inaugural small disadvantaged business; March 2022 -
		women-owned small business; May 2022 – HUBZone small
		business; July 2022 – service-disabled veteran-owned small
		business. Workshops – HUD virtual matchmaking; and Live Chat
		with HUD's OSDBU.
Department of	Shannon Jackson, Director,	HHS Overall Small Business Performance: Discussed SB
Health and	OSDBU	spend compared total spend; the focus on HUBZone and
Human		SDVOSB firms; and SAT small business spend compared to
Services (HHS)		total SAT spend.
Services (IIIIS)		<b>OSDBU Priorities:</b> Emphasize department-wide utilization of
		small business customer experience forecasting tool; improve
		HS OSDBU SB prime contracts performance in the following
		socioeconomic categories – HUBZone and SDVOSB; and
		modernize the SB industrial base to create more reliable
		supply chain to address future pandemics.
		<b>SDB Alliance Leadership:</b> Created in response to Executive
		Orders 13985; 14001; and 14036. Purpose is to address
		barriers to SDB firms, provide recommendations, and promote
		utilization of SDB firms. Goals – Educate SDBs on how to do
		business with HHS; educate HHS acquisition professionals on
		SDBs; foster relationships with SDBs and HHS primes; and
		recognize SDBs for work they have done and past
		performance with HHS.
		Outreach: Office Hours address questions, comments,
		concerns of SB looking to do business with HHS; HHS first
		time awardees office hours; and OSDBU annual national small
		business conference.
		Next Steps: Coordinate targeted outreach events focusing on
		HUBZone and SDVOSB; conduct targeted training; and
		conduct targeted program management reviews on small
		business opportunities.
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AGENCY	PRESENTER	BEST PRACTICE(S)
National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)	Glenn Delgado, Associate Administrator, OSBP	Organization: Discussed OSDBU organizational chart with the Centers. Discussed the Prime, Subcontracting, SB, and Total Spend. Best Practices: Templates for consolidation and bundling Determination and Findings; OSBP provides training on consolidation and bundling to contracting officers. NASA's active contract listings, acquisition forecast; sample active contract listings; total contract value method for subcontracting goals and recommending subcontracting goals as a percent of TCV published in solicitations; and NASA Center Industry Councils. The industry councils are independent membership organizations that assist vendors in effectively penetrating the marketplace at the respective agency center. Learning series is a series of webinars with in-depth training relevant to small businesses. Vendor database open to all employees as well as vendors, both large and small, who want to do business with NASA. Developed a social media strategy; identify campaigns that support OSBP mission, programs, and initiatives; build relationships with internal/external partners; and identify key audiences.
National Science Foundation (NSF)	Francine Morris, Deputy Director, OSDBU	<b>Organization:</b> Discussed the mission and organization of NSF. Funds research in all 50 states and fosters international scientific collaboration on all seven continents; supports 27% of all federally funded academic research at U.S. colleges and universities. The budget is \$8.8B – 93% allocated to grants and awards to support research projects, facilities, and STEM education. Discussed the spend for Antarctic and Arctic support; science and engineering statistical support; information and resource management support services and products; financial management support. <b>Best Practices:</b> collaborative relationship between OSDBU and contracts branch; own and manage the NSF acquisition forecast; OSDBU/Program Office engagement form; facilitate meet and greet between industry and program offices; collaborative relationship with OMB, SBA and other government agencies; and OSDBU star award and spotlight recognition. <b>Outreach:</b> Internal OSDBU webpage has information on acquisition planning; goal corner; acquisition forecast; training/resources; and outreach activities. External OSDBU webpage has information on doing business with NSF; small business outreach, and NSF acquisition forecast. Discussed revamping technological infrastructure in the future of the OSDBU office.

AGENCY	PRESENTER	BEST PRACTICE(S)
AGENCY Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC)	PRESENTER Anthony Briggs, Program Manager	<ul> <li>Organization: Discussed the mission is to protect the safety and health of the public and environment through the regulation of nuclear materials. Discussed the six locations across the country, which includes four regional sites and the technical training center; and what they buy.</li> <li>Best Practices: Discussed they offer four primary services to their external customers that are businesses the agency works with, which are providing counseling sessions, marketing assistance, resources, and dedicated helpdesk; small business counseling sessions which are virtual and include matching companies' capabilities with agency prime and subcontract opportunities; marketing products and services are innovative and new to record virtual demos and teams in the planning to create an agency innovation channel for agency officials to view on demand; creation of a small business toolbox to help companies effectively and efficiently identify prime and subcontract opportunities with dedicated helpdesk support;</li> </ul>
		forecast shows current year opportunities and current contracts listing allowing businesses to look for follow on opportunities up to five years out and subcontracting opportunities; and the bulletin board for postings under \$25,000. <b>Outreach:</b> Host NRC sponsored events; participate in procurement events; and co-develop NRC's small business training course. <b>Results:</b> Scorecard grade of A or higher for 10 years; doubled the goal for SDBs, WOSBs, SDVOSBs, and HUBZones; and more than 50% of contract awards made to small businesses.
Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)	Sharon Ridley, Executive Director, OSDBU	<ul> <li>Organization: Discussed the mission; OSDBU core program areas; and senior leadership support for small business and socioeconomic contracting goals.</li> <li>Vets First Contracting Program: Discussed this program establishes a procurement hierarchy where SDVOSB and VOSB set-asides must be considered before other programs; offerors must be verified SDVOSBs or VOSBs to compete; VA has department-specific goals for SDVOSBs and VOSBs (15% and 17% respectively in FY2021). The OSDBU reports to the VA Operations Board on the usage of this program; the metrics calculates percentage of new award decisions are conducted as set-asides or sole-sources for SDVOSBs or VOSBs; FY 2021 – 43,460 new award decisions with 7,492 (17.2%) were Vets First actions</li> <li>Best Practices: Organized structured events to provide VOSBs and other firms access to meaningful insight about procurement opportunities; improved VA's Market Research toolkit data analytics leading to better acquisition outcomes; and launched the Women Veteran-Owned Small Business Initiative, a first-of-its-kind program aimed at increasing WOSB participation in Federal and commercial procurements, with special focus on Women Veterans.</li> </ul>

AGENCY	PRESENTER	BEST PRACTICE(S)
Social Security	Leslie Ford, Director, OSDBU	Organization: Discussed the mission, structure and FY22 budget
Administration (SSA)		of SSA. There are ten Regional Offices; eight processing centers
		and 1,230 Field Offices. Listed top ten NAICS codes for FY2021.
		Small Business Achievements: Discussed 30.1% of FY2021
		obligations went to small businesses. Discussed what the agency buys
		with the majority being IT; open market acquisition over the SAT
		(including options) that requires OSDBU review requires documentation
		it was synopsized as a sources sought within the last eight months, which
		includes copy of the sources sought, list all vendors responding to the
		sources sought, determination for each whether they are capable of
		performing the work, if not include why they are not capable; and assists
		COs with the rule of two determination. Discussed the different
		Acquisition Team Workshops and the training provided including market
		research, socioeconomic programs, and subcontracting program.
		Other Best Practices: Monthly Vendor Outreach sessions and
		Outreach via Webinars; Bi-weekly staff meetings with the
		Commissioner; Quarterly Dashboard report of Small Business
		Goals Performance to Senior Executives; SADBUS conducted
		training on small business programs; presentation at quarterly CO
		forums on any changes to small business programs; and Annual
		Small Business Conference.

# ENCLOSURES

### ENCLOSURE 1 Department of State (STATE)



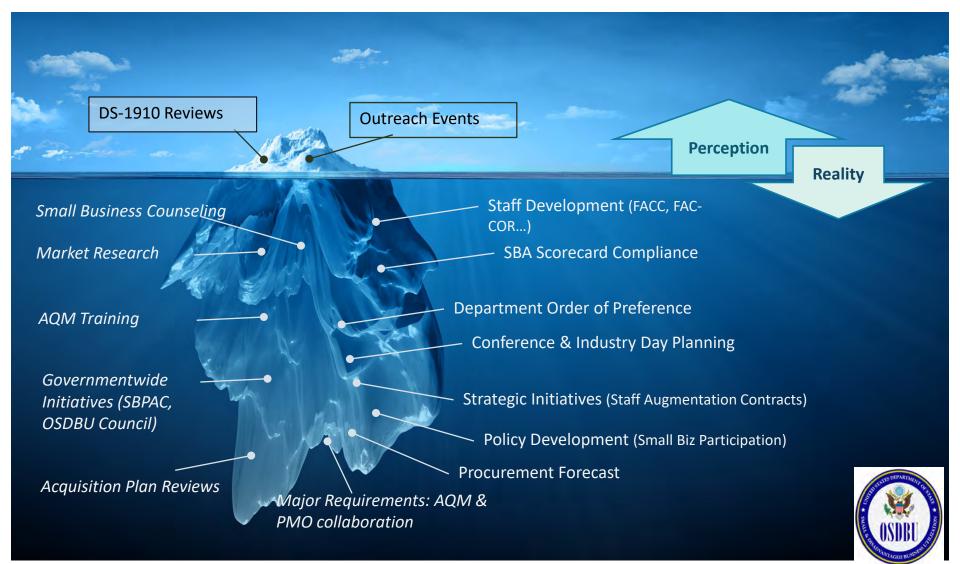


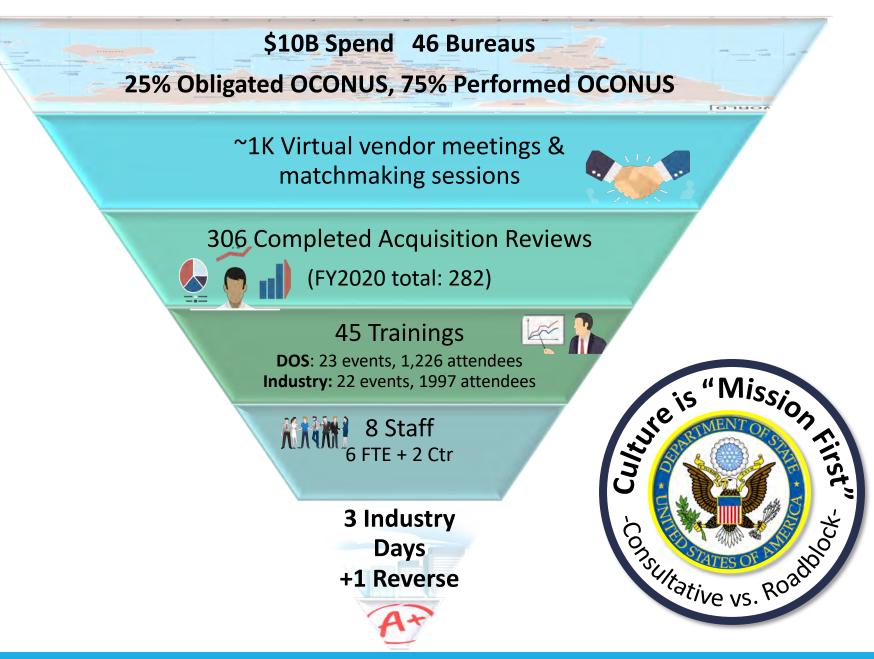
# Best Practices Briefing for SBPAC

George Price, Director Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU)

October 2021

## DoS OSDBU Workload





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## Biggest Challenges Past 3 Years

#### **Agency Level**

- Administration, Department Acquisition leadership change
- Increasing complexity of IT & cyber requirements
- Uneven knowledge of small business programs and requirements planning
- Unanticipated world events
- Geographic dispersion of staff and work

#### **OSDBU Level**

- COVID/remote work
- Prioritizing limited resources
- 50% Senior staff turnover (retirement)
- Category management

## Strategic Response to Challenges

- 1. Engage program offices earlier in the acquisition process to influence better contracting results
  - Acquisition planning & requirement definition
  - SSN vs RFI development
  - Market research assistance
  - Relationship and rapport building creates trust, collaboration
- 2. Recruit top talent & Empower them
  - Build processes, expand capacity, and prepare for the future
  - Each Analyst responsible for 1 socioeconomic category, 1 event, 2 trainings
  - Staff interests, strengths lead initiatives (policy, analytics)
  - Invest in staff development (FACC Cert, FAC-COR, Leadership, PM, IT)
- 3. Pivot to virtual events
  - Engage industry partners to leverage outreach, technology
  - Result in broader geographic impact, reducing small business cost/barriers

## Big Wins

#### A+ SBA Scorecard

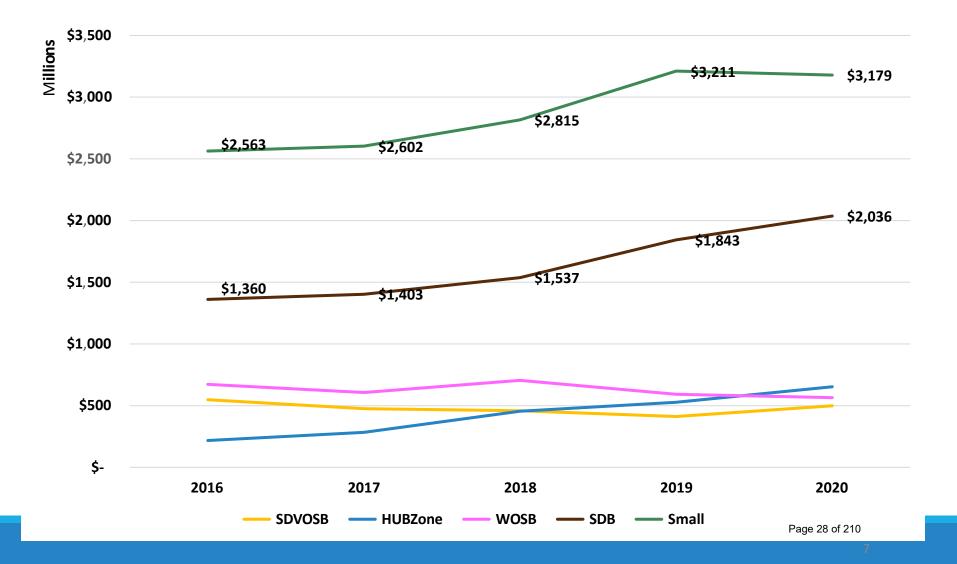
Publish Small Business Review "DS-1910" decisions to public website Launched SharePoint portal to share policy documents, tools, templates with acquisition & program corps

Focus on Staff Development: Leadership, Analytics, FAC-C, FAC-COR Published Guidance on Small Business Reviews & Market Research Best Practices Collaborated with Contracting on revised Quality Assurance Plan for OSDBU engagement

Implemented Business Operations Plan (BOP) with SBA PCR Launched **Rapid** Engineering & Construction (REC) program w/ Overseas Building Ops.

