

BEST PRACTICES FOR MINORITY PARTICIPATION& GOOD FAITH EFFORT DOCUMENTATION



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Mission & Purpose

Orange County Government is interested in increasing and promoting the participating in and award of contracts to:

 Minority and women-owned businesses in accordance with the M/WBE Ordinance.



By certifying and utilizing M/WBE businesses in the procurement process to achieve goals:

25% Construction

27% Professional Services

24% Services

10% Goods

Mission & Purpose

 Registered Service Disabled Veterans (SDV) in accordance with the SDV Ordinance



By Registering SDV for utilization in the procurement process,

Bonus points given to proposers on Request for Proposals (RFP).

Bid preference given when bidding as a Prime on Invitation for Bids.

Recent M/WBE Program Changes

Effective August 11, 2020, the Orange County Board of County Commissioners

approved an M/WBE ordinance amendment to delete the "sliding scale" provision in Construction services category. As a result, all contractors would be required to either:

- (1) meet the County's M/WBE Participation Goal; or
- (2) provide the County with evidence that it made a Good Faith Effort (GFE) to meet such goal, in order to be awarded a construction contact.

Failure to meet the goal or provide sufficient GFE would result in the bid being found non-responsive.

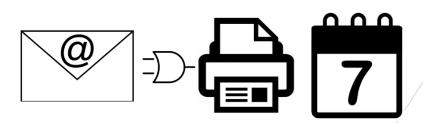
If the established goals are not achieved, to maximize consideration for M/WBE participation, Bidders must provide with the bid sufficient documentation to substantiate that <u>ALL FIVE</u> of the mandatory efforts were undertaken.

Criteria i.

If a bidder desires to meet the good faith effort documentation requirements

he/she must provide written notice to certified M/WBEs <u>as it relates to</u> the scopes of services in the bid documents that the Bidder intends to subcontract.

The notice shall be by e-mail or fax, no fewer than seven (7) calendar days prior to bid or proposal opening. All e-mails and faxes shall include the legal name of the M/WBE firm.



Continued Criteria i.

The notice **shall** advise the M/WBE's:

- a. that their interest in the contract is being solicited;
- b. of the specific work the Bidder intends to subcontract
- c. how to obtain information about and review the contract plans and specifications;
- d. about information on bonding, insurance and other pertinent requirements;

All requirements as it relates to the bonding, insurance and pre-qualifications must be given to the M/WBE's at the time the notice is provided. This information must be received and decisions to utilize the M/WBE must be known and denoted on Attachment C-2 prior to the bid submittal.

Continued Criteria i.

- e. the deadline for bid or proposal submissions to the Bidder and the bid due date to the County;
- f. 24 hours notice of any addenda.



Criteria ii.

If M/WBE goals were not achieved, the bidder shall provide an explanation as to why the scopes of service listed in the bid documents were not subcontracted on Attachment C-2. This is to be done when there is M/WBE availability only.



Criteria iii.

Bidders shall follow up initial submittals of interest by contacting M/WBEs and documenting using a **contact log**, which shall include

the firm's name,
address,
contact information (e-mail, telephone
and/or fax numbers),
scope of work requested, the date,
name of person making the effort,
denote if M/WBEs will bid, time quote
received and notes denoting if plans
and specifications were sent.

Each bidder shall use the standardized contact log, Attachment C- 4.

Criteria iv.

In instances where a non-minority/
non-woman contractor is listed for
work for which M/WBE availability
exists, the Bidder shall submit **ALL**quotations received from M/WBEs **AND** the listed non-M/WBE within
twenty-four (24) hours, if it is
determined that the bidder is
one of the three (3) apparent
low Bidders.



Continued Criteria iv.

The Bidder shall provide an **explanation** as to **why** the **M/WBE's quotations were not accepted**. Receipt of a lower quotation from a non-M/WBE prior to bid opening will not in itself excuse a Bidder's failure to meet M/WBE participation goals.

However, a Bidder's good faith effort obligation does not require a Bidder to accept a quotation from a M/WBE which is an unreasonable price.

Continued Criteria iv.

For the purpose of this subsection, "unreasonable price" means a price above (or below) competitive levels which cannot be attributed to the M/WBE's attempt to cover costs inflated by the present effect of discrimination.



Criteria v.

