



US SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (SBA)

▶▶ sba.gov/contracting/government-contracting-programs

The U.S. Small Business Administration has delivered millions of loans, loan guarantees, contracts, counseling sessions and other forms of assistance to small businesses. They also offer two small business certification programs; HUBZone and 8(a)/SDB; and valuable information for starting a business. Additional resources within SBA are (click the name of each program to connect you to their website): SCORE Chapters, Small Business Development Centers, Women's Business Centers, U.S. Export Assistance Centers, Veteran's Business Outreach Centers, Certified Development Companies, Procurement Technical Assistance Centers

WASHINGTON PROCUREMENT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CENTER (PTAC)

▶▶ washingtonptac.org

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SMALL BUSINESS TRANSPORTATION RESOURCE CENTER (SBTRC)

▶▶ dot.gov/osdbu

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MINORITY CONTRACTORS (NAMC)

▶▶ namcnational.org

The National Association of Minority Contractors of Washington (NAMC of WA.) is a 501 C (6) nonprofit trade association that was established in 2010 to address the needs and concerns of minority contractors. While membership is open to people of all races and ethnic backgrounds, the organization's mandate, "Building Bridges - Crossing Barriers," focuses on construction industry concerns common to African Americans, Asian Americans, Hispanic Americans, and Native Americans.

NORTHWEST MOUNTAIN MINORITY SUPPLIER DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL (NMSDC)

▶▶ nwmmmsdc.org/about

For over 35 years, the Northwest Mountain Minority Supplier Development Council (NW MTN MSDC) has been linking major corporations and public agencies to minority-owned businesses, a multi-billion dollar sector representing and impacting today's global economy. The Northwest Mountain MSDC currently serves the states of Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.

SBA OFFICE OF NATIVE AMERICAN AFFAIRS

▶▶▶ sba.gov/about-sba/sba-locations/headquarters-offices/office-native-american-affairs

The Office of Native American Affairs mission is to ensure that American Indians, Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiians seeking to create, develop and expand small businesses have full access to the necessary business development and expansion tools available through the Agency's entrepreneurial development, lending and procurement programs.

NATIVE PROCUREMENT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CENTER (NATIVE PTAC)

▶▶▶ aptac-us.org/contracting-assistance-for-business/find-an-american-indian-ptac

The Native Procurement Technical Assistance Center (Native PTAC) is a free, grant funded, community resources. We are hosted by Two Rivers CDC, a 501 (c)3, whose mission is the focus on sustainable economic development and quality of life issues within the Native American community. The Native PTAC helps individual and tribally owned Native firms to become more successful in contracting with federal, state and local governments. We do this by providing one-to-one assistance with government certifications and registrations, classes and workshops, bid match opportunities, interpretation of solicitations, bid/proposal reviews, marketing advice, and contract performance support for designated socio-economic programs.

SEATTLE COMMUNITY CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT

▶▶▶ businessimpactnw.org

Community Capital Development is a consortium of non-profit community development organizations. This includes a community development corporation that provides training, counseling and membership. CCD also includes a certified community development financial institution that provides access to capital and business assistance to small businesses, with special emphasis on low-income, women and minority entrepreneurs and small businesses in distressed and underserved communities in Washington State. CCD's approach to economic development and alleviating poverty is through self-sufficiency achieved through entrepreneurialism.

TABOR 100

▶▶▶ tabor100.org

Tabor 100 is an association of entrepreneurs and business advocates who are committed to economic power, educational excellence and social equity for African-Americans and the community at large.

WASHINGTON STATE SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTERS

▶▶▶ wsbdc.org

The Washington SBDC promotes economic vitality within Washington communities by providing expert business advising, demand-driven training, and applied research to existing businesses and entrepreneurs. The SBDC is a cooperative effort of Washington State University, other educational institutions, economic development organizations and the US Small Business Administration.



OFFICE OF MINORITY & WOMEN'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISES (OMWBE)

▶▶ omwbe.wa.gov

The Office of Minority and Women's Business Enterprises OMWBE ensures equity & opportunity for minority, women, & disadvantaged business owners and State certification. The OMWBE is the sole certifying agency for small businesses owned and controlled by minority, women, and socially and economically disadvantaged individuals in Washington State.

CITY OF TACOMA

▶▶ cityoftacoma.org/business

The Small Business Enterprise (SBE) Office - formerly known as the Historically Underutilized Business Office (HUB) - administers Title VI compliance, the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE), Women and Minority Business Enterprise (W/MBE), and SBE Small Business Assistance Programs.

KING COUNTY

▶▶ kingcounty.gov/services/business.aspx

To create opportunities for King County and its contractors to make use of SCS firms on county contracts and increase the competitiveness of these firms as: Prime Contractors and Subcontractors; Consultants; and Suppliers. The program will apply to county contracts for: Goods & Services; Consulting Services; and Construction.

PORT OF SEATTLE

▶▶ portseattle.org/programs/diversity-contracting

The Port of Seattle tracks Women/Minority Business Enterprises (WMBE) participation for those firms that identify themselves as a WMBE business. The Port is committed to selecting and increasing the utilization of WMBE businesses in its contracting process.

WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN'S AFFAIRS

▶▶ dva.wa.gov/veterans-their-families/veteran-owned-businesses

Your Washington State Department of Veterans Affairs is committed to promoting Veteran/Service member Owned Businesses. This Registry is one way that our state and its citizens can honor you by promoting your business and its products and services statewide.

WOMEN'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISE NATIONAL COUNCIL (WBENC)

▶▶ www.wbenc.org/certification

ASTRA Women's Business Alliance and WBENC have partnered to offer this Women's Business Enterprise program. The Women's Business Enterprise National Council (WBENC), founded in 1997, is the largest third-party certifier of businesses owned, controlled, and operated by women in the United States. WBENC, a national 501(c)(3) non-profit, partners with 14 Regional Partner Organizations to provide its world class standard of certification to women-owned businesses throughout the country.



GSA ASSISTANCE FOR SMALL BUSINESSES

▶▶▶ gsa.gov/small-business

The federal government's landlord GSA's Public Buildings Service, buys everything building-related: construction services and supplies, infrastructure, facility supplies and maintenance. Also professional and technical services and consulting. GSA's other half, the Federal Acquisition Service (FAS), negotiates contracts for the procurement of just about everything.

US DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM

▶▶▶ transportation.gov/civil-rights/disadvantaged-business-enterprise

The Department of Transportation (DOT) is dedicated to serving our community, including those businesses contracting with state agencies and recipients of DOT funds. The Department's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program is designed to remedy ongoing discrimination and the continuing effects of past discrimination in federally-assisted highway, transit, airport, and highway safety financial assistance transportation contracting markets nationwide. The primary remedial goal and objective of the DBE program is to level the playing field by providing small businesses owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals a fair opportunity to compete for federally funded transportation contracts.

PROCUREMENT ASSISTANCE DIVISION

▶▶▶ transportation.gov/osdbu/procurement-assistance/talk-dot-small-business-specialist

The Procurement Assistance Division is responsible for working closely with each of the Operating Administrations' Small Business specialists to ensure that adequate procurement opportunities are made available to small businesses.