Successfully onboarded 2 Fed Staff, 2 contractors with 100% telework

# Results: \$600M Annual Increase to Small Business

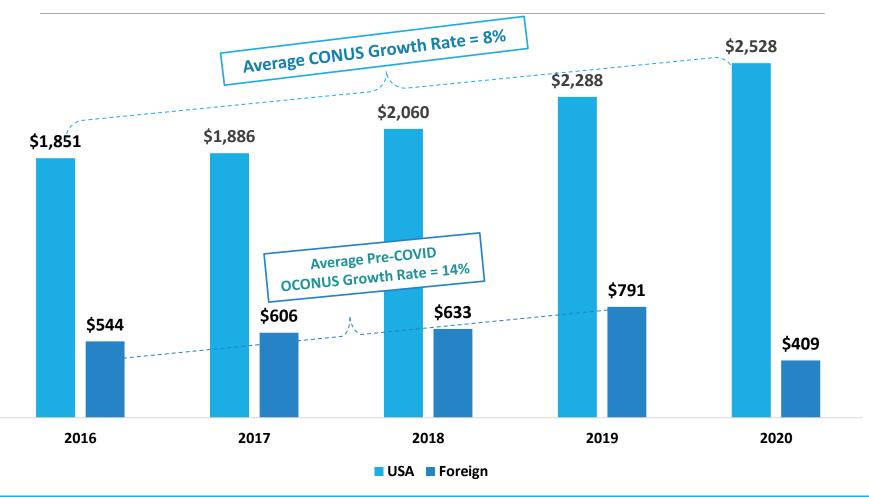


## Results: Growth in overseas \$ to SBCs

Small Business Spend Totals, FY2017-2020

(\$M) By Place of Performance

**Overall average Growth Rate Pre-Covid: 9%** 



# Recent Success Story



Light construction contracts, in collaboration with the Bureau of Overseas Buildings Operations (OBO)

- IDIQ with 30 8(a) firms
- Rapidly creating capability to deliver in austere environments
- Developing a stable of 8(a) firms for complex construction work
- 17 awards to participating firms
- Award value in excess of \$100 million

## Lessons Learned

#### **Recognize Achievement**

- "Small Business Champion of the Year" CO award
- OSDBU "spotlight" article in State Dept Magazine
- Staff Development is a Management Priority

#### **Engage Externally**

- Government
  - $\circ$  Active on SBPAC, OSDBU Council
  - $\circ$  Proactively team w/ GSA, SBA in advance of acquisition
- Industry
  - Partner to leverage resources (tech, people, co-promote)
     Solicit RFI, SSN responses and Q&A

#### **Consider Innovative Acquisition**

- USDS pilot 8(a) award "Robotic Process Automation"; followed w/successful small business RFP
- REC Program helps onboard 8(a) construction vendors
- Leverage socioeconomic IDIQs for "quick hit," strategic wins

#### Prioritize Small Biz Within Mission

- Earlier involvement in acquisition planning allows maximum input, small business engagement, impact
- OSDBU is the strongest advocate when collaborating with program owners, COs
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## Down the Road

**Category Management**: declining number of unique small business vendors

**Equity EO** implementation creating ambitious near-term goal changes without resources to implement

Leadership changes will erode institutional knowledge, stakeholder rapport

**Cyber security** requirements will create compliance challenges for small business



"Small Business Participation" plans pilot for Unrestricted contracts



Leading Department "Equity EO" Working Group on procurement



Implementing quarterly Socioeconomic Category briefing updates

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Continued policy & process improvement of Small Business Review workflow

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Improving Agency Forecasting Tool

Initiatives

## backup

Developed Policy Documents To Implement Consistent Rules **OSDBU** Guidebook

Market Research Guide

Small Business Review Process Memo

Small Business Participation Plan: Template Language

DOSAR (FAR Supplement) Updates

SBA PCR Small Business Review Memo

QAP [OSDBU input]: Review / clearance paths defined

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### ENCLOSURE 2 Department of Treasury (TREASURY)

# The Department of the Treasury Office of the Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization Best Practices

# November 16, 2021





### **Mission of the Treasury**

Treasury encourages growth through the use of small businesses to achieve its mission



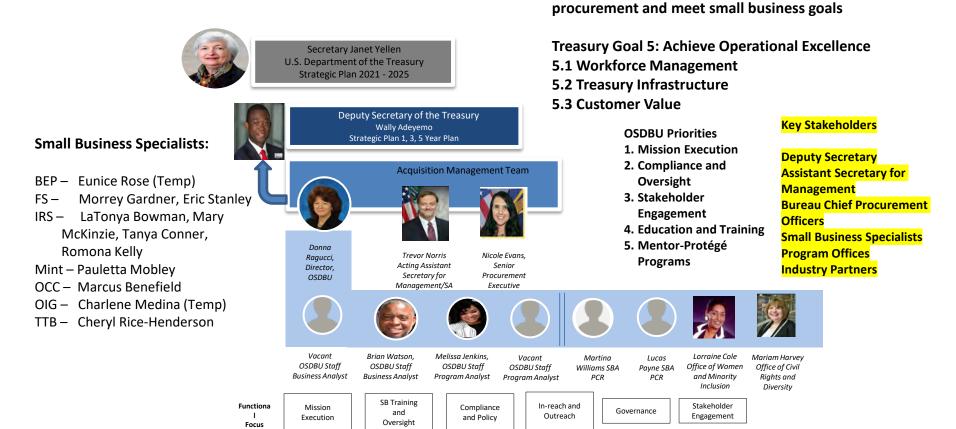
Acts as the steward of the U.S. economic and financial systems An executive level agency that is responsible for promoting economic prosperity and ensuring the financial security of the United States.

**OSDBU mission:** To advocate for and provide to the Small Business Community maximum practicable opportunities to participate in Treasury contracts and to aid, advise, and counsel Treasury Senior Leaders on Small Business matters

Transforming the Economy One Small Business at a Time



#### Office of the Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization -Leadership Treasury Goal 1: Economic Growth and Prosperity 1.3E. Increase service providers in Treasury



Treasury OSDBU C.A.R.E.S.: <u>Committed to A</u>chievable <u>Results with Equity to </u>Small Business



Office of the Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization Fiscal Year (FY) 2019 - 2022 Strategic Plan





#### Department of the Treasury Office of the Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization FY 2021 Small Business Goal Performance

Total Eligible SB dollars obligated as of 30 September 2021: \$9,381,017,698 Forecasted FY2021: \$4,096,603,230 (229% obligated) Total Eligible SB dollars obligated for same date FY 2020: \$6,442,682,174 Obligated: \$6,451,995,986 (99.86% obligated same date)

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## Office of the Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization Best Practice#1: Meeting SB Prime and Subcontracting Goals

- 1. Through Constant Training the Acquisition Workforce
- 2. Through Vendor Outreach Sessions and Stakeholder Engagements
- 3. Through Self-assessment Compliance Reviews
- 4. Aggressive Communication from Deputy Secretary









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## Office of the Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization Best Practice #2 – Stakeholder Engagements

## Policy

"To provide maximum practicable opportunities in its acquisitions to small business, service-disabled veteran-owned small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business concerns. Such concerns are also provided maximum practicable opportunity to participate as subcontractors in the contracts awarded by Treasury."

## **Revamped VOS and Industry Days**

- ✓ Target Firms with Top 50 Treasury NAICS (new entrants)
- ✓ Identify small business firms across socio-economic areas early in acquisition
- ✓ Focused program office and forecasting

In fact, over 70 small businesses have attained their first ever Treasury contract by participating in these meaningful engagements.



Office of the Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization Programs Best Practice #3– Annual Small Business Compliance Review Institutionalize Treasury's Small Business Compliance Review Program, provide quality deliverables to it's customers and key stakeholders, and provide a reasonable service to taxpayers. FAR 19.402(c)(III) 5.

- Small Business and Acquisition programs are in compliance with Federal and small business law, rules and regulations
  - ✓ FY 18 2020 focus: Design and structure the SB review program, Implement Treasury's Small Business Review Program, Conduct surveillance reviews, Redesign SB review program to accommodate Treasury Bureaus, Review status of PCA's and Review new items
  - ✓ FY 2021 and beyond: Design and validate Bureau selfassessment compliance program
  - ✓ Coordination with Office of Procurement Executive



Office of the Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization Best Practice #4 Small Business First and Category Management Reforms

Protect and Defend the Integrity of the Treasury OSDBU and it's Small Business Programs from public scrutiny, waste, fraud and abuse and provide quality deliverables to its customers and key stakeholders. GPRA Section 2(a)(1)

- ✓ New policies and current policy reforms
- Small Business Specialist provide technical assistance
- Increase subcontracting opportunities and subcontracting oversight



### Office of the Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization

# **Questions?**



## ENCLOSURE 3 Department of Transportation (DOT)



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## **Best Practices Briefing**

## Shelby M. Scales, Director OSDBU

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- OVERVIEW
- GOALS & ACHIEVEMENTS
- BEST PRACTICES
- EQUITY IN PROCUREMENT
- BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW (BIL)

# Organization

- Secretary Buttigieg's Top Priorities Safety, Innovation and Infrastructure
- 10 Operating Administrations (OA)
- Different mission based on industry focus
- DOT employs 55,000 people across the country
- OSDBU Director Member of Secretary's Executive Team
- Support DOT's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise
   program



### **Our mission**

#### DOT

✓ Ensure our nation has the safest, most efficient and modern transportation system in the world; that improves the quality of life for all American people and communities, from rural to urban, and increases the productivity and competitiveness of American workers and businesses.

#### **TOP PRIORITIES**

✓ Keep the traveling public safe and secure, increase their mobility, and have our transportation system contribute to the nation's economic growth.

#### **OSDBU**

- ✓ Ensure Small Business policies and goals of the Secretary of Transportation are implemented in a fair, efficient and effective manner.
- ✓ Ensure that small businesses have an equitable opportunity to participate in DOT's direct procurement and federal financial assistance programs.



## **Operating Administrations**

- Office of the Secretary
- Federal Aviation Administration
- Federal Highway Administration
- National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
- Federal Railroad Administration
- Federal Transit Administration
- Maritime Administration
- Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration
- Pipeline Hazardous Materials Safety Administration
- Great Lakes Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation



- OSDBU Director prioritizes and coordinates with DOT Operating Administrations and acquisition community the implementation of Small Business Act requirements
- Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) & Airport Concessions DBE Program
  - FHWA, FTA and FAA
  - Goals set at grantee level
  - Project specific goals
- Procurement Assistance Division
  - Assist OSDBU Director in the implementation of Small Business Act
  - Lead OSDBU Outreach efforts
  - Procurement Forecast
  - Mentor Protégé program
  - Connections Marketplace (New)
- Regional Assistance Division
  - Small Business Transportation Resource Centers
  - Bonding Education Program
  - Regional Small Business Summits (New)

## Small Business Transportation Resource Centers (SBTRC)

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- Network of grantees (11)
- Technical assistance
- Capacity building
- Bonding Education Program
- Access to Capital
- Women in Transportation Internship (WITI) program
- Support Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program





Socioeconomic	Goal	Achievement
Small Business (SB)	32.25%	34.05%
Woman-Owned Small Business (WOSB)	5%	8.29%
Small Disadvantaged Business (SDB)	5%	19.31%
Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business (SDVOSB)	3%	3.76%
HubZone	3%	3.41%

\*SOURCE: FY2020 SBA SCORECARD

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### FY2020 MODAL ADMINISTRATION PERFORMANCE

#### MODAL ADMINISTRATIONS

	Total Small I	Business Eligible		SB %
		ollars Y2020	siness Dollars Y2020	FY2020
Goal				32.25%
FAA	\$	4,915,396,386	\$ 1,443,395,148	29.36%
FHWA	\$	919,038,713	\$ 546,812,347	59.50%
VOLPE	\$	114,988,837	\$ 45,220,140	39.33%
OST	\$	114,296,839	\$ 62,069,477	54.31%
MARAD	\$	785,737,288	\$ 70,600,728	8.99%
NHTSA	\$	240,066,152	\$ 185,500,378	77.27%
FTA	\$	101,607,311	\$ 50,571,667	49.77%
FRA	\$	75,429,107	\$ 36,175,416	47.96%
FMCSA	\$	49,201,758	\$ 36,127,941	73.43%
PHMSA	\$	47,749,533	\$ 20,515,388	42.96%
GLSDC	\$	16,103,554	\$ 14,250,513	88.49%
Total, DOT	\$	7,379,615,478	\$ 2,511,239,143	34.03%

### FY20 TOP 10 NAICS CODES

6 Digit NAICS Code (Description)	Total Dollars
541330 (ENGINEERING SERVICES)	\$1,314,399,218.80
336611 (SHIP BUILDING AND REPAIRING)	\$685,630,119.19
541512 (COMPUTER SYSTEMS DESIGN SERVICES)	\$492,430,504.82
237310 (HIGHWAY, STREET, AND BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION)	\$491,623,246.07
541519 (OTHER COMPUTER RELATED SERVICES)	\$467,496,171.43
483111 (DEEP SEA FREIGHT TRANSPORTATION)	\$367,202,309. 38
517310 (TELECOMMUNICATIONS RESELLERS)	\$364,026,435.74
541611 (ADMINISTRATIVE MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL MANAGEMENT CONSULTING SERVICES)	\$342,984,006.26
48811 (AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL)	\$291,720,454.26
334511 (SEARCH, DETECTION, NAVIGATION, GUIDANCE, AERONAUTICAL, AND NAUTICAL SYSTEM AND INSTRUMENT MANUFACTURING)	\$259,319,336.24



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- Challenges
  - Inclusion of Federal Aviation Administration to SB Goaling Methodology
  - Total spend increase from \$1.5 B to \$7.4 B
  - Cultural change project delivery/program objectives
  - Impact on Special appropriations
    - National Security Multi-Mission Vessel (MARAD)
    - Great American Outdoors Act (FHWA)
  - Shift in SB Industrial base





## **BEST PRACTICES - OUTREACH**

#### OUTREACH

- Increased Vendor Outreach Sessions/Socioeconomic specific events and webinars
- Industry days with Matchmaking sessions
- Capacity Building sessions
  - Bonding & Access to Capital (22)
- Interagency collaboration (Thanks to fellow OSDBU Directors)
- Procurement Forecast capabilities
- Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) program office coordination
- Increased stakeholder collaboration
- HBCU/MSIs
- DOT spend data tracking and monitoring

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## **BEST PRACTICES - LEADERSHIP**

#### LEADERSHIP

- Full support from Secretary and Senior Leadership
- OSDBU Director is part of the Secretary's Executive Team
- Weekly meetings with Secretary and DOT Leadership
- Monthly meetings with Acquisition Strategy Resource Board (ASRB), Category Management Implementation Group (CMIG), Category Management Executive Steering Committee (New) and Strategic Acquisition Council (SAC)
- Strategy and collaboration meetings with Senior Procurement Executive



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## **BEST PRACTICES – MODAL COLLABORATION**

- Coordinate modal specific outreach activities
- Brown bag sessions
- Support Contracting Officers in market research efforts
- One-on-One meetings with Modal Administration Acquisition Directors
- OSDBU Director participates in Acquisition Strategy Resource Board (ASRB), Category Management Implementation Group (CMIG) and Strategic Acquisition Council (SAC)
- Coordination with FAA Leadership and Acquisition community

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- Weekly small business achievement data analysis
- Monthly Contract Bundling and Data Quality reports
- Communication with DOT prime contractors
- Monthly progress reports to OAs
- Industry analysis (i.e. underperforming modal administrations)
- SB Achievement discussions with Modal Administration Leadership
- Below Simplified Acquisition Threshold (SAT) assessment

## **EQUITY IN PROCUREMENT**

- Equity Task Force
- OSDBU Director Co-Lead Economic Justice Workstream
  - Procurement
  - Business enterprises (External)
- Secretarial approval to White Paper Strategies to Increase Small and Minority Participation
- Minority Business Tracking Dashboard
- Targeted stakeholder engagement
- Included SB procurement equity performance measure in the DOT Annual Performance Plans
- Inclusion of WOSB, EDWOSB, HubZone and SDB set asides to FAA's Acquisition Management System

## **BIPARTISAN INSFRASTRUCTURE LAW (BIL)**

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### Top areas of investment:

Roads, Bridges, and Major Projects \$110 Billion	<b>Transportation</b> <b>Safety</b> \$11 Billion	
<b>Public Transit</b> \$89.9 Billion	Passenger and Freight Rail \$66 Billion	
Electric Vehicles and Buses \$15 Billion	<b>Airports, Ports, and Waterways</b> \$42 Billion	



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## **BIPARTISAN INSFRASTRUCTURE LAW (BIL)**

- Grants to States, Transit and Airport Authorities
- Targeted outreach to DBEs and underserved communities
- Capacity Building
- Regional Small Business Summit & Matchmaking
- Contract opportunities (Next 5 Years)
  - FAA \$5B Air Traffic Facilities
  - DOT-wide \$1B Contract support
- One-DOT approach Coordination OSDBU, DOCR and OSDBU
- Procurement Forecast
- Strategic stakeholder engagement
  - Federal agencies (SBA, EDA, MBDA +BIL)
  - Trade Associations, Chambers of Commerce
  - Industry

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# **QUESTIONS?**



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# ENCLOSURE 4 Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)



## U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY Small Business Procurement Advisory Council Best Practices Briefing



Denise Benjamin Sirmons, Director Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization January 25, 2022