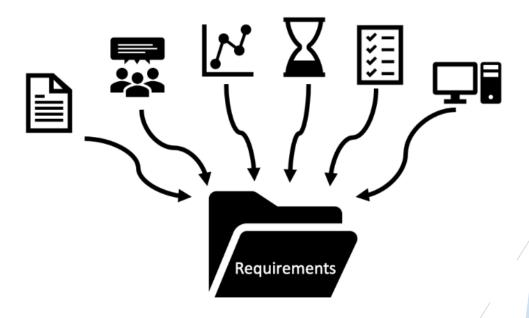
The Bidder shall contact the Business Development Division staff as a resource to obtain M/WBE participation.



Note: Each solicitation is subjected to be reviewed on a case by case basis depending upon what documentation is submitted by the Bidder.

Good Faith Effort (GFE) Requirements Credits

Good Faith Effort credit means that if a Bidder fails to meet requirements (i) through (iv) of the abovementioned GFE requirements, then the contractor will be permitted to substitute one (1) of the following with documentation showing that:



Good Faith Effort (GFE) Requirements Credits

- 1)The Disney Entrepreneur Center (DEC) was used to host a workshop that informed M/WBE firms how to better prepare for subcontracting opportunities;
- 2)The contractor has participated in Orange County Business Development Division's sponsored "How to do Business" workshop;
- 3)The contractor has sponsored a match-maker event with certified M/WBE firms.

All contractors will receive a certificate to document the service was successfully completed.

- 1. Strive to achieve the M/WBE goals listed in the solicitation.
 - Review the IFB to determine the overall goal and all of the project scope of services.
 - Search the M/WBE directory to obtain the listing of M/WBE firms that provide these services.
 - Contact the M/WBE firms for interest and obtain quotes.



2. Submit all information for GFE criteria in its entirety.



- 3. Use only Orange County certified M/WBE firms in the calculation towards the M/WBE goal.
 - All firms are given a certificate denoting their certified scopes of services.
 - Each certificate has a expiration period.
 - All certified firms are listed on the County's website.



4. Submit all quotes (non-M/WBE's & MWBE's) for scope of services subcontracted out on Attachment C-2.



- 5. Complete Attachment C-2 in its entirety, if maximum M/WBE participation is desired
 - Bidders must list all proposed subcontractors and suppliers to be used.
 - Indicate the estimated percentage of work to be selfperform

If maximum M/WBE participation is desired, bidders must list all proposed Subcontractors and suppliers to be used. Provide company names; contacts, addresses, phone numbers; work to be performed with the Contractor's own workforce, including estimated dollar amount allocated for the entire contract, including all Option Years (if applicable) for that work (work that is consistently and historically performed in-house); total amount to be paid to this sub/supplier (do not discount supply dollars); and M/WBE designation or if non-M/WBE (Majority). See Instructions to Bidders, Part C, for complete M/WBE requirements. Provide all information requested. Use additional sheets if necessary. Failure to provide all of the information requested may negatively impact the M/WBE evaluation.

1.	What is the estimated percent of work that the Prime Contractor will self- List these areas below with approximate dollar amounts to be allocated fo		%	
2.	Is all work (whether to be subbed or self-performed) listed below? Are all material suppliers listed? If no, please explain.	Yes X Yes X	No No	
3.	Is your firm certified through Orange County as an M/WBE? (See Part C for specific requirements for certified M/WBE firms)	Yes	No X	
4.	Is your firm registered through Orange County as a Registered Service Disabled-Veteran (SDV)?	Yes	No X	

PRIME CONTRACTOR/SUBCONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER INFORMATION

	COMPANY NAME, CONTACT ADDRESS PHONE NUMBER		INDICATE THE WORK TO BE PERFOR	DOLLAR AMOUNT	O.C. CERTIFIED M/WBE OR NON-M/WBE; OR
	FHONE NUMBER		SUPPLIEDIN THE BOX BY THE SUB-	72.1200112	REGISTERED SDV
			CONTRACTOR AND CIRCLE		
			THE SCOPE CLASSIFICATION		
1	. ABC Prime; 123 Main Street; Orlando 32222		Sub/ Supplier/ (In-house) (circle one)	61 500 000	Non-M/WBE
	(407) 222-3333		Demolition, Erosion Control, MOT, Pavement, Landscape, Fencing and Erosion & Control	\$1,500,000	NON-IVI/ W BE
2	. XYZ Electrical; 123 Main Street; Orlando	1	Sub/ Supplier/ In-house (circle one)		M/WBE
	32767; (321) 423-5555		Electrical	\$431,000	WWBE
3	Sanitary Services; 999 Waste Way;	(Sub/ Supplier/ In-house (circle one)	\$27,000	Non- M/WBE
	Orlando 32767; (321) 111-6666		installation of Sewer Services	327,000	NOR- NE VI DE

