

## DBE POLICY STATEMENT

The Town of New Windsor (hereinafter “the Town”) has established a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program in accordance with regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 49 CFR Part 26. From time to time, the Town applies for and has received Federal financial assistance from the Department of Transportation. As a condition of receiving this assistance, the Town must sign an assurance that it will comply with 49 CFR Part 26.

It is the policy of the Town to ensure that DBE’s, as defined in Part 26, have an equal opportunity to receive and participate in DOT-assisted contracts. It is also our policy to:

1. Ensure non-discrimination in the award and administration of DOT assisted contracts;
2. Create a level playing field on which DBE’s can compete fairly for DOT assisted contracts;
3. Ensure that the DBE Program is narrowly tailored in accordance with applicable law;
4. Ensure that only firms that fully meet 49 CFR Part 26 eligibility standards are permitted to participate as DBEs;
5. Help remove barriers to the participation of DBEs in DOT assisted contracts;
6. Assist the development of firms that can compete successfully in the market place outside the DBE Program.

The Town Supervisor has been delegated as the DBE Liaison Officer. In this capacity, the Town Supervisor is responsible for implementing all aspects of the DBE Program. Implementation of the DBE Program is accorded the same priority as compliance with all other legal obligations incurred by the Town in its financial assistance agreements with the Department of Transportation.

The Town has disseminated this policy statement to the Town Board of the Town of New Windsor and all components of the organization. We shall also distribute this statement to prospective contractors seeking to perform work for us on federally funded and/or DOT assisted contracts. Distribution shall be accomplished by including this written policy with any request for proposal soliciting work on behalf of the Town. This written policy shall also be posted on the Town’s website and on all Department/Town Message Boards.

  
Stephen A. Bedetti, Supervisor

1/11/2024  
Date