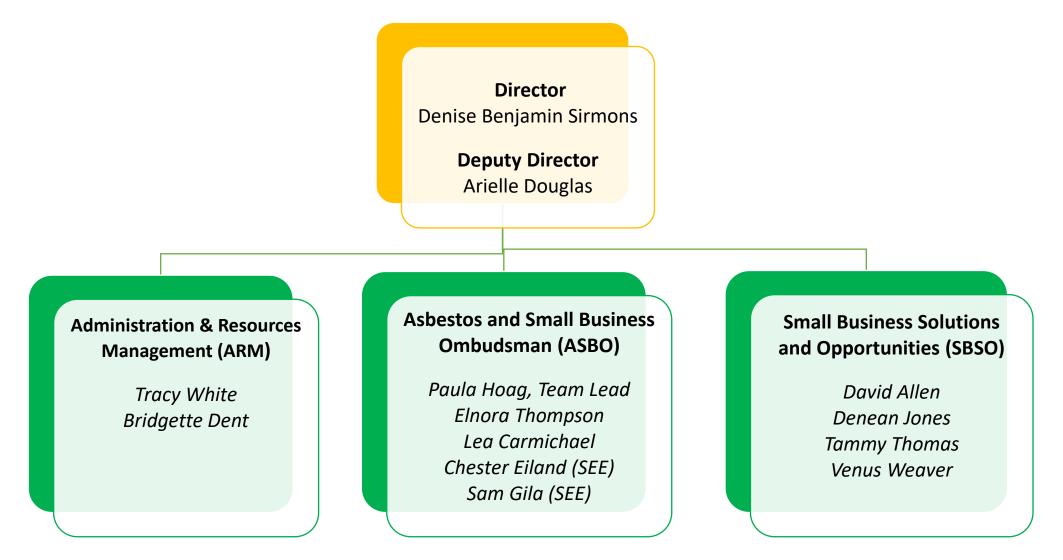
# Discussion

- Agency Profile
- OSDBU Profile
- Contracting Activity
- Best Practices
- Promising Practices

# **Agency Profile**

	Mission	<ul> <li>Protect Human Health and the Environment</li> </ul>
	Structure	<ul> <li>12 Headquarters Program Offices</li> <li>10 Regional Offices</li> <li>5 Research Centers</li> <li>Various Program and Regional Laboratories</li> </ul>
000	Budget	<ul> <li>Annual Enacted Budget Roughly \$9B</li> <li>Infrastructure Appropriations over 5 years is \$60B</li> <li>Workforce of About 14,690</li> <li>Contract Spend Averages \$1.6B</li> <li>Financial Assistance Averages Over \$4B</li> </ul>
	Culture	<ul> <li>Mission Driven</li> <li>Collaborative</li> <li>Scientific/Data Focused</li> </ul>

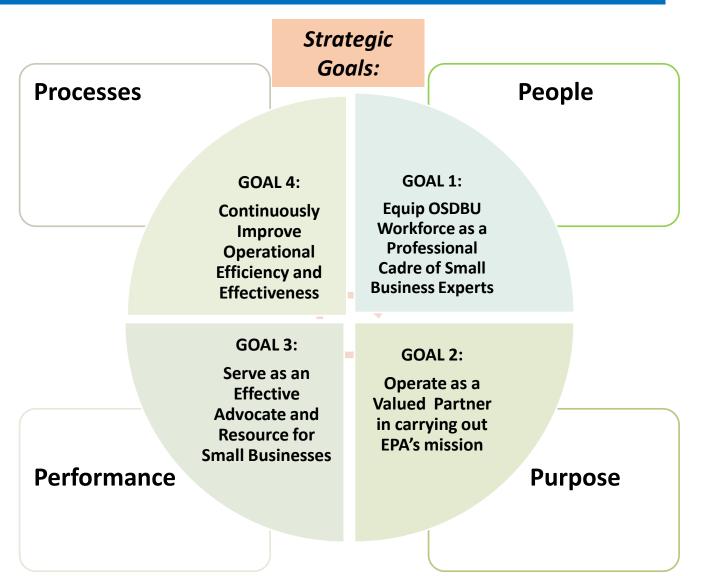
# **OSDBU** Profile



## **OSDBU Profile**

Mission: Support the protection of human health and the environment by advancing the business, regulatory, and environmental compliance concerns of small businesses

Vision: Small Business First



## **Small Business Contracting Activity**

	Fiscal Year	Small Business		Small Disadvantaged Business		Woman-Owned Small Business		HUBZone Small Business		Service-Disabled Veteran- Owned Small Business	
	Ical	Goal	Achievement	Goal	Achievement	Goal	Achievement	Goal	Achievement	Goal	Achievement
	2012	42.00%	44.02%	5%	15.70%	5%	6.02%	3%	2.53%	3%	6.68%
	2013	42.26%	42.00%	5%	14.79%	5%	5.75%	3%	2.69%	3%	3.58%
	2014	42.15%	40.08%	5%	15.70%	5%	5.87%	3%	1.93%	3%	5.29%
	2015	40.0%	39.93%	5%	15.22%	5%	7.08%	3%	1.34%	3%	4.36%
	2016	41.75%	39.65%	5%	14.78%	5%	5.88%	3%	.61%	3%	3.96%
	2017	40.00%	40.05%	5%	15.26%	5%	6.31%	3%	1.63%	3%	3.78%
	2018	39.00%	43.35%	5%	15.22%	5%	5.44%	3%	2.40%	3%	4.78%
	2019	39.90%	42.13%	5%	14.83%	5%	4.97%	3%	1.76%	3%	3.95%
	2020	35%	39.50%	5%	18.04%	5%	547%	3%	2.02%	3%	2.96
1	2021 (Provisional)	37%	44.5%	5%	18.1%	5%	7.36%	3%	4.96%	3.%	3.76

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## **Best Practices**



on small business contracting requirements



with effective resources and valueadded OSDBU services Enhance

small and socioeconomic business contracting opportunities

## **EDUCATE Stakeholders**

#### In-Reach

- Instituted new quarterly eLearning Power Hours, including a dedicated Category Management session
- Continue to provide senior leadership briefings on requirements and responsibilities
- Provide customized Program and Region briefings on contracting activities and small business strategies
- Publish a quarterly OSDBU eNews newsletter
- Provide regular leadership Agency-wide mass mailers and articles in EPA's weekly newsletter
- Leverage SBA's First Wednesday Trainings

#### **Outreach**

Maximize participation in third-party small business events and provide EPA individual and general vendor engagements



150+ Individual matchmaking sessions



**30+** One-on-One vendor engagements



21 Internal and external conferences

## **EQUIP Stakeholders**

#### <u>Internal</u>

- Enhanced Small Business Contracting Dashboard
- Launched a Robust Vendor Profile Database
- Strengthened and standardized the Regional Small Business Coordinator function
- Collaborated in improving the acquisition forecast process
- Provide market research expertise in acquisition planning and contracting office meetings
- Maintain an up-to-date intranet site of resources and tools
- Provide regular recognition of EPA *Small Business Champions*
- Host an annual Administrator's Small Business Program Awards ceremony

#### **External**



Deployed a new vendor engagement tool for businesses to view outreach calendar, register for events and request individual meetings with OSDBU



Expanded internet site to serve as a repository of small business contracting resources



Issued new resource materials, including a:

- Doing Business with EPA Infographic
- Small Business Frequently Asked Questions
- EPA Small Business Fact Sheet

### **ENHANCE** Utilization

 Established new EPA-Wide Small Business Goals and Metrics as Part of EPA's Strategic Plan Implementation Framework to hold Agency officials accountable for Enhancing Small Business Goal Achievements

#### **EPA Strategic Plan Long-Term Performance Goal**

By September 30, 2026, EPA will double the annual percentage of contract spend awarded to HUBZone businesses

#### **EPA FY 2022 Annual Performance Goal**

EPA will award at least 3% of EPA's total contract dollars to HUBZone firms

#### **Annual Organization Performance Metrics**

- Maintain or increase small business goal achievements
- Programs participate in at least one acquisition-specific and one general small business engagement
- Regions participate in at least one quarterly small business engagement activity

## **Promising Practices**

- Collaborating with the Program Office to Integrate the HUBZone Program into overall Programmatic Tools and Resources
  - > Overlay the SBA HUBZone Map onto the Program-Specific <u>Cleanups in My Community (CIMC) Map</u>
  - > Develop a comprehensive strategy to collaborate with the program in expanding socioeconomic business participation in acquisitions to further the complimentary program mission objectives
- Increased Focus on Subcontracting Program
  - > Enhanced use of a small business utilization evaluation factor
  - Hosting an outreach event dedicated to connecting EPA large primes with small and socioeconomic businesses
- Developed a new Comprehensive OSDBU Small Business Desk Guide





### ENCLOSURE 5 Department of Education (EDUCATION)

## U.S. Department of Education

Small Business Procurement Advisory Council "Best Practices Briefing"

#### Calvin J. Mitchell Jr.

Director, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization 2/22/2022



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## Discussion

#### **Overview of Department of Education**

Mission. Structure. Spend.

### **OSDBU Profile**

Vision. Mission. Roles. Team. Priorities.

Challenges

### **Promising Practices**

# U.S. Department of Education

ED's mission is to promote student achievement and preparation for global competitiveness by fostering educational excellence and ensuring equal access.

ED serves America's students by four major activities:

- 1. Establishing policies relating to federal financial aid for education, administering distribution of those funds and monitoring their use.
- 2. Collecting data and overseeing research on America's schools and disseminating this information to Congress, educators and the general public.
- 3. Identifying the major issues and problems in education and focusing national attention on them.
- 4. Enforcing federal statutes, prohibiting discrimination in programs and activities receiving federal funds, and ensuring equal access to education for every individual.

### ED Operating Structure

#### Office of the Secretary and Deputy Secretary

- Institute of Education Sciences
- Office of the Inspector General
- Office for Civil Rights
- Office of Planning, Evaluation and Policy Development
- Office of the General Counsel
- Office of Legislation and Congressional Affairs
- Office of Communications and Outreach
- Center for Faith and Opportunity Initiative
- White House Initiative on American Indian and Alaskan Native Education
- White House Hispanic Prosperity Initiative

#### **Deputy Secretary**

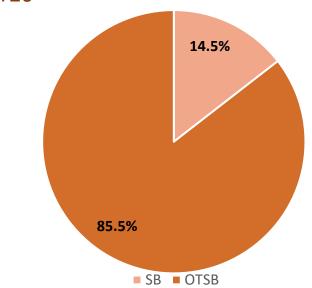
- Office of Finance and Operations
- Office of the Chief Information Officer
- Office of Elementary and Secondary Education
- Office of English Language Acquisition
- Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services

#### Office of the Under Secretary

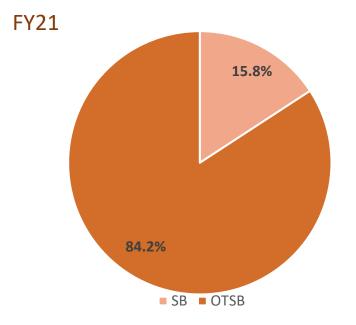
- Office of Postsecondary Education
- Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education
- White House Initiative on Historically Black Colleges and Universities
- Federal Student Aid

### Overview of ED Spending FY20-FY21

FY20



Category	Total \$	Goal %	% Achieved	
TotalSpend	\$2.43B	N/A	N/A	
SB	\$411.38M	16.0%	14.88%	
SDVOSB	\$29.62M	3.0%	1.07%	
HUBZ	\$14.67M	3.0%	0.53%	
WOSB	\$163.29M	5.0%	5.91%	
SDB	\$230.58M	5.0%	8.34%	



Category	Total \$	Goal %	% Achieved	
TotalSpend	\$2.52B	N/A	N/A	
SB	\$398.33M	14.0%	15.81%	
SDVOSB	\$27.91M	3.0%	1.11%	
HUBZ	\$20.82M	3.0%	0.83%	
WOSB	\$137.56M	5.0%	5.46%	
SDB	\$211.30M	5.0%	8.39%	

### ED Spending by NAICS FY21

NAICS	Total \$	SB \$	SB %
522390: Other Activities Related to Credit Intermediation	\$1.06B	\$0.00	0.0%
561440: Collection Agencies: Collection Agencies	\$469.43M	\$83.54M	17.8%
541512: Computer Systems Design Services	\$301.41M	\$59.26M	19.5%
541720: Research and Development in the Social Sciences and Humanities	\$224.21M	\$25.17M	11.2%
541611: Administrative Management and General Management Consulting Services	\$155.93M	\$64.76M	41.5%
541511: Custom Computer Programming Services	\$91.98M	\$40.23M	43.7%
541519: Other Computer Related Services	\$88.63M	\$65.83M	74.3%
522110: Commercial Banking	\$77.38M	\$0.00	0.0%
611710: Educational Support Services	\$61.92M	\$5.79M	9.3%
517110: Wired Telecommunications Carriers	\$36.44M	\$0.00	0.0%

### Top POCs by Contract Spend

	FY 19			FY 20			FY 21		
Program Office	Total \$	SB\$	SB %	Total \$	SB\$	SB %	Total \$	SB\$	SB %
FSA – Federal Student Aid	\$2.10B	\$650.52M	31.04%	\$2.12B	\$210.33M	9.90%	\$1.87B	\$174.56M	9.35%
IES – Institute of Education Sciences	\$385.89M	\$57.79M	14.98%	\$369.22M	\$48.88M	13.24%	\$363.22M	\$49.53M	13.64%
OCIO – Office of the Chief Information Officer	\$113.46M	\$41.96M	36.98%	\$93.88M	\$51.34M	54.69%	\$73.11M	\$37.33M	51.06%
OFO – Office of Finance and Operations	\$32.45M	\$26.56M	81.83%	\$64.91M	\$39.45M	60.77%	\$86.34M	\$59.43M	68.83%
OESE – Office of Elementary and Secondary Education	\$50.20M	\$27.82M	55.42%	\$38.67M	\$19.92M	51.51%	\$57.22M	\$37.03M	64.71%

### Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization

OSDBU is responsible for all Department activities on behalf of small businesses, minority businesses and other businesses owned and controlled by disadvantaged persons as required by Public Law 95-507.



and partnerships with ED offices to

develop and implement acquisition

strategies for achieving ED's mission.

- Conduct Inreach Training
- Establish & Facilitate the Achievement of Small Business Goals



stakeholders.

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# OSDBU Priorities





## Challenges

Limited awareness or understanding of SB Program in program offices.

Continuing struggle to reach both SDVOSB and HUBZone contracting goals.

Technology, processing and engagement have been consolidated, creating barriers for SB participation, and limiting the diversity of suppliers.

Due to FSA Modernization, there has been a reduction in Private Collection Agencies (PCA), some of which formerly qualified as small businesses

Consolidation of requirements for actions in larger program offices.



## **Best Practices**

- I. To Improve ED's SB practices
- II. To increase meaningful and extensive Inreach training
- III. To extend Outreach to and for SB base

## Promising Practices -

*I. Improving ED's SB Contracting* 

- Engaging with POCS to consider multiple award contracts with on-ramps and off-ramps provisions.
- Working with larger POCs to diversify contractors in order to utilize more SB.
- Focusing on minimizing consolidation and bundling to create more opportunities for SB, especially in IT-related fields where SBs widely exist.
- Increasing senior leader engagement and communications.
- Implementing the OSDBU Acquisition Review Tracker (Tool) to streamline the process of OSDBU approval
- Distributing small business policy guide for the dissemination of information on relevant requirements
- Increasing the use of comprehensive data reports to drive decision making

## Promising Practices -

*II. Increasing Meaningful and Extensive Inreach Training* 



Extend all training to included ED-wide staff, program officers, and program managers, in addition to acquisition staff.



Provide intentional training programs, based on necessary SB competencies to magnify awareness and understanding.



**Provide training on market research.** 



**Created Train the Trainers program on SB Fundamentals and Market Research.**  **Promising Practices** –

III. Extending Outreach to and for SB Supplier Base

**Deployed SBCX: Small Business Customer Experience – SB Database** 

**Extended training to SBs on creating strong SBCX profiles.** 

Aligned OSDBU-hosted Outreach events with OSDBU priority areas

Continued 1-1 meetings with all OSDBU staff and SBs

Increase the use of reverse industry days to bolster knowledge of small business capabilities within internal staff

Enhancing the quality of ED's external sites to make information more accessible for small business concerns.



