

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-114

AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A THREE-YEAR OVERALL ANNUAL GOAL FOR DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE) PARTICIPATION IN THE AUTHORITY'S FEDERALLY FUNDED CONTRACT PROCUREMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEARS 2022 THRU 2024, AND IT'S SUBMISSION TO THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION

WHEREAS, the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) and the Federal Transit Administration regulations for the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program, Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations Part 26, require the establishment of an overall goal for the participation of DBE's in federally funded contracts; and

WHEREAS, the Authority's DBE Program requires that the General Manager, Chief Executive Officer establish a three-year DBE goal for the use of DBE's in contracts led by the Authority; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Federal Transit Administration DBE Program guidelines, the Authority has developed a three-year overall annual goal of 21.5% for DBE participation in federally funded contracts awarded by the Authority in Federal Fiscal Years (FFYs) 2022 thru 2024; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager, Chief Executive Officer has met with executive staff to propose a three-year overall annual goal for DBE participation in Authority contracts during FFY 2022 thru 2024, commencing October 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority, Cuyahoga County, Ohio:


Section 1. That the three-year overall annual goal for Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) participation is set at 21.5% of the total dollar amount of federally funded contracts awarded by the Authority during Federal Fiscal years (FFYs) 2022 thru 2024.

Section 2. That the General Manager, Chief Executive Officer of the Authority is directed to advise the Federal Transit Administration accordingly and publish this goal in accordance with the requirements of the DBE Program.


Section 3. That the three-year overall annual goal hereby established for FFYs 2022 thru 2024 is subject to review, modification, and approval by the Federal Transit Administration.

Section 4. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: December 21, 2021



President

Attest: 

Secretary-Treasurer



TITLE/DESCRIPTION: ESTABLISHMENT OF A THREE YEAR OVERAL ANNUAL DBE GOAL FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEARS 2022 THRU 2024	Resolution No.: 2021-114
	Date: December 16, 2021
	Initiator: Office of Business Development
ACTION REQUEST: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval <input type="checkbox"/> Review/Comment <input type="checkbox"/> Information Only <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	

1.0 PURPOSE/SCOPE: This action will allow the Authority to establish a three-year overall annual goal for Disadvantage Business Enterprise (DBE) participation for Federal Fiscal Years (FFYs) 2022 thru 2024.

2.0 DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION: Pursuant to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) regulations for its DBE program, Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations Part 26, as amended, the Authority, as a recipient of funding from the FTA, is required to establish a three-year DBE participation goal.

The purpose of the DBE program is to help create a level playing field as related to past community-wide disparities in local contracting opportunities, so that DBE firms can more fairly compete in all facets of local contracting opportunities. The program objectives are to increase the number and quality of bids received from and contracting done with DBE firms.

3.0 PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND: Does not apply.

4.0 AFFIRMATIVE ACTION/DBE BACKGROUND: in compliance with federal regulations and guidelines, the Authority proposes a three-year overall annual goal of 21.5% relative to DBE participation, in the aggregate, of all federally-assisted contracts of \$25,000.00 of more awarded by the Authority during FFYs 2022 thru 2024.

5.0 POLICY IMPACT: This action is required to comply with the Authority's DBE Program and the Code of Federal Regulations, 49 CFR Part 26.

6.0 ECONOMIC IMPACT: This action supports the continuation of GCRTA's eligibility for federal financial assistance. FTA provides grants in support of GCRTA's Capital Program.

7.0 ALTERNATIVES: Disapprove the establishment of the three-year overall annual goal for DBE participation. Disapproval of the three-year overall annual DBE goal would adversely impact and delay the awarding and approval of grants by FTA.

8.0 RECOMMENDATION: The proposed DBE goal FFYs 2022 thru 2024 was reviewed by the Board of Trustees Organizational, Services & Performance Monitoring Committee at the December 7, 2021 meeting and recommended for award. Staff recommends approval of the resolution to establish an overall DBE goal of 21.5% for DBE participation in federally assisted contracts FFYs 2022 thru 2024.

9.0 ATTACHMENTS: None.

Recommended and certified as appropriate to the availability of funds, legal form and conformance with the Procurement requirements.



General Manager, Chief Executive Officer