

Good Faith Efforts Submittal

If you have not met the UDBE goal, complete and submit the Good Faith Efforts Documentation form with the bid showing that you made adequate good faith efforts to meet the goal. Only good faith efforts directed towards obtaining participation by UDBEs will be considered. If good faith efforts documentation is not submitted with the bid, it must be received by the Department no later than 4:00 p.m. on the 4th business day after bid opening.

If your UDBE Commitment form shows that you have met the UDBE goal or if you are required to submit the UDBE Commitment form, you must also submit good faith efforts documentation within the specified time to protect your eligibility for award of the contract in the event the Department finds that the UDBE goal has not been met.

Good faith efforts documentation must include the following information and supporting documents, as necessary:

1. Items of work you have made available to UDBE firms. Identify those items of work you might otherwise perform with its own forces and those items that have been broken down into economically feasible units to facilitate UDBE participation. For each item listed, show the dollar value and percentage of the total contract. It is your responsibility to demonstrate that sufficient work to meet the goal was made available to UDBE firms.
2. Names of certified UDBEs and dates on which they were solicited to bid on the project. Include the items of work offered. Describe the methods used for following up initial solicitations to determine with certainty if the UDBEs were interested, and the dates of the follow-up. Attach supporting documents such as copies of letters, memos, facsimiles sent, telephone logs, telephone billing statements, and other evidence of solicitation. You are reminded to solicit certified UDBEs through all reasonable and available means and provide sufficient time to allow UDBEs to respond.
3. Name of selected firm and its status as a UDBE for each item of work made available. Include name, address, and telephone number of each UDBE that provided a quote and their price quote. If the firm selected for the item is not a UDBE, provide the reasons for the selection.
4. Name and date of each publication in which you requested UDBE participation for the project. Attach copies of the published advertisements.
5. Names of agencies and dates on which they were contacted to provide assistance in contacting, recruiting, and using UDBE firms. If the agencies were contacted in writing, provide copies of supporting documents.
6. List of efforts made to provide interested UDBEs with adequate information about the plans, specifications, and requirements of the contract to assist them in responding to a solicitation. If you have provided information, identify the name of the UDBE assisted, the nature of the information provided, and date of contact. Provide copies of supporting documents, as appropriate.
7. List of efforts made to assist interested UDBEs in obtaining bonding, lines of credit, insurance, necessary equipment, supplies, and materials, excluding supplies and equipment that the UDBE subcontractor purchases or leases from the prime contractor or its affiliate. If such assistance is provided by you, identify the name of the UDBE assisted, nature of the assistance offered, and date. Provide copies of supporting documents, as appropriate.
8. Any additional data to support demonstration of good faith efforts.