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### ENCLOSURE 6 Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)



#### U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Best Practices SBPAC Meeting

Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU) March 2022

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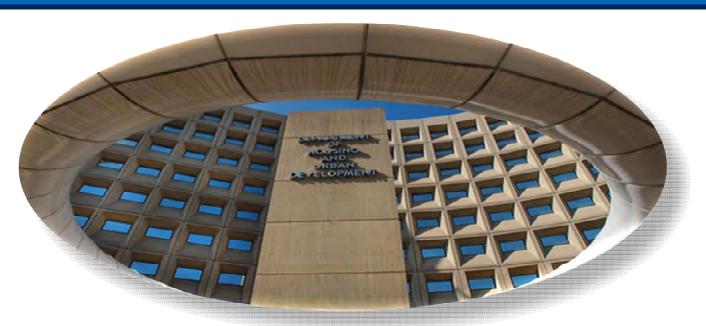
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### **Mission of HUD**



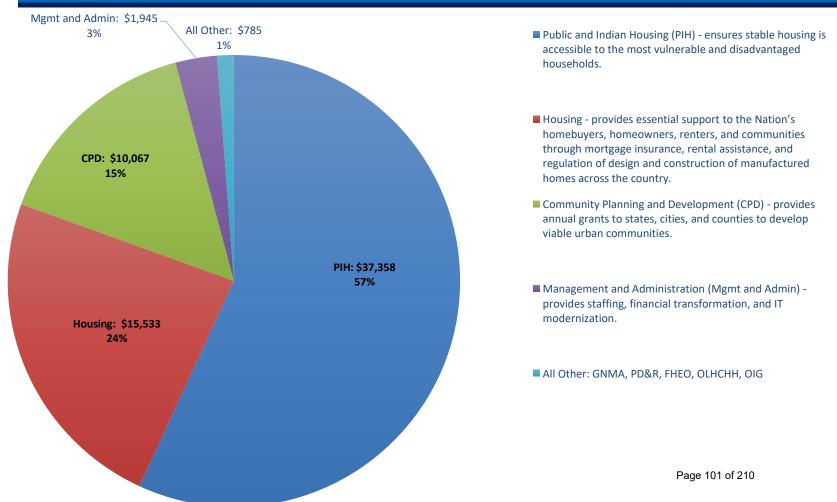
"HUD's mission is to create strong, sustainable, inclusive communities and quality affordable homes for all. HUD is working to:

- strengthen the housing market to bolster the economy and protect consumers;
- meet the need for quality affordable rental homes;
- utilize housing as a platform for improving quality of life;
- build inclusive and sustainable communities free from discrimination and
- transform the way HUD does business."



### HUD FY 2022 Omnibus Budget \$65.688 Billion

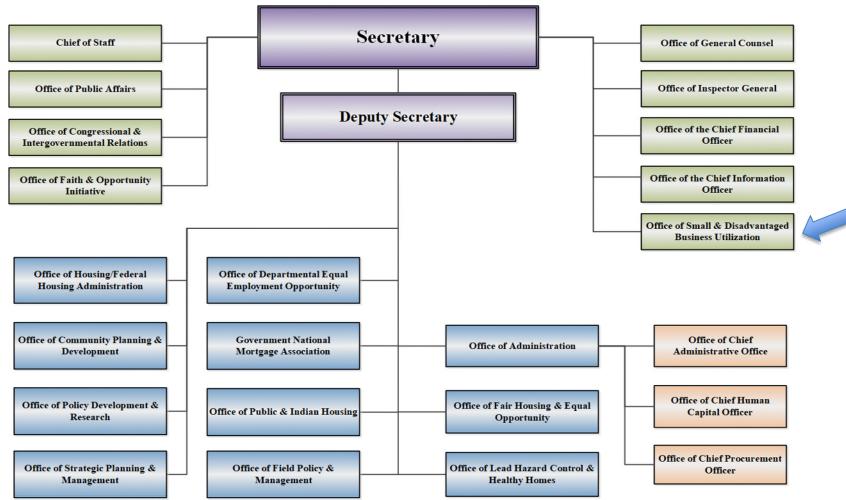
HUD Discretionary Budget Authority (in Millions of Dollars)



All Other: Government National Mortgage Association (GNMA) - brings global capital into the housing finance market; Policy Development and Research (PD&R) – provides policy analysis, research, surveys, and program evaluations; Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity (FHEO) - fights housing discrimination, promotes economic opportunity, and strives to achieve diverse, inclusive communities that are free from discrimination; Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes (OLHCHH) - provides funds to reduce lead-based paint and other housing-related health and safety hazards in homes of low income families; and Office of Inspector General (OIG) - conducts and supervises audits, evaluations, investigations, and reviews relating to the Department's programs and operations.



### HUD's Organization and Reporting Structure





## **10 Regional Offices and 54 Field Offices**



Regional Office
 Field Office



### **HUD's Small Business Trivia**



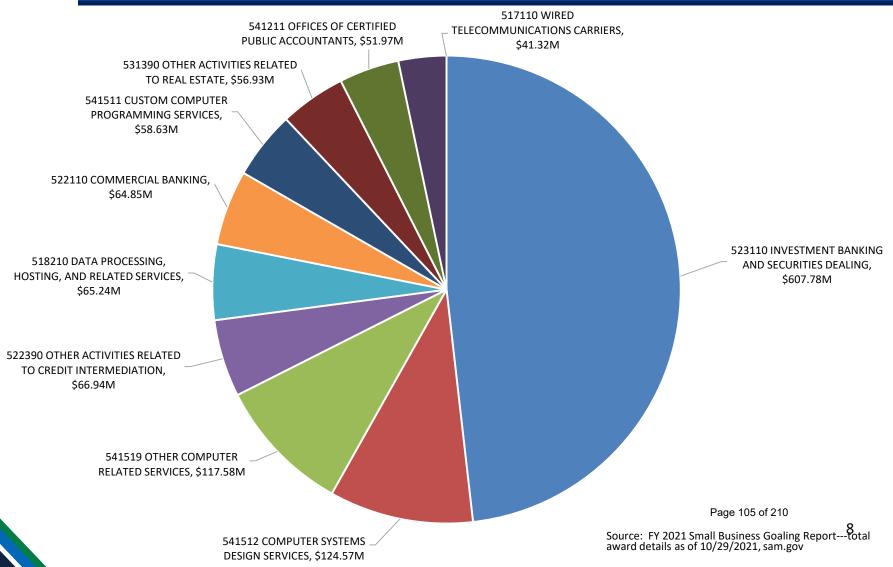
September 1978 issue of <u>HUD</u> <u>Challenge</u> magazine

#### **HUD Leads Agencies in Minority Deposits**

... According to its fourth annual report on Minority Business Enterprise in HUD programs, HUD's 1977 minority procurement figures totaled \$219.7 million. Secretary Harris said she expects to double this activity with minority firms by 1979. In this fiscal year, HUD is committed to a minority procurement goal of \$330 million, the Secretary said. Copies of the report (HUD-EO-136-3, May 1978) may be obtained free from HUD's Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, Room 5202, Washington, D.C. 20410.



### Top 10 NAICS Codes by Total FY 2021 HUD Award Dollars





### HUD's FY 21 Prime Small Business Achievements

Preference Categories	Goal	Achievements		
Total Eligible Small Business Dollars (FY 21) \$977M (excludes awards for Interagency Agreements, UNICOR and AbilityOne)	FY 21 Goal	FY 21 %	FY 21 \$ (millions)	
Small Business: Set Asides; Self Certification	5%	-6.62%	-\$64.7	
Small Disadvantaged Business Concerns (SDB)	5%*	3.14%	\$30.7	
Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Concerns (SDVOSB): Service Disabled, VA Certification; Principal Owner must be veteran	3%*	-1.57%	-\$15.4	
Women-Owned Small Business Concerns (WOSB)	5%*	9.22%	\$90.1	
HUBZone Small Business Concerns: Community development program; 35% employees must reside in designated HZ; Principal place of business must be in HZ	3%*	6.54%	\$63.9	

Source: Preliminary Small Business Goaling Report data from the SAM.gov as of October 29,2021

\*Statutory Minimum Goal set by Small Business Act 15 (g)(1)



### **Best Practices**

#### Access to HUD Leadership

• Bi-weekly Check-in with Deputy Secretary, Bi-weekly Meeting with GDASs and Ops and Bi-weekly Meetings with CPO and OSDBU

#### **Fostering Organizational Climate for Small Business**

- Secretary's Small Business Policy Statement
- Joint CPO and OSDBU Director's Fiscal Year (FY) Small Business Memo
- SB Performance Goal for all HUD Executives
- Strategies for Strengthening Market Research and Vendor Outreach Events
- Annual OSDBU Report, HUD Happenings, HUD Intranet and Internet sites

#### **Promotion of Collaborative Working Relationships**

- Utilization of an automated procurement system Procurement Request Information System Management
- Annual Strategic Acquisition Plan Submission development process which includes OSDBU review
- OSDBU participation on the Integrated Acquisition Teams (IAT) and OSDBU membership on the Acquisition Review Council (ARC)



## **Challenges and Opportunities**

- Impact of De-obligations on Reporting of Small Business Goal Achievement
- White House Directives on Procurement Equity
  - Procurement Action Team
  - SES Performance Goal
  - SDB inaugural outreach convening
- SB Dashboard
- Staffing



# **De-obligations**

- Early Alert
  - HUD internal meetings April/May 2020
  - Department of Commerce raised the concern of de-obligations impact on the reporting of small business goal achievement June 2020 SBPAC and July 2020 OSDBU Council meetings
- Stakeholder Engagement
  - SBA
  - OMB
  - Hill
- OSDBU Directors Council
  - De-obligations Working Group
  - Procurement Scorecard Working Group
- SBA Proposal January 2022



# **SES Performance Goal Implementation**

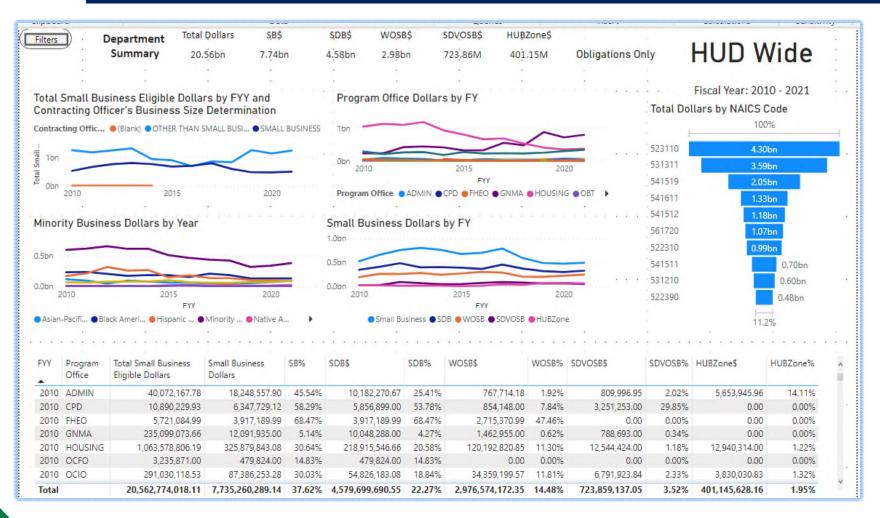
- Series of Leadership Briefings on OSDBU functions, EO 13985 and OMB Memo 22-03
  - Working Group Established: Housing, PIH, OCIO, OCPO, OGC, OCHCO, and OSDBU
  - GDAS Input/ERB Approval
  - Presentation to SES All-Hands Meeting
- Highlights
  - -Incorporate into Description of Business Acumen vs Subgoal
  - -Include in All SES Plans

-Accomplishments would include activities supporting Small Business Goal

- 1) Outreach and Awareness
- 2) Build the pipeline
- Two part implementation
  - 1) February 10 Include in select plans: Assistant Secretaries/PDASs, OCPO and OSDBU
  - 2) Mid Year Automatic Push to All Executives



# **BI Small Business Dashboard**







- 1. CPO turnover, on third HCA
- 2. Small but Mighty Staff
- 3. PMC Fellows
- 4. HUD Rotational Assignment Program



# FY 2022 HUD Vendor Outreach Events and Workshops

**Outreach Events:** 

- December HUD IT Industry Day
- February 28 Inaugural Small Disadvantaged Business
- March 30 Women-Owned Small Business
- May 19 HUBZone Small Business
- July 21 Service-Disabled
   Veteran-Owned Small Business

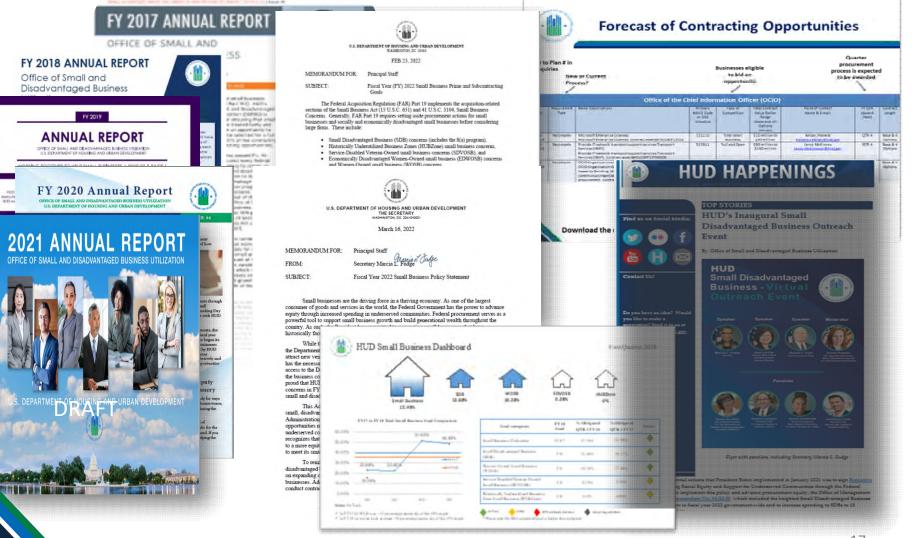
Workshops:

- HUD Virtual Matchmaking
- Live Chat with HUD's OSDBU





# **OSDBU Products**





# **Questions or Comments?**



## ENCLOSURE 7 Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

**Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU)** 

# Small Business Procurement Advisory Council (SBPAC) 26 April 2022

"Coming together is a beginning, staying together is process and working together is success."



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# **Shannon Jackson**

- ✓ 2021 Present HHS, Office of Small & Disadvantaged Business Utilization
- ✓ 2017-2021 DoD SB Programs Office
- ✓ 2011-2014 Army Rapid Equipping Force
- ✓ 2010-2011 Foreign Military Sales Manager Iraq
- ✓ 2008 2010 ASA-ALT System Coordinator for Joint Air to Ground Missile
   & Ballistic Missile Defense System
- ✓ 2006-2009 Product Manager, PEO Office Ammunition
- ✓ Project Officer, Army Research Development & Engineering Centers
- Servant Leader, Husband, Dad, Wrestling Coach, & Community Volunteer

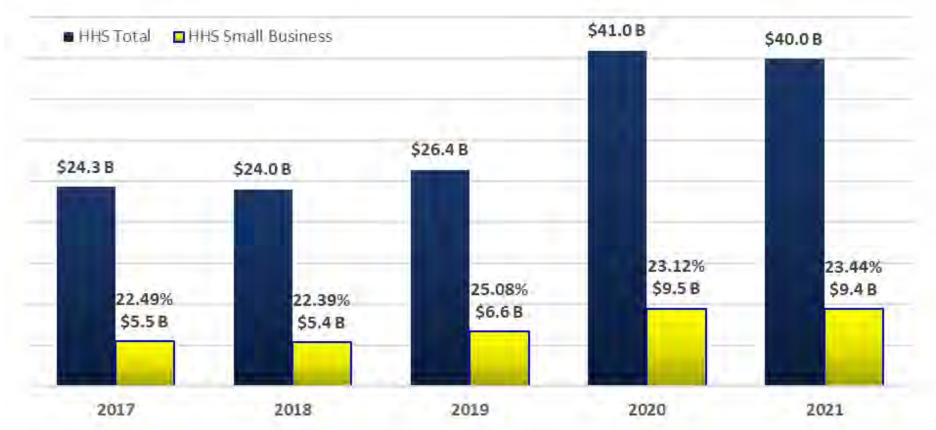




- HHS Overall Small Performance
  - ➢ HUBZone
  - SDVOSB
  - > SAT
- Small Business Governance Documents
- OSDBU Priorities FY22
- Executive Order 13985 Initiatives
- OSDBU Social Media Transition
- Small Business Customer Experience (SBCX)
- OSDBU Industry Engagement
- OSDBU Next Steps
- Questions



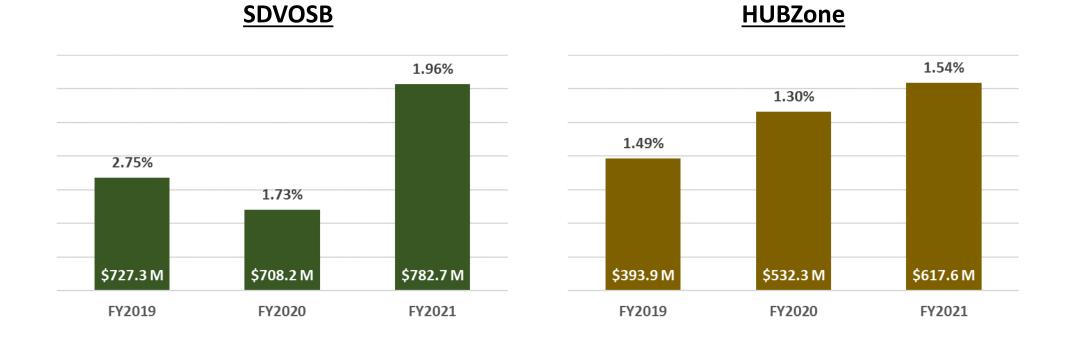
# **HHS Small Business Performance**



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# **HHS Socio-Economic Focus**





# **HHS Simplified Acquisition Threshold Performance**





# **Small Business Governance Documents**

## 15 U.S. Code § 644 (k)

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SMALL BUSINESS ACT [Public Law 85-536: Approved July 18, 1958]

[As Amended Through P.L. 117-81, Enacted December 27, 2021] [15 U.S.C. 631 et seq.; 72 Stat. 384 et seq.]

