











Proposed FFY 2025-2027 DBE Program Goal

Organizational, Services & Performance **Monitoring Committee**

August 13, 2024

Federal Requirement

Establish an Overall DBE Goal on a triennial basis to adequately reflect the opportunity for DBE participation on federally-assisted procurements that are expected to be made during the FFY 2025-2027 periods.



DBE Goal Timetable

- May 29, 2024
- August 9, 2024
- August 13, 2024
- August 27, 2024
- September 6, 2024

Held Community Advisory Meeting

Published Proposed DBE Goal

Committee Presentation Review Goal

Seek Board Approval

Submit Proposed Goal to FTA



Community Advisory Group

A representative list of organizations invited to attend the Community Advisory Meeting includes: These are the companies GCRTA partners with on procurements annually.

- AKA TEAM dba AKA Construction (DBE)
- National Association of Minority Contractors (NAMC)
- City of Cleveland
- Cleveland Hopkins Airport
- Greater Cleveland Partnership
- Hispanic Chamber of Commerce
- NEORSD
- Irizar Electric, Inc. (DBE)
- Ohio Minority Supplier Diversity Council
- Cuyahoga County
- MetroHealth Hospital
- President's Council



Rationale for DBE Program

According to the federal regulations, the DBE Program seeks to achieve the following objectives:

- Ensure nondiscrimination in the award, and administration of DOT-assisted contracts
- Create a level playing field on which DBEs can compete fairly for DOTassisted contracts
- Help remove barriers to the participation of DBEs on DOT- assisted contracts
- Assist the development of firms to compete successfully in the market outside the DBE program



Calculation of Overall DBE Goal

In accordance with FTA guidelines the following approach was used to calculate the DBE goal:

- Established a base figure of the relative availability of DBEs
- Adjusted the base figure to take in account Authority specific factors such as number, types, and dollar value of contracts, and DBE participation achieved during the past three years



Proposed FFY 2025-2027 Overall DBE Goal

Based on the factors that are to be considered in the calculation on the Overall DBE Goal, the proposed FFY 2025-2027 DBE Goal is 20.21% Means to achieve the goal:

- Race Conscious 17.01%
 - Contract Specific Goals
- Race Neutral 3.20 %
 - DBE Participation where firm is Prime Contractor
 - DBE Participation that "Exceeds" Contract Goal



Program Requirements

The overall DBE goal may be adjusted during the three-year period to reflect changes in circumstances generally in the marketplace or specifically related to GCRTA.

However, the Authority is required to submit any proposed adjustments of the three-year goal to the FTA for review and approval.

Recommendation

Staff recommends the Organizational, Services & Performance Monitoring Committee recommend to the Board of Trustees the approval of the triennial DBE Goal of 20.21%.



Questions?

