City of Austin Small and Minority Business Resources

2023 Accomplishments

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Completed Initiatives

- Inclusive Procurement Working Group (IPWG) Final Report March 2023
- MBE/WBE Procurement Program Ordinance Adopted July 2023
- Extended Minority Trade Alliance Contracts September 2023
- MBE/WBE Administrative Rule Revision Process Finalized November 2023
- Hosted the 18th Annual Diversity in Contracting Awards December 2023
- New Personal Net Worth Calculation January 2024



Minority and Small Business Connection Conference

- SMBR collaborated with the City's Economic Development Department and Financial Services Department to provide small, minority, women and disadvantaged business enterprises an opportunity to network, receive training and learn about upcoming procurement opportunities.
- **392 Attendees** ۲





University of Texas Consortium

- SMBR collaborated with the University of Texas, Travis County, AISD, ACC, Capital Metro, Austin Transit Partners on a consortium to provide a Readiness Training Program to assist in developing opportunities to small, minority and women-owned businesses.
- Participation to Date:

Fall 2022 – 39 participants/29 certified as MBE/WBE Spring 2023 – 34 participants/18 certified as MBE/WBE Fall 2023 – 38 participants/21 certified as MBE/WBE

B2G Enhancements

In March 2023, SMBR launched a new feature in the Certification and Compliance System (CCS) which included enhancements, such as online submission of Contractor's/Consultant's monthly expenditure reports (formerly known as the Sub-K Report) and automated tracking of progress towards meeting MBE/WBE and DBE participation goals

B2G Award

 SMBR received the "Energizer Bunny" award at the B2Gnow annual DRIVE User Training B2Gnow DRIVE. The award recognizes the department's positive outlook and dedicated perseverance to successfully implement the compliance module.



Partnerships

Partnered with City departments and various agencies to advance initiatives related to Supportive Services









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Comments

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