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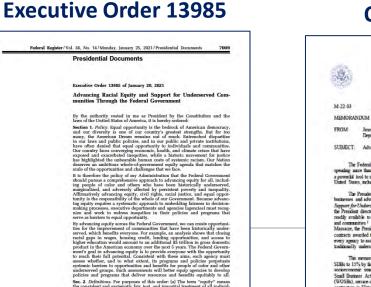
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AN ACT To amend the Small Business Act of 1953, as amended

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February 8, 2022

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policies and programs that deliver resources and benefits equilably to all. **Sec. 2.** Definitions: For purposes of this order (a) This term "equipy" means the consistent and systematic fair, just, and impartial treatment of all individ-tions being in markets in who have the singer to individual treatment of all individ-tions of the singer treatment of the singer term of the singer and Native American presents. Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and there presens of color, numbers of Reighzan animaticar, leakina, gay biscusal, who live in rural awas; and persons otherwise adversely affected by persistent powers or inequality. (b) The term "utility" can see the graphic communities of the populations the here been systematically desided a fall to operturb to participate in aspects of economic, social, and civic life, as exemplified by the list in the preceding definition of "quipt".

## **OMB 22-03**

### EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET WASHINGTON, D.C. 25803 December 2 2021 MEMORANDUM FOR THE HEADS OF EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

Deputy Director for Management

SUBJECT: Advancing Equity in Federal Procurement

The Federal Government is the largest consumer of goods and services in the world, spending more than \$650 billion each year. This purchasing power makes Federal procurement a powerfal tool to support small business growth and busic generatoreal wealth throughout the United States, including for firms owned by underrepresented individuals.

The President has set a policy of using Federal contract spending to support small businesses and advance equity. In Presentive Order 13985, Advancing Racial Equity and Support for Undersorved Communities through the Federal Government (the Esecutive Order), the President directed agencies to make Federal contracting and procument opportunities more readily available to all eligible wondows and to remove barriers doed by undersorved individuals and communities<sup>1</sup> In his June 2021 speech commemorating the centennial of the Tuka Race Massacre, the President autounced an additional step. He set a goal of increasing the share of contracts awarded to small disadvantaged businesses (SDBs) to 15% by 2025. And he charged every agency to assess available tools to increase opportunities for small businesses and traditionally underserved entrepreneurs to compete for Federal contracts.

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<sup>1</sup> The Eusentine Order calls for a comprehensive approach to advancing equity for all, including "people of color and others who have been historically underserved, marginalized, and adversely affected by of color and others was have new sense or a providence of the sense of

## **HHS Equity Plan**

OMB Equiry Action Plan

Executive summary Agency name: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Mittion: The mattion of HHS is to enhance the health and well-being of all Americans, by providing for effective health and human services and by fostering sound, sustained advances in the sciences underlying medicine, public health, and social services

Summary of Action Plan: Executive Order 13985 calls on avenues to advance equily throat identifying and addressing barriers to equal opportunity that underserved communities may face due to revenuent policies and revenants. This Ecusiv Action Plan focuses on a main tenet of EO 13985, that advancing equity must be a central component of the decision making framework that all agency functions are routed through. Using the definition of equity presented in EO 13985,<sup>1</sup> this plan takes the perspective that it is incumhent on HHS to nove segently to astests and change policies, programs and processes that the Department administers to concretely advance equity and that for these efforts to last, HHS must simultaneously shift the culture, resources, and approaches available to HHS staff to institutionalize and matum a focu on equity over time. This Equity Action Plan does not describe countrehensively how all HHS components are working to advance equity, but instead highlights a few examples across the Department.

The Equity Action Plan was Annaloged with cases, cutting Amartment concentrations and is designed to take concrete action to transform how HHS does business in ways that promote and advance equity through building on work that is already underway and intelementing new actions. The plan describes actions that can be taken now with current resources and ways the Department can work to further advance equity in the future through strategies such as building data capacity, expanding this/holder engagement, increasing our understanding of mequates and curgoing evaluation of our efforts. This plan is also written with an acknowledgement that all HHS equity-related efforts are not captured here, and the select inclusion of strategies is designed to be both a starting point and illustrative of the deep and wide actions to advance equity we are advancing. Additionally, future investments, such as those which may require new technology for example, are subject to the availability of funding. Based on guidance from the Office of Management and Badget (OMB) and building on

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# **OSDBU Priorities FY22**

□ Implement the OSDBU objectives outlined in support of Executive Order 13985.

- Improve HHS OSDBU Small Business Prime Contracts performance in the following socioeconomic categories HUBZone and SDVOSB
- Modernize the small business industrial base in order to create a more reliable supply chain to address future pandemics
- Pursue small business technology to address HHS Critical Capability challenges
- Strengthen oversight of prime contractor reporting of subcontracting plans and goals, as subcontracting opportunities are often pathways for small businesses to become involved with Federal contracting.

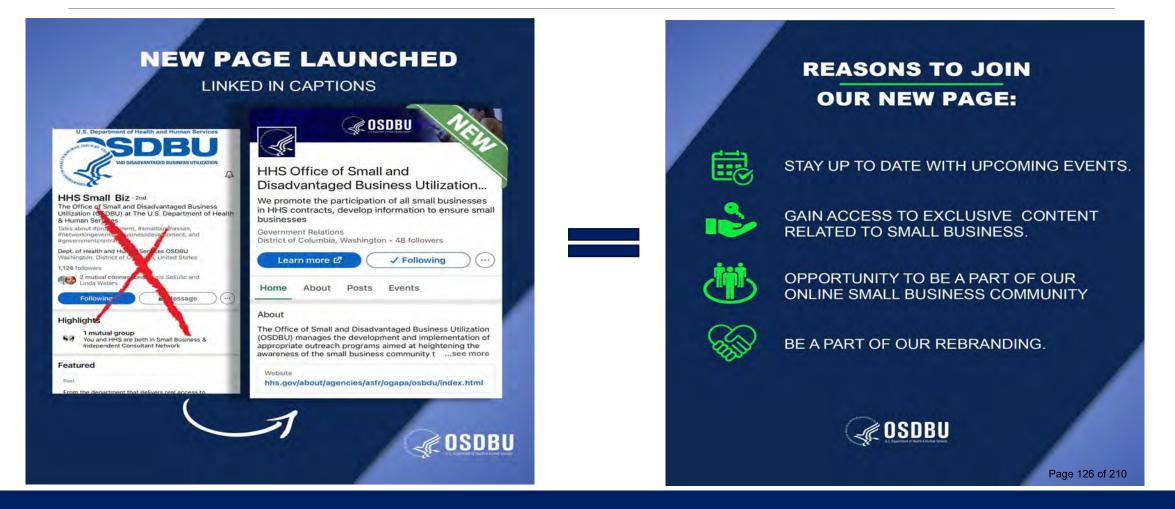


# **Executive Order 13985 Initiatives**

- Emphasize department-wide utilization of the Small Business Customer Experience Forecasting Tool
- Strengthen oversight on subcontracting goals in contracts awarded to large businesses; Oversight of prime contractor reporting of subcontracting goals achievement
- Increase HHS OSDBU Small Business Prime Contracts performance in the following socioeconomic categories -HUBZone and SDVOSB
- □ Increase small business set-aside compliance IAW FAR 19.502-2 for procurements under the Simplified Acquisition Threshold (\$250K)
- Collaborate with National Institutes of Health to increase the use of Historically Black Colleges & Universities in OpDIV/StaffDiv procurements (specifically for research & development)



# **OSDBU Social Media Transition**





# **Small Business Customer Experience (SBCX)**

## **Government Features:**

- Conduct Form 653 Reviews
- Post opportunities to the forecast
- Search small businesses by NAICS, company names, DUNS
- Review capability statements
- HUBZone Central
- □ Subcontracting portal (Summer 2022!)

## **Small Businesses Features:**

- Create profile, upload cap statement
- □ Search, save, export opportunities
- Search, register for OSDBU events
- Late payment assistance
- □ Target marketing assistance





# Small Disadvantage Business (SDB) Alliance Leadership

The purpose of the working group is for the HHS OSDBU, SB Community, HHS OPDIVs & STAFF DIVs and SBA to address barriers to SDB Firms and provide recommendations and promote the utilization of the SBDs.

## SDB Alliance Leadership initiative was created in response to the following:

- Executive Order 13985 –Advancing Racial Equity and Support for Underserved Communities and through the Federal Government.
- □ Executive Order 14036- Promoting Competition in the American Economy
- Executive Order 14001- Sustainable Public Health Supply Chain

## **SDB Alliance Goals:**

- 1) Educate the SDBs on How to do business with HHS
- 2) Educate the HHS acquisition professionals on SDBs
- 3) Foster relationships with SDBs & HHS primes
- 4) Recognize SDBs for work they have done and Past Performance w/HHS





# **OSDBU Industry Engagements**

## **HHS Office Hours Initiative**

The purpose of the "Office Hours" is to address the questions, comments and concerns of small businesses looking to do business with HHS.

## HHS First Time Awardees Office Hours (Recurring w/Industry)

The purpose of the quarterly HHS First-Time Awardees is to congratulate them on becoming apart of the HHS Small Business industrial base. This session allows the Small Businesses and opportunity to meet the HHS OSDBU leadership, Small Business Specialists and the OPDIV or STAFFDIV they are supporting.

## HHS OSDBU National Small Business (Annual)

The National Small Business Conference focuses on training the Acquisition Workforce, Small Business Specialists, and the Small Business industrial base partners. This year's training conference objectives include:

- 1) Educating small businesses on the procedures associated with federal contracting
- 2) Improve Small Business practices within the HHS Acquisition Community
- 3) Provide insight on strategies for identifying and pursuing contract opportunities within HHS
- 4) Provide opportunities for small businesses to conduct matchmaking and networking sessions to meet with Government and Industry representatives



# **OSDBU Next Steps**

- Preparing draft guidance for Deputy Secretary on encouraging the OPDIV and STAFDIV to support the department-wide utilization centralized forecasting tool
- □ Coordinate targeted outreach events with OPDIV and STAFDIV focusing on HUBZone and SBVOSB events
- Increase outreach to underserved areas across the US and increase use of market research tools to identify pools of small disadvantaged businesses capable of performing targeted HHS SAT opportunities.
- □ No later than 05/01/2022, HHS will also conduct targeted Program Management Reviews on small business opportunities and small business contract awards, which is inclusive of small disadvantaged businesses.
- No later than 05/01/2022, the Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU) will conduct targeted training for HHS Small Business Specialists and Contracting Officers on the utilization of small businesses.



# **Questions & Any Next Steps**



# Small Business is the HEART of our Nation's Economy

"Teamwork is the ability to work together toward a common vision. The ability to direct individual accomplishments toward organizational objectives. It is the fuel that allows common people to attain uncommon results." – Andrew Carnegie

## ENCLOSURE 8 National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

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# NASA OSBP Best Practices

Small Business Procurement Advisory Council Meeting

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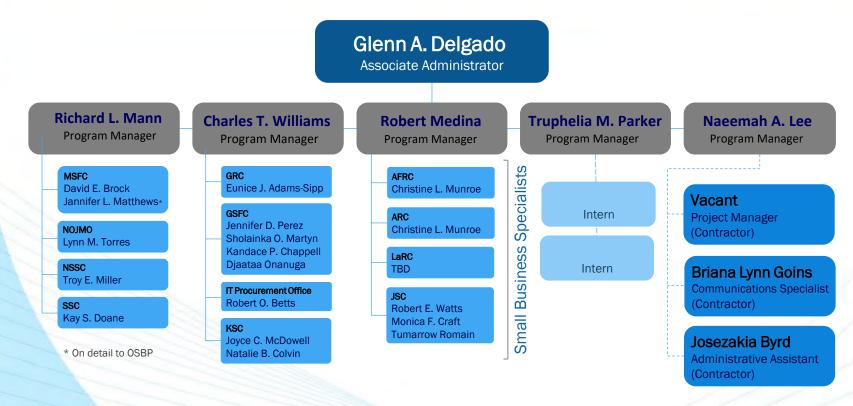
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# Office of Small Business Programs Organizational Chart (with Centers)



## FY16-FY21 OSBP Prime and Subcontracting Dollars Trend



	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019	FY2020	FY2021	Δ FY17-FY21 %	Δ FY17-FY21 \$
Prime	\$2,720,775,694	\$2,840,872,957	\$3,073,214,371	\$3,234,132,113	\$3,461,959,925	27.2%	\$741,184,231
Subcontracting	\$2,810,378,010	\$3,016,957,976	\$2,977,585,435	\$3,595,381,617	\$3,715,060,103	32.2%	\$904,682,093
Total SB	\$5,531,153,704	\$5,857,830,933	\$6,050,799,806	\$6,829,513,730	\$7,177,020,028	29.8%	\$1,645,866,324
Total Spend	\$16,489,553,702	\$17,045,387,176	\$17,666,905,370	\$18,426,228,532	\$19,044,727,743	15.5%	\$2,555,174,041
						Δ FY20-FY21 %	Δ FY20-21\$
					Prime	<b>Δ FY20-FY21 %</b> 7.0%	Δ <b>FY20-21 \$</b> \$227,827,812
					Prime Subcontracting		

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# Templates for Consolidation and Bundling Determination and Findings

- Addresses D&F requirements in FAR 7.107-2, -3, and -4
- Includes section on calculation of substantial benefits
- Templates developed in partnership with Office of Procurement (OP) and Office of General Counsel
- Templates maintained by OP
- OSBP provides training on Consolidation and Bundling to contracting offices

# NASA Active Contract Listings

### **ACTIVE CONTRACT LISTINGS (ACLs)**

### → NASA Employees Click Here → Vendors Click Here

Active Contract Lists (ACLs) record NASA recurring acquisitions. ACLs are grouped based on NAICS codes and are categorized as follows:

- Accounting Financial Business Services
- Facilities Maintenance
- IT
- Administrative Services
- Environmental Services and Remediation

- Multiple Award Construction
- Occupational Health
- Protective Services

### Sample Active Contract Listing

	Center	NAICS	Contract Name	Contractor Name Contract #	Type of Competition	Potential Value	Ultimate Contract End Date
	AFRC	561210	Facilities Operations and Maintenance Services	Helix Management Services, LLC NND13AD53C	8(a) Competitive	\$44.9 M	5/31/2021 Last Date to Order
Center Acronym	ARC	561210	Safety and Mission Assurance	Bastion Technologies, Inc. 80ARC020D0012	Full & Open	\$66.6 M	10/31/2024 Last Date to Order
Indicates the center(s) or location(s) of the work to be performed, or where the requirement exists. The loca-	GRC	561720	Janitorial Services	Creative Management Technology 80GRC020C0007	SB Set-Aside	\$15.4 M	7/31/2025
tion of the contracting center may or may not be the same as the location of the work/	KSC	561210	Base Operations and Spaceport Services (BOSS)	PAE-SGT Partners, Inc. 80KSC018C0017	Full & Open	\$609 M	3/21/2023
requirement.	KSC	561730	Grounds and Landscaping Maintenance and Pest Contract II	S.C. Jones Services, Inc. 80KSC019C0020	HUBZone Set-Aside	\$10.9 M	9/30/2023

### To view:

https://www.nasa.gov/osbp/active-contract-listings

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### NASA ACOUISITION FORECAST

### https://www.hq.nasa.gov/office/ procurement/forecast/

The NASA Acquisition Forecast is a consolidated Agency-wide forecast provided to allow users to search multiple NASA Centers for procurement opportunities.