JBC Construction Inc.	President	
Signature of Bidder	Title	

- 5. Continued. Complete Attachment C-2 in its entirety, by:
 - Listing All proposed subcontractors and supplier
 - Providing their company name, contact address and phone number
 - Indicating the work to be performed or commodity to be supplied
 - Circling the scope of classification (sub, Supplier or In-house)
 - Denoting the **Dollar Amount**
 - Indicating if the firm is an O.C. Certified M/WBE or Non-M/WBE

Example of a completed Attachment C-2.

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2.	Is all work (whether to be subbed or self-performed) listed below? Are all material suppliers listed? If no, please explain.	Yes X No	
3.	Is your firm certified through Orange County as an M/WBE? (See Part C for specific requirements for certified M/WBE firms)	Yes _X	
4.	Is your firm registered through Orange County as a Registered Service Disabled-Veteran (SDV)?	Yes No_ X	

PRIME CONTRACTOR/SUBCONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER INFORMATION

	COMPANY NAME, CONTACT ADDRESS PHONE NUMBER	INDICATE THE WORK TO BE PERFOR (TRADE) OR COMMODITY TO BE SUPPLIEDIN THE BOX BY THE SUB- CONTRACTOR AND CIRCLE	DOLLAR AMOUNT	O.C. CERTIFIED M/WBE OR NON-M/WBE; OR REGISTERED SDV
		THE SCOPE CLASSIFICATION		
1.	PRC Construction Inc; 131 Minority Street; Oviedo 32765 (407) 365-3333	Sub/ Supplier/ In-house (circle one) Manage, schedule, underground, grading, lift stations, temp rds, concrete, lack bore, water lines, cleanup, fencing	\$790,446	M/WBE
2.	Central FL Electrical; 666 Central Blvd; Orlando 32803; (407) 422-3243	Sub Supplier/ In-house (circle one) Electrical		M/WBE
3.		Sub/ Supplier/ In-house (circle one)		

PRC Construction Inc.	President	
Signature of Bidder	Title	
ATTACHMENT C-2		

Example of a completed Attachment C-2

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3.	Is your firm certified through Orange County as an M/WBE? (See Part C for specific requirements for certified M/WBE firms)	Yes	No X	
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l.	Premium Construction; 1212 Premium Way; Orlando 32711 (321) 523-5455	Sub/ Supplier n-house circle one) Under drain, Base, MOT, Cleaning/grubbing Exequation, Restoration, Supervision	\$5,498,000	Non-M/WBE
	Run Away Transport; 4444 Transport Way; Orlando 32718; (407) 322-7777	Sub) Supplier/ In-house (circle one) Trucking, Asphalt & Concrete	\$1,650,000	M/WBE
	Piping Supplier; 1000 Piping Way; Orlando 32767; (321) 777-9999	Sub/ Supplier In-house (circle one) Underdrain Fittings/ Supplier	\$633,137.31	M/WBE
N	Construction Inc.	President		

Title

ATTACHMENT C-2

Signature of Bidder

6. Complete Attachment C-4 in its entirety,



Example of a completed Attachment C-4:

GOOD FAITH EFFORT M/WBE CONTACT LOG (See Part C, SECTION 3, Paragraph E-iii)
(The Completed form is Required only if Good Faith Effort Documentation is being provided as part of this Bid)
IFB# Y21-725

Company's Name	Email or Fax	Phone Number	Date Contacted M/WBE	Contact Method (Phone, Email or Fax)	Firm to Bid Yes or No	Date and Time Quote Received	Total amount of the M/WBE Quote	Denote if used Total amount of the M/WBE Quote Yes or No
XYZ Construction	xyz@gmail.com	(321) 423-5555	3/24/2021	Email	Yes	4/1/2021 9 AM	\$431,000	Yes
Electrical ABC	Eabc@att.net	(321) 333-4444	3/24/2021	Email	Yes	4/2/2021 4 PM	\$500,000	No
Electrical DEF	Edef@gmail.com	(407) 666-7777	3/24/2021	Email	Yes	4/2/2021	\$445,000	No
Electrical GHI	Eghi@yahoo.com	(321) 888-9999	3/24/2021	Email	No	None rcvd	didn't rcvd	none rcvd

