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SBA Certification Programs

• Small Disadvantaged Business (SDB)
• Woman Owned Small Business (WOSB)
• Economically Disadvantaged Woman Owned Small Business (EDWOSB)
• Veteran Owned Small Business (VOSB)
• Service-Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business (SDVOSB)
• HUBZone Certified Business
• 8(a) Certified Business
Each year, the federal government set aside 23 percent of its federal contracting dollars for small business.

SBA certification programs were created to help small business win federal contracts.

Through SBA certification, you have an exclusive opportunity to win set-aside and sole source contracts.
Small Disadvantaged Business (SDB)

- Qualifications
  - The firm must be 51% or more owned & controlled by one or more disadvantaged individuals
  - The disadvantaged individual must be socially and economically disadvantaged
  - The firm must be small according to SBA’s size standards
Woman Owned (WOSB) & Economically Disadvantaged Woman Owned Small Business (EDWOSB)

- **WOSB Qualifications**
  - Be a small business according to SBA size standards
  - Be at least 51% owned and controlled by a woman who is U.S. Citizen
  - Have women manage day-to-day operations and make the long-term decisions

- **EDWOSB Qualifications**
  - Meet all requirements of the WOSB certification
  - The woman/women upon who the certification is based, must be economically disadvantaged
Veteran-Owned (VOSB) & Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business (SDVOSB)

- **VOSB Qualifications**
  - A firm must be unconditionally owned and controlled by one or more veteran who received an honorable discharge from the armed forces

- **SDVOSB Qualifications**
  - A firm must be unconditionally owned and controlled by one or more service-disabled veterans who received an honorable discharge from the armed forces

- Both programs are currently controlled through VA’s Center for Verification and Evaluation (CVE) and is expected to transfer to SBA control in 2023
HUBZone Program

Qualifications

- Be a small business according to SBA size standards
- Be at least 51% owned and controlled by a U.S. citizen, a community Development Corporation, an agricultural cooperative, an Alaska Native Corporation, a Native Hawaiian Organization, or an Indian Tribe
- Have its principal office located in a designated HUBZone
- Have at least 35% of its employees living in a designated HUBZone
Qualifications

- A firm must be a small business according to SBA size standards
- Must be 51% owned and controlled by a U.S. citizen who is socially and economically disadvantaged
- Demonstrate good character
- Demonstrate the potential for success such as having been in business for two years
Please visit SBA’s federal contracting page to learn more about these certification programs:

www.SBA.gov

Thank you!