### Expiration Date (or "last date to order" for indefinite-delivery contracts)

This allows for long-term tracking of recurring requirements, as well as for the long-term planning time normally required in pursuing the contracts.

# **Sample NASA ACL - Facilities**

			NASA FACILITIES CONTRACTS			
CENTER	NAICS	CONTRACT NAME	CONTRACTOR NAME CONTRACT #	TYPE OF COMPETITION	POTENTIAL VALUE	ULTIMATE CONTRACT END DATE
AFRC	561210	Facilities Operations and Maintenance Services	Helix Management Services, LLC NND13AD53C	8(a) Competitive	\$44.9 M	11/30/2022 Last Date to Order
ARC	561210	Safety & Mission Assurance	Bastion Technologies, Inc. 80ARC020D0012	Full & Open	\$66.6 M	10/31/2024 Last Date to Order
ARC	561210	Aerospace Testing & Facilities O&M (ATOM-5)	Jacobs Technology 80ARC022DA011	Full & Open	\$298 M	6/21/2027 Last Date to Order
ARC	561210	Logistics Management Services (LMS)	Lockwood Hills, LLC 80ARC017C0001	SB Set-Aside	\$31.5 M	8/15/2022
ARC	561210	Ames Facilities Maintenance Support Services (AFSS)	Jacobs Technology NNA15BB23C	Full & Open	\$232 M	10/12/2025
ARC	561210	Minor Maintenance, Alteration, and Repair Support Services	Multiple	Blanket Purchase Agreements	\$5 M	12/31/2022
GRC	561720	Janitorial Services	Creative Management Technology 80GRC020C0007	SB Set-Aside	\$15.4 M	7/31/2025
GRC	561210	Facilities Operations Repair and Maintenance (FORM)	Wolf Creek Federal Services NNC14BA11B	SB Set-Aside	\$111.6 M	9/30/2022 Last Date to Order
GRC	561210	Technical Info, Admin, Logistics Svcs II (TIALS 2)	Alcyon Technical Services (ATS) JV, LLC NNC15CA30C	SB Set-Aside	\$175.6 M	9/30/2022
GRC	561210	Technical, Facilities, O&M, & Engineering (TFOME)	HX5 Sierra, LLC NNC15BA02B	SB Set-Aside	\$379.9 M	5/31/2025
GSFC	561210	O&M for IV&V Facility	West Virigina University Research Corporation 80G5FC19C0074	Sole Source	\$25 M	9/30/2025
GSFC/WFF	561210	Wallops Island Consolidated Contract (WICC) II	LIT & Associates Inc NNG14WA44C	SB Set-Aside	\$264.4 M	3/31/2021 Last Date to Order
GSFC	561210	Facilities Operations and Maintenance Services (FOMS) III	AKIMA Support Operation, LLC 80GSFC18C0054	Full & Open	\$14.1 M	4/14/2023
GSFC	561720	Custodial, Landscaping, and Recycling Services	Melwood Horticultural Training Center, Inc. 80GSFC20C0098	Ability One	\$27.8 M	6/30/2025
GSFC	561210	Northern Latitude Sounding Rocket Launch Site	University of Alaska-Fairbanks 80GSFC20C0023	Sole Source	\$30 M	11/30/2029
SSFC/WFF	561730	Landscaping & Trash and Recycling Removal at WFF	Didlake, Inc. 80GSFC20D0010	Ability Oné	\$4.1 M	4/19/2025 Last Date to Order

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# Total Contract Value method (TCV) for Subcontracting Goals

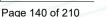
- TCV goals obtained in addition to goals as a percentage of total subcontracting dollars, per FAR 19.704 [a] [2]
- More meaningful for small businesses
- 100% of Total Subcontracting Dollars can still be a low dollar amount
- Recommended subcontracting goals as a percent of TCV published in solicitations



# NASA Small Business Technical Coordinator Roles and Responsibilities

- Serve as a center Small Business Program advocate within their respective Program or Office by ensuring that organizations are receptive to small business inquiries.
- Assess where and what opportunities are likely to occur within his/her organization and advise small business representatives accordingly.
- As appropriate, participate along with the SBS in the acquisition planning of new and follow-on requirements to ensure that small businesses receive, to the maximum extent possible, opportunities to participate.
- Schedule permitting; participate along with the SBS in selected local small business outreach/matchmaking events.
- As appropriate, participate in SBS initiated oneon-one in-house counseling sessions.
- Serve as an advisor to local or center industry councils.

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# **NASA Center Industry Councils**

- NASA Center Industry Councils are independent membership organizations that facilitate, collaborate, educate, and provide leadership to assist vendors in effectively penetrating the marketplace at the respective agency center.
- Each center has a Small Business • Industry Council and/or Large Business Industry Council that promote the development of supplier excellence, as well as provide unique training and mentorship opportunities for small business owners and associates.
- Online: https://www.nasa.gov/sites/default/files/ato ms/files/center industry council 04-2022tagged.pdf

## Space Administratio **NASA** Center

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Ames Research Center (ARC) **Ames Contractor Council** www.amescontractorcouncil.org LARGE AND SMALL BUSINESSES

Contact: Kari Gonter 760.500.0135 kari.gonter@metis-tech.com

Meetings are held on the 1st Wednesday of each month. Participants must be current prime or subcontractors at the Center

### Armstrong Flight Research Center (AFRC)

Armstrong Contractor Council www.nasa.gov/centers/armstrong/employmen contractor-opportunities LARGE AND SMALL BUSINESSES

Contact: Diana Hinton 861 276 7598 diana.c.hinton@nasa.gov

Meetings are held on the last Thursday of the month. Meetings are open to resident contract tors/site managers or their designees at AFRC.

### **Glenn Research Center (GRC)**

**GRC Small Business Advisory Council** arcsbac.com SMALL BUSINESSES

Contact: Brian Finley 216 407 9548 finley@zin-tech.com

www.nasa.gov

Monthly meetings, Membership to the GRC Small Business Advisory Council (SBAC) is open to businesses with existing prime contracts or subcontracts with GRC

Contact: Randal (Randy) Frey o: 301.837.5444 c: 301.832.4802 rfrey@asrcfederal.com Quarterly meetings. Members must be a small

Goddard Space Flight Center (GSFC)

Goddard Small Business Council

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business contractor at GSFC and in good standing with the procurement office at GSFC

Johnson Space Center (JSC)

agreen@wylehou.com Meetings are held every 2nd Tuesday of each

**JSC Small Business Council** LARGE AND SMALL BUSINESSES

Contact: Sergio Muniz 210 254 7522 sergio.muniz@cyfor.com

Meetings are held on the last Thursday of each Team

Thursdays.

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Meetings are bimonthly, either on Tuesdays o Thursdays.

Board@mail.nasa.gov Meetings every 2nd Tuesday of the month. Must have a prime contract. Participation in KSC PCB Contact; Vacant is soley on a voluntary basis. Members are not Bimonthly meetings obligated, but are encouraged to implement

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Prime Roundtable LARGE BUSINESSES Contact: Ayanna Green

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board recommendations.

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**Marshall Prime Contractor Supplier** Council

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Small Business Executive Leadership

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Stennis Space Center (SSC) SSC Small Business Committee

# **NASA OSBP Learning Series**

The NASA Office of Small Business Programs offers a series of webinars with in-depth training relevant to small businesses.

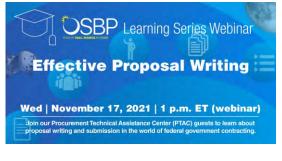
### Featured Speakers

- NASA subject matter experts
  - Office of Procurement
  - Space Technology Mission Directorate
  - Office of STEM Engagement
- Stakeholder agencies and organizations
  - FDIC
  - PTAC
  - SBA
  - SCORE
  - USWCC

## Schedule

- 1:00pm ET, monthly on 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday
- For more information: <u>https://www.nasa.gov/osbp/learning-series</u>

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# **NASA OSBP Learning Series Metrics**



- 467 attended this webinar!
- 68% of attendees stayed for the entire presentation!





NASA OSBP Opportunities for Underrepresented Communities

Wendnesday, February 16, 2022 1:00 p.m. ET

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- 345 attended this webinar!
- 75% of attendees stayed for the entire presentation!

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# **NASA Small Business Industry Awards**

The Small Business Industry Awards (SBIA) recognizes the following:

- Small Business Prime Contractor
- Small Business Subcontractor
- Large Business Prime Contractor
- Mentor-Protégé Agreement



Online:

https://www.nasa.gov/osbp/awards/sbia.html



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### **NASA Small Business Advocates Awards**

The Small Business Advocates Awards (SBAA) recognizes the following:

- Small Business Specialist of the Year
- Small Business Technical Advisor/Coordinator of the Year
- Procurement Person (or Team) of the Year
- Technical Person (or Team) of the Year
- Program/Science/Research and Development Person (or Team) of the Year

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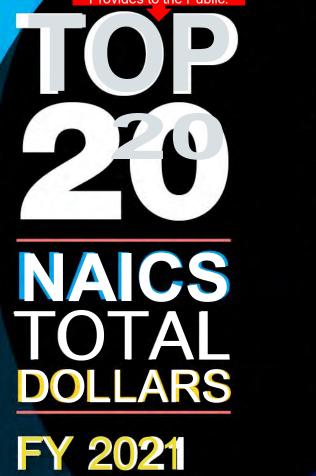
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California Institute of Technology (JPL)	https://acquisitions.jpl.nasa.gov	\$2,366,825,530
The Boeing Company	http://www.boeingsuppliers.com/esd/getstart.html	\$1,666,164,987
Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	https://www.spacex.com/	\$1,625,514,025
Northrop Grumman (Includes Orbital Sciences and ATK)	https://www.northropgrumman.com/suppliers/pages/default. aspx	\$1,438,545,564
Lockheed Martin Corporation	https://www.lockheedmartin.com/en-us/suppliers.html	\$1,372,076,278
Jacobs Technology, Inc.	https://www.jacobs.com/suppliers/registration	\$1,018,915,347
KBR, Inc. (Includes Wyle and SGT)	https://kbrsupplier.com/	\$641,595,784
Science Applications International Corporation	http://www.saic.com/suppliers	\$508,140,907
Aerojet Rocketdyne of DE, Inc.	https://www.rocket.com/suppliernet	\$462,109,238
Blue Origin Federation, LLC	https://www.blueorigin.com/fly-with-us/become-a-supplier	\$278,284,724
Science Systems and Applications, Inc.	https://www.ssaihq.com/contact.html	\$263,093,314
Johns Hopkins University (5111)	https://hopkinsmedicine.org/business/index.html	\$252,785,160
Leidos	https://www.leidos.com/suppliers	\$226,278,015
Ball Aerospace & Technologies Corp.	https://www.ball.com/aerospace/about-ball-aerospace/ supplier-resources	\$204,735,159
Peraton, Inc.	https://www.peraton.com/supplier-diversity/	\$201,814,678
Dynetics, Inc.	https://www.dynetics.com/suppliers/	\$186,686,052
Syncom Space Services, LLC	http://syncomspaceservices.com/Vendors.aspx	\$182,459,852
Universities Space Research Association	https://www.usra.edu/about-usra/doing-business-usra	\$180,103,360
Raytheon Company	https://www.rtx.com/suppliers	\$146,218,894
Southwest Research Institute	https://www.swri.org/content/subcontracts-team-member	\$144,880,241

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TOTAL \$13,367,227,109

Resource NASA OSBP Provides to the Public.



NAICS	CODE AND DESCRIPTION	TOTAL DOLLAF
641710 641712 641715	Research and Development in the Physical, Engineering, and Life Sciences ——— (Except Biotechnology) ——— (Except Nanotechnology and Biotechnology)	\$9,365,243,20
36414	Guided Missile and Space Vehicle Manufacturing	\$2,939,696,1
81212	Nonscheduled Chartered Freight Air Transportation	\$1,265,277,8
641330	Engineering Services	\$982,127,10
61210	Facilities Support Services	\$634,474,18
641512	Computer Systems Design Services	\$634,150,5 <sup>.</sup>
36415	Guided Missile and Space Vehicle Propulsion Unit and Propulsion Unit Parts Manufacturing	\$431,706,50
34511	Search, Detection, Navigation, Guidance, Aeronautical, and Nautical System and Instrument Manufacturing	\$250,445,60
517919	All Other Telecommunications	\$247,486,60
36419	Other Guided Missile and Space Vehicle Parts and Auxiliary Equipment Manufacturing	\$185,836,9
236210	Industrial Building Construction	\$174,742,04
41611	Administrative Management and General Management Consulting Services	\$174,350,3
641519	Other Computer Related Services	\$167,692,29
61110	Office Administrative Services	\$151,454,54
641513	Computer Facilities Management Services	\$147,891,23
641612	Human Resources Consulting Services (2007), Human Resources and Executive Search Consulting Services (2002)	\$127,757,10
333314	Optical Instrument and Lens Manufacturing	\$124,971,77
61612	Security Guards and Patrol Services	\$110,441,4
88190	Other Support Activities for Air Transportation	\$85,645,00
36411	Aircraft Manufacturing	\$84,963,62

TOTAL \$18,286,354,137

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## **OSBP Mobile App**

OSBP Mobile is designed to help:

- Provide active contract listings and requests for proposals
- Network with Small Business
   Specialists at each NASA Center
- Explore the latest Agency prime metrics data
- Inform you of the latest small business news and events

## Come make a BIG difference at NASA!



Download at: https://play.google.com/ https://apps.apple.com/

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### **NASA Vendor Database**

- The NASA Vendor Database (NVDB) is open to all NASA employees as well as vendors, both large and small, who wish to do business with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.
  - Build a company profile
  - Conduct vendor search
  - Increase company visibility at NASA!
- For more information and to **register**, visit: <u>https://www.nasa.gov/osbp/nasa-</u> vendor-database

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### **NASA OSBP Gets Social!**

- Develop a social media strategy
- Identify campaigns that support OSBP mission, programs and initiatives
- Build relationships with internal / external partners
- Identify key audiences and where they "reside" online
- Communicate the campaign!

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Agency Social Media Comparisons Small Business Organizations for May 2022					
<u>Agency</u>	<u>Twitter</u>	<u>Facebook</u>			
NASA	17,935	253,722			
U.S. Army	4,614	5,199			
Dept. of Veterans Affairs	3,054	2,879			
U.S Navy	1,517	2,998			
Dept. of Defense	2,817	1,899			
U.S Air Force	1,404	1,404			

QR codes can provide more information about the product or service without a sweat, and the information quickly goes to the user's device.



### **NASA OSBP Gets Social!**

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Secure your spot by registering today!

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Are you registered in our NASA Vendor Database?

By joining our **#network** you will share the capabilities of your business, express your willingness to work with NASA, and receive a list of **#smallbusinesses** that may have contracting opportunities!



#### NASA Vendor Database

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It's financial literacy month and we're observing it with our newest event catered to small businesses.

Join us April 20 at 1 p.m. EDT for NASA's Office of Small Business webinar on 'Financial Management for Small Businesses.' Registration is free for this opportunity to learn key information about operating your business in a fiscally responsible way. https://inkd.in/d3q632mq



NASA Office of Small Business Programs - NASA OSBP was live.

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Join the NASA Multiple Award Construction Contract (MACCs) for an overview of the MACC contracts for the Western, East Coast, and Southern regions that NASA has in place. Additionally, hear the capabilities overview from several MACC vendors.

NASA anticipates that this learning event will provide the knowledge needed for small businesses to possibly become MACC holders in the future or a subcontractor today!



#### Highlights:

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- Save time! Post to multiple platforms at once with Sprinklr
- Amplify the message! Agency-level support on NASA flagship account
- Reach more people! Live stream events and programs
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# Learn more about NASA OSBP!