NOT COMPLETING ALL COLUMNS AND SIGNING THIS LOG WILL NEGATIVELY IMPACT YOUR GOOD FAITH EFFORT EVALUATION. Under penalty of perjury, I declare that I have read the foregoing and the facts stated in it are true. False statements may result in criminal prosecution for a felony of the third degree as provided for in Section 92.525 (3), Florida Statutes. I,

ATTACHMENT C-4

IFB No/ Project Name

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GOOD FAITH EFFORT M/WBE CONTACT LOG (See Part C, SECTION 3, Paragraph E-iii)
(The Completed form is Required only if Good Faith Effort Documentation is being provided as part of this Bid)
IFB# Y21-1000

Constance Sempher Name of Person Contacting Firms: Denote if Contact Date and Total used Total Date Method Firm to Bid Time amount of amount of **Email or Fax** Company's Name Phone Number Contacted (Phone, Yes or No Quote the M/WBE the M/WBE M/WBE Email or Received Quote Quote Yes Fax) or No VR Construction VLway@gmail.com 407-666-5811 email 355 Cotton Way 4/12/21 Yes Yes 4/16/21 \$41,000 Orlando 32801 3 PM 365 Asphalt blake@365asphalt.com 407-415-3435 4/12/21 email N/A N/A N/A No response 365 Cotton Rd Way 4/15/21 email No N/A N/A N/A Kissimmee 34741 True Transport Inc 407-365-4545 4/12/2021 Lee@truetransport.com email No response N/A N/A N/A 4565 True Vine Way 4/15/2021 phone To provide N/A Yes N/A Orlando 32801 tomorrow /16/21@ 1PM \$120,000

NOT COMPLETING ALL COLUMNS AND SIGNING THIS LOG WILL NEGATIVELY IMPACT YOUR GOOD FAITH EFFORT EVALUATION.

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Robert Gack

(Signature off Authorized Agent).

ATTACHMENT C-4

IFB No/ Project Name

1. If I meet the M/WBE goal, do I have to provide GFE documentation with my bid?

Response: Bidders meeting or exceeding the M/WBE goals do not need to provide GFE documentation.



2. How do I contact the Business Development Division staff as a resource to obtain M/WBE participation if I am providing GFE documentation?

Response: Bidders seeking assistance to meet the M/WBE goal can email the general mailbox at businessdevelopment@ocfl.net.



3. Do I still need to provide quotes if in 24 hours if I am not one of the three apparent low bidders?

Response: If you are not one of the three apparent low bidders you do not have to provide copies of the quotes within 24 hours.

However, it is suggested that you submit all of the quotes at the time of bid submittal. Just in case the three apparent low bidders are found non-responsive.



4. Is the bidder permitted to submit the GFE documentation after the bid opening?

Response: GFE criteria i., ii., iii. and v. must be submitted with the bid at the time of bid submittal.

GFE criteria iv. must be provided within 24 hours.



5. Does attachment C-4 have to be completed in its entirety?

Response: Yes. All columns of this form should be completed. Also, the form must be signed and dated.



6. By completing the attachment C-4 and submitting emails for the M/WBE firms listed on the form, does this fulfill all of the GFE requirements?

Response: No, Bidders must provide with the bid sufficient documentation to substantiate that <u>ALL FIVE</u> of the mandatory efforts were undertaken.



7. How do I find Orange County certified M/WBE firms?

Response: A complete minority vendor listing can be found at: http://netapps.ocfl.net/MWBE/default.aspx?Report Type=Complete;

A complete Graduate listing of Orange County certified firms can be found at:

http://netapps.ocfl.net/MWBE/defa
ult.aspx?Report Type=Graduate



8. What is the difference between the complete minority vendor list of certified M/WBE's and the complete Graduate listing of certified M/WBE firms?

Response: The difference between the two M/WBE listings is the Graduate listing are certified M/WBE firms that have a net worth of \$2.3 million dollars or more.



9. How do I find Orange County registered SDV firms?

Response: A complete SDV vendor listing can be found at: http://netapps.ocfl.net/MWBE/default.aspx?Report_Type=SDV



10. Can I use a Registered SDV firm to count towards the M/WBE goal?

Response: No, the Registered SDV program is different from the M/WBE program.



Contact Information

We're Here to Help!
Your success means an bidding opportunity for our certified M/WBE firms and registered SDV firms

Contact
Orange County Business Development:
(407) 836-7317

Or send an email to: BusinessDevelopment@ocfl.net