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### ENCLOSURE 9 National Science Foundation (NSF)



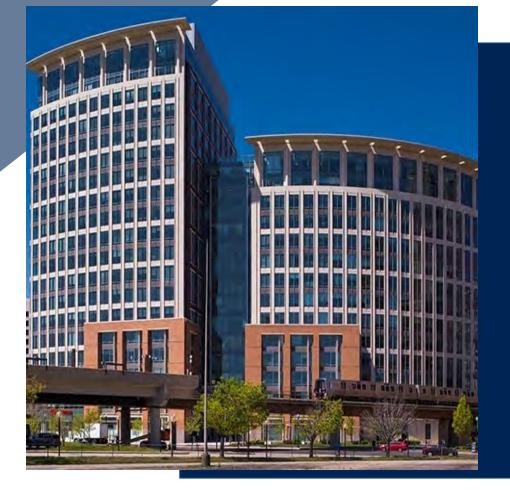
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> Francine Morris OSDBU Deputy Director





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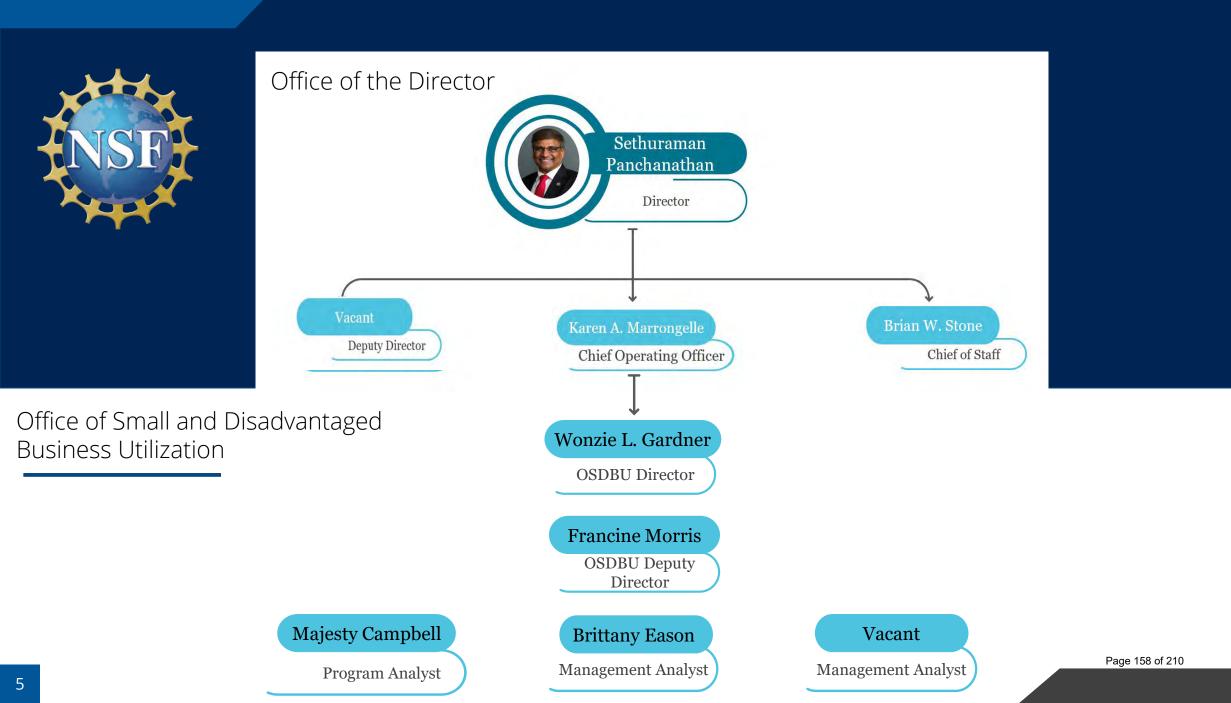
### **Mission Statement**

"To promote the progress of science; to advance the national health, prosperity, and welfare; and to secure the national defense; and for other purposes. NSF envisions a nation that capitalizes on new concepts in science and engineering and provides global leadership in advancing research and education."

#### NSF ORGANIZATIONAL CHART







## **NSF Culture**



Ranked #5 among mid-sized agencies in *2020 Best Places to Work* in the federal government.



Collaborative work environment.



Workplace flexibilities supported by work-life balance programs.



Promotes cutting-edge innovation and discovery that changes the world.





## NSF by the Numbers



Created by Congress in 1950. Workforce of about 2,100. 1,400 career employees/about 500 contractors

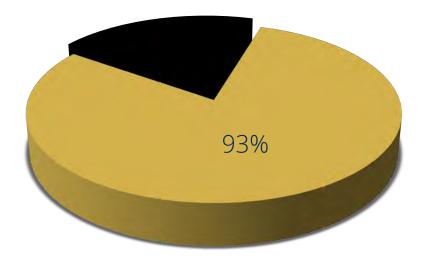


NSF funds research in all 50 states and fosters international scientific collaboration on all 7 continents



NSF supports 27% of all federally funded academic research at U.S. colleges and universities

\$8.8B budget – 93% of which is allocated to grants and awards to support research projects, facilities, and STEM education





### What We Buy



Antarctic and Arctic Support - \$237,952,716.38



Science and Engineering Statistical Support Services - **\$10,845,546** 



Information and Resource Management Support Services and Products -\$136,646,091



Other Professional Services, Including Human Resources Support - \$33,842,698



Financial Management Support – \$6,503,636.15

### **NSF Small Business Prime Achievement History**

FY	SB (Goal/Achievement)	SDB (Goal/ Achievement)	WOSB (Goal/ Achievement)	HUBZone (Goal/ Achievement)	SDVOSB (Goal/ Achievement)	Scorecard Letter Grade
2019	13.50% / 15.55%	5.00% / 7.09%	5.00% / 3.72%	3.00% / 1.81%	3.00% / 2.19%	В
2020	13.50% / 19.27%	5.00% / 9.54%	5.00% / 5.99%	3.00% / 3.82%	3.00% / 4.26%	A
2021	15% / 23.88%	5.00% / 13.98%	5.00% / 8.44%	3.00% / 4.79%	3.00% / 3.54%	

### **NSF Small Business Subcontract Achievement History**

FY	SB (Goal/Achievement)	SDB (Goal/ Achievement)	WOSB (Goal/ Achievement)	HUBZone (Goal/ Achievement)	SDVOSB (Goal/ Achievement)
2019	38.84% / 24.70%	5.00% / 12.90%	5.00% / 4.30%	3.00% / 0.40%	3.00% / 3.80%
2020	37.80% / 20.50%	5.00% / 13.10%	5.00% / 0.60%	3.00% / 0.20%	3.00% / 4.60%
2021	32.00% / 27.30%	5.00% / 10.30%	5.00% / 5.90%	3.00% / .50%	3.00% / 3.90%

### Where We Are Now: FY 22

Category	SB	SDB	WOSB	HUBZone	SDVOSB (Goal/ Achievement)
Prime Contracting Goal	18.00%	10.70%	5.00%	3.00%	3.00%
Prime Contracting Achievement	25.02%	15.36%	9.88%	5.20%	5.34%

### **OSDBU Best Practices**



Collaborative relationship between OSDBU and Contracts Branch.



Facilitate meet and greets between industry and program offices.



Own and manage the NSF acquisition forecast.



Collaborative relationship with OMB, SBA, and other government agencies.



OSDBU/Program Office engagement form.



Plan and execute various outreach events.



OSDBU Star Award and Spotlight recognition

### **Internal and External Outreach**

#### Internal site.

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#### Doing business with NSF

The NSF Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, or OSDBU, is committed to ensuring NSF's contracting opportunities are transparent and accessible to small and disadvantaged businesses.

Learn more

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### **OSDBU Star Award**

The OSDBU Star Award recognizes NSF offices for their excellence in optimizing the utilization of small businesses when procuring goods and services for the National Science Foundation.

#### National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics

**OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT** NCSES is being recognized for exhibiting outstanding commitment and leadership in small business contracting at NSF.

**Excellence in Small Business Contracting & Collaboration** 





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## **Quarterly Recognition**



Each quarter the OSDBU highlights the NSF offices that exhibit outstanding achievements in small business contracting and partnering with the OSDBU.

## Looking Into the Future...

Revamping technological infrastructure of the OSDBU Office



Vendor engagement form



Database and customer communication system



Streamlining internal business workflows



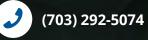
Improve vendor communication and transparency





## Questions/Comments

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### ENCLOSURE 10 Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC)



## Best Practices to Achieve Small Business Goals



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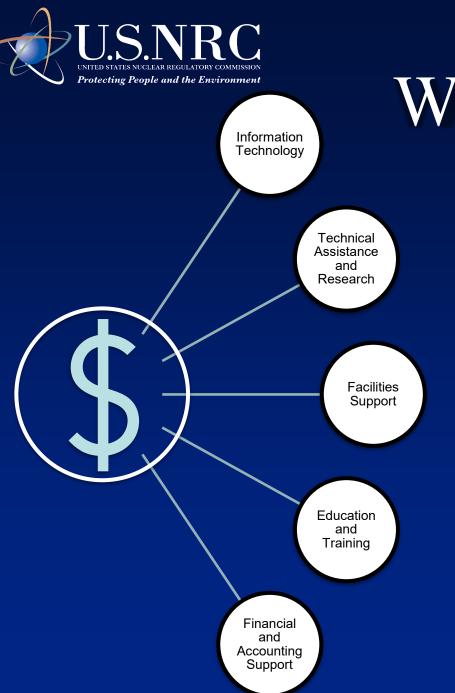


## Where: Locations



### When: Est. 1974

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## Best Practices





## Meet the Team



Vonna Ordaz Director



Anthony Briggs Program Manager



Tira Patterson Senior Small Business Specialist



Dian Saint Helpdesk Support (contractor)



## How We Help Buyers



Market Research Assistance



Compliance Guarantee & Warranty



SME on Demand

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## How We Help Businesses





## Small Business Toolbox

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	Contact us to learn more about opportunities: • Phone: (800) 903-SBCR • TDD: (301) 415-5244 • Email: smallbusiness@mrc.gov				



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#### ATTACHMENT 2 STATEMENT OF WORK (SOW)

C.1 Title of Project

Federal Identity, Credential, and Access Management (FICAM) Modernization and Operations and Maintenance of NRC Security System.

#### C.2 Introduction

The contractor shall provide all personnel, exploment, supplies, facilities, transportation, tools, materials, supervision, and other items and non-personal services necessary to parform operations and maintenance of MRC Security System at al NRC facilities as defined in this SON, except for those items specified as Government-turnished property and services. The construct shall perform to the standards in this contract/order.

This contract will support the NRC physical security system including physical access control, deset circuit television (CCTV) and intrusion detection for the protection of NRC personnel, facilities and information. The contract will comprise of the following three main tasks:

Task 1. Operations and maintenance (O&M) of the agency-wide NRC security system in its current state. Services will include but are not limited to providing general upkeep of the system and its parts, commissioning and decommissioning equipment, providing/installing supplies and equipment, and providing training of the system.

Task 2. Implementation of the modernized Physical Access Control System (PACS) (hardware and software) to meet the Federal Information Processing Standard Publication 201-2 (FIPS 201-2) and Federal Identity, Ordential, and Access Maragement (FICAM) transition plan requirements.

Task 3. O&M of the modernized security system.

#### C.3 Background

The NRC FICAM Transition Plan calls for the development of a Personal Identity Verification (PV) Enablement Strategy for NRC facilities based on National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) poolai Publication (SP) 800-116, FIPS 201-2 and "ICAM PIV in E-PACS Guidance v2.0.2" framework. As part of the FICAM transition plan, the NRC has been actively engaged in reviewing the NIST SP 800-116 guidance to improve the security access controls real NRC facilities.

A separate order or contract will be competitively awarded to provide for (1) an independent assessment of the current security system, and (2) to develop recommendations for modernizing PACS to most FIPS 2014-compliance (herninafter "DreferContract for the Modernized Design"). Modernizing PACS will will existing NRC system equipment to the greatest extent practical. The COR will evaluate the recommendations and determine the final modernized design solution that will be implemented as a task order under this FICAM Modernization and Openations and Maintenanou of NRC Security System contract. Naither the contractor not any subcontractor for this FICAM Modernization and Operations and Maintenanee of NRC



# Outreach

Host NRC sponsored events

- Participate in Procurement Events
- Co-Develop NRC's Small Business Training Course





#### U.S.NRC Small Business Exchange and Virtual Matchmaking Event

June 10, 2021



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# Return on Investment

Scorecard grade of A or higher for 10 years

Doubled the goal for SDBs, WOSBs, SDVOSBs, & HUBZones

More than 50% contract awards made to small businesses

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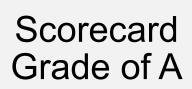


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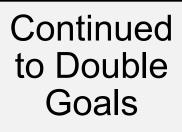
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# Thank You!



### ENCLOSURE 11 Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)



# **Best Practices** Briefing

Sharon G. Ridley **Executive Director** 

August 23, 2022



### VA OSDBU MISSION AND VISION

#### Concentrated on Access to Economic Opportunity

#### **Mission**

Support the Secretary's priorities by <u>enabling Veterans to gain</u> <u>access to economic opportunities</u> by developing policies and programs, informed by customer feedback, that improve market research, increase direct access, and maximize the participation of procurement ready Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Businesses (SDVOSBs) and Veteran-Owned Small Businesses (VOSBs) in Federal contracting.

#### Vision

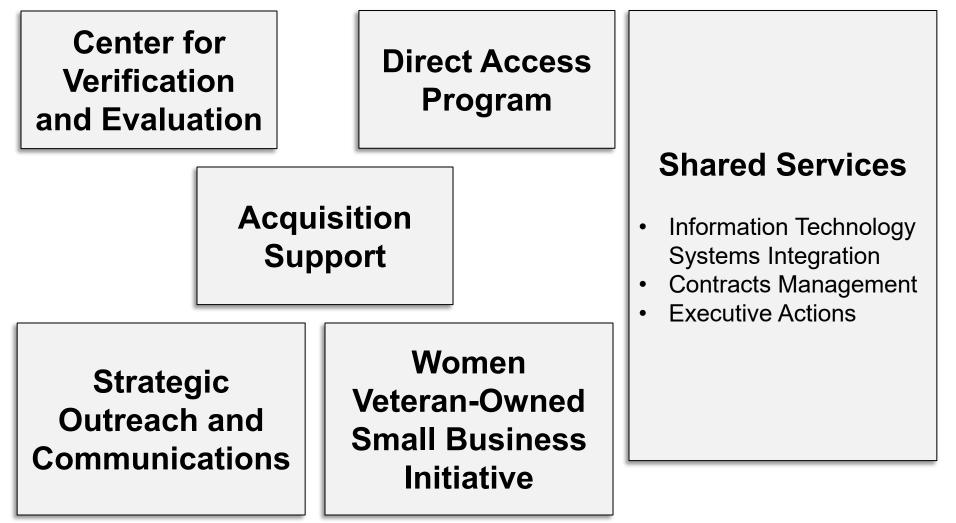
OSDBU is trusted by Veterans and VA staff to be responsive to customers' needs with policies and programs that successfully leverage the Federal procurement system to enable Veterans to gain access to economic opportunities.







### VA OSDBU CORE PROGRAM AREAS



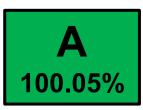
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### **SBA SMALL BUSINESS SCORECARD**

### **Department of Veterans Affairs**



Category	Small Business	Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business (SDVOSB)	Historically Underutilized Business Zone (HUBZone)	Small Disadvantaged Business (SDB)	Women- Owned Small Business (WOSB)
2021 Goal	28.45%	3.00%	3.00%	5.00%	5.00%
2021 Dollars	\$10.5B	\$8.2B	\$779.7M	\$3.9B	\$801.8M
2021 Achievement	30.38%	23.76%	2.25%	11.20%	2.31%
Comparable 2020 Achievement	26.58%	20.24%	1.98%	9.32%	2.44%

Source: SBA Small Business Scorecard for the Department of Veterans Affairs https://www.sba.gov/agency-scorecards/scorecard.html?agency=VA&year=2021









#### SENIOR LEADERSHIP SUPPORT

#### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

#### Memorandum

- April 25, 2022
- Secretary (00) Erom
- Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Socioeconomic Procurement Subi Goals (VIEWS 7111691)
- Under Secretaries, Assistant Secretaries, Other Key Officials, Deputy Assistant Secretaries, 10 Heads of Contracting Activity and Field Directors

1. As the third-largest Government agency measured by procurement dollars, VA provides indispensable support for the President's mandate to enhance equity for all Americans, To this end, the President directed VA and all agencies to scrutinize our procurement practices and remove barriers to participation. Executive Order 13985. "Advancing Racial Equity and Support for Underserved Communities Through the Federal Government," reminds us that access to such opportunities strengthens our economy for the benefit of all Americans. VA's mission as a responsible steward of taxpayer dollars must include leveraging our purchasing power to foster growth and opportunity in underserved communities.

2. Our small business and socioeconomic contracting goals provide useful benchmarks to ensure we remain committed to carry out these obligations. In addition to the goals negotiated with the Small Business Administration (SBA) for the Government-wide programs under their purview, I also have an obligation to set VA-specific goals for Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Businesses (SDVOSB) and Veteran-Owned Small Businesses (VOSB) under VA's Veterans First Contracting Program, I am therefore pleased to establish FY 2022 goals for the Department, as follows:

#### FY 2022 VA Department-wide Goals

Socioeconomic Category	Prime Contracting	Subcontracting		
All Small Business	26.94%	17.5%		
Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business	15.0%	5.0%		
Veteran-Owned Small Business	17.0%	7.0%		
HUBZone Small Business	3.0%	3.0%		
Small Disadvantaged Business (SDB)	10.2%	5.0%		
Women-Owned Small Business (WOSB)	5.0%	5.0%		

3. VA's pledge to SDVOSBs and VOSBs extends beyond simple achievement of goals. Congress charged us with a mission to place them at the top of our hierarchy for contracting opportunities whenever we need to purchase goods or services. The Supreme Court and lower courts have re-emphasized this priority.

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4. However, Congress did not waive our obligations to other types of small businesses. The Veterans First Contracting Program recognizes these commitments. and the law mandates an appropriate priority for applying these programs after considering SDVOSB and VOSB obligations. As the Federal agency principally responsible for Veteran programs, VA remains firmly committed to the Veterans First approach. Full implementation of that law also means carrying out other socioeconomic programs according to VA's statutory procurement hierarchy.

5. To aid VA's execution of the Department-wide goals, therefore, I direct the following prime contracting goals for the Head of Contracting Activity (HCA) organizations. These include HCAs within VA's three operating Administrations as well as those within the Office of Acquisition, Logistics and Construction (OALC).

#### FY 2022 HCA Prime Contracting Goals

Organization	All Small Business	SDVOSB	VOSB	HUBZone	SDB	WOSB
Administrations	The second second second second					
Veterans Health Administration	34.0%	23.0%	24.0%	2.3%	14.0%	3.0%
Veterans Benefits Administration	37.0%	28.0%	31.0%	3.0%	13.0%	2.0%
National Cemetery Administration	90.0%	80.0%	81.0%	9.0%	40.0%	4.0%
OALC						
Office of Construction and Facilities Management	80.0%	65.0%	65.0%	10.0%	43.0%	1.0%
National Acquisition Center	6.0%	4.0%	4.0%	0.5%	2.0%	1.0%
Strategic Acquisition Center	9.0%	7.0%	7.0%	1.0%	2.0%	2.0%
Technology Acquisition Center	38.0%	35.0%	36.0%	3.0%	16.0%	3.0%

6. These goals will be based upon all reported contract actions, as SBA measures. them, and will continue in force until VA and SBA negotiate and document new Department-wide goals in FY 2023. Thank you for your support of Veterans and VOSBs.

Denis McDonough

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### THE VETERANS FIRST CONTRACTING PROGRAM

# The Veterans First Contracting Program establishes a procurement hierarchy at VA, unlike parity for other agencies

- SDVOSB and VOSB set-asides must be considered before other small business programs
- Offerors must be verified SDVOSBs or VOSBs to compete
- VA also has Department-specific goals for SDVOSBs and VOSBs (15% and 17% in FY 2021)

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### TRACKING USE OF VETERANS FIRST PROGRAM

# OSDBU reports to the VA Operations Board on usage of Veterans First program authorities

- This required development of a definition for a new contract award decision and how to measure it in the Federal Procurement Data System
- The metric calculates what percentage of new award decisions are conducted as set-asides or sole-sources for SDVOSBs or VOSBs
- In FY 2021, VA made **43,460** new award decisions
  - 7,492 were Veterans First actions (17.2%)

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### **VA BEST PRACTICES**

- Organized structured events to provide VOSBs and other firms access to meaningful insight about procurement opportunities
- Improved VA's Market Research toolkit data analytics leading to better acquisition outcomes
- Launched the Women Veteran-Owned Small Business Initiative; a first-of-its-kind program aimed at increasing WOSB participation in Federal and commercial procurements, with a special focus on Women Veterans

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### **STAY CONNECTED WITH OSDBU**

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OSDBU Website: https://www.va.gov/osdbu/

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### ENCLOSURE 12 Social Security Administration (SSA)

## Social Security Administration



### **Social Security 101**



- Agency created by the Social Security Act of 1935
- Independent Agency (outside of cabinet)
- Central Office in Baltimore
- SSA is headed by a Commissioner
- 60,000 employees
- 15,000 State employees
- 10 regional offices, 8 processing centers, 1,230 field offices
- Deliver services to US embassies in over 100 countries



# SSA Benefits America!

Retirement

Disability

Our **mission** is to: Deliver Social Security Programs that meet the changing needs of the public

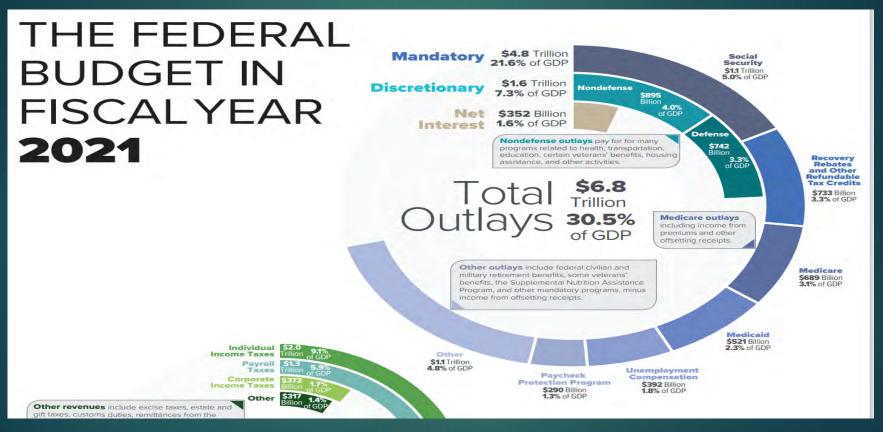
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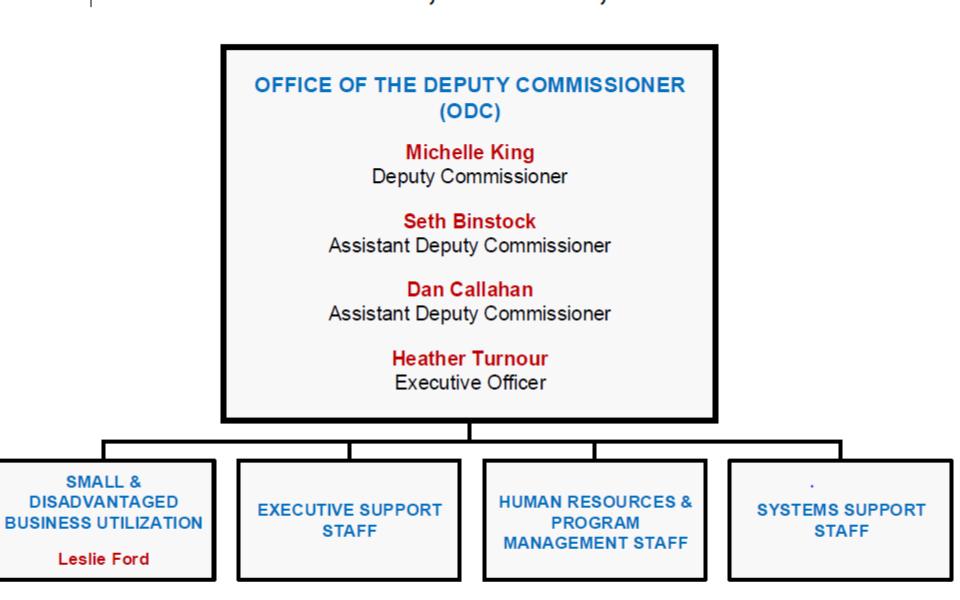
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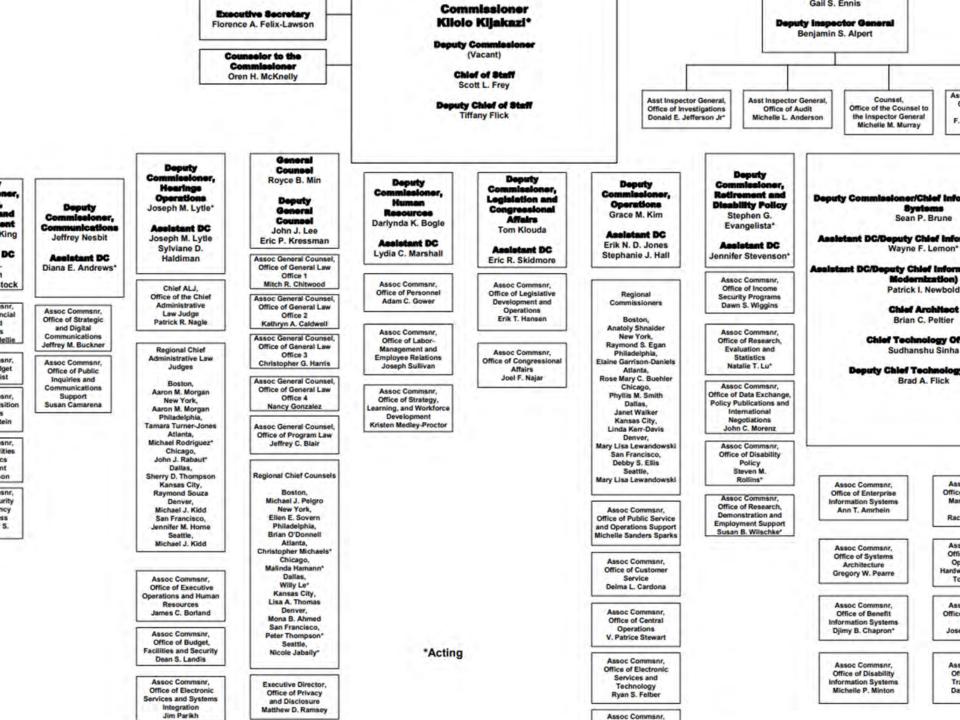
### The Importance of Social Security

#### **Total Federal Government Budget Outlays (\$6.8 trillion)**

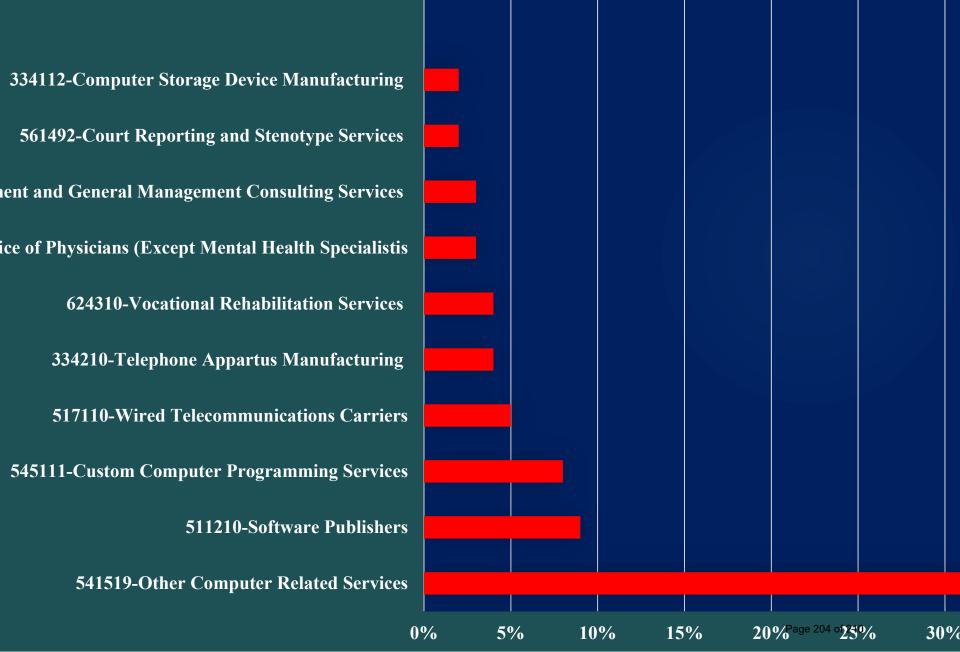


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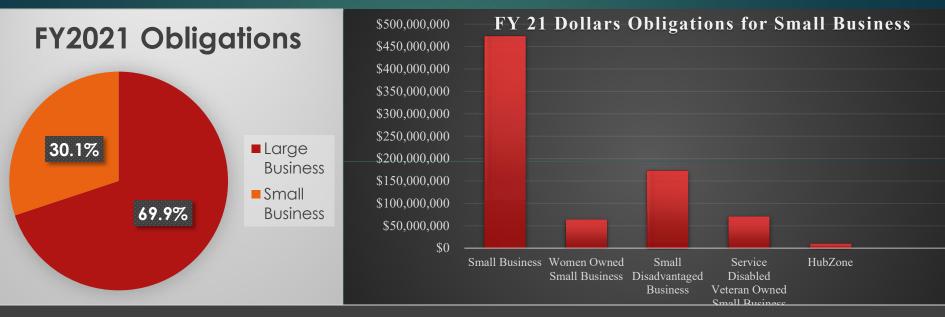




#### **Top 10 NAICS Code by Total FY 2021 SSA Award Dollars**



# SSA Small Business Administration Achievements



#### SSA OSDBU SBA Scorecard Grades FY 2013-2019



# What Does SSA Buy?

Information Technology	Movers
Hardware	Express ground domestic delivery services
IT software	Wireless service
IT support services	Business cards
Laptop and desk top computers	Color printers
Disaster recovery software	Desktop printers
Medical consultants	Fax machines
Architecture and engineering services	Printers
Building repairs and alterations	Employee training
Relocation services	Security services Page 206 of 210

# SSA's Handbook Requirement for Sources Sought

- Under H2319 of SSA's Handbook, our agency requires recent market research results.
- Any open market acquisition over the SAT (including options) that requires OSDBU review must have documentation that it was synopsized as a sources source within the last eight months.
- The CO must include in its documentation for these types of acquisitions the following:
  - Copy of the posted sources sought; and
  - List of all vendors that responded to the sources sought, and a determination (for each vendor) as to whether they are capable of performing the work and if not include an explanation as to why.
- This requirement is a vital piece of helping the COs make the rule of two set-aside determinations.

### Acquisition Team Workshops

- Teams consists of Contracting Officers, Contracting Officer's Representatives, Technical Experts and Legal Counsel.
- Teams focus on a strategy for an upcoming major procurement. During the workshop, the team will focus on defining the requirement, market research, drafting the statement of work, evaluation language, and evaluation factors.
- The workshops are five days long and includes training from other relevant components that affect the acquisition process.
- During the workshop week, the SADBUS is invited to speak with all the teams on small business programs. During that training the SADBUS will focus on the following:
- 1) Market research, including the importance of conducting request for information and sources sought to determine the capabilities of the marketplace. These tools also help the teams make a more informed decision on determining small set-asides.
- 2) Socioeconomic programs, including the different types of programs and SSA's Small Business Administration goals for each program.
- 3) The Small Business Subcontracting Program, Mentor-Protégé Program (including joint ventures), 8(a) Program, and Contractor Teaming Arrangements under GSA all to help encourage using small businesses for our requirements.
- 4) Promoting the use of Federal Strategic Sourcing Initiative Contracts, OASIS Small Business Contracts, GWAC such as 8(a) Stars III, VETS 2, and Alliant 2.

# Other Best Practices

- Monthly Vendor Outreach Sessions and Outreach via Webinars
- Bi-Weekly Staff Meetings with Office of the Commissioner
- Quarterly Dashboard Report of Small Business Goal Performance to Senior Executives
- SADBUS conducted required training on Small Business Programs, FAR Part 19, and SSA Handbook requirements for all new Purchasing Agents and Contract Specialists.
- Presentations at quarterly CO Forums on any changes to small business programs.
- Annual Small Business Procurement Conference

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