

Attachment G
Minority/Women/Handicap Business Enterprise Procurement Procedures
Genesee County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program

Projects assisted with Genesee County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG); Emergency Shelter Grants (ESG); and HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) funds must comply with Program procurement standards. Federal regulations contained at 24 CFR 85.36(e)(2)(I) require that the opportunity to bid on activities assisted, in any part, with these Genesee County Program funds, be offered to MBE/WBE/HBE firms.

Local Units of Genesee County government, Non-Profit Agencies, Architectural / Engineering / Design / Consulting firms; Prime Contractors, and Subcontractors must complete the appropriate Procurement Outreach form (attached) in order for bid procedures to be complete and compliant with federal regulations. For your convenience a copy of the *Minority Business Directory* can be found at: <http://gcmpc.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/DBE.MBE.WBE-Business-Listing.pdf> to assist you in identifying contractors and businesses needed to carry out your project activity. Also see the Flint & Genesee Economic Alliance's Business Bridge: <https://developflintandgenesee.org/business-bridge/>

It is required that a minimum of three contractors/business be contacted for each industry Procurement that proposed to be assisted with Genesee County federal Program funds. Of these three, at least one MBE/WBE/HBE per industry must be offered the opportunity to bid on the project activity. Examples of industries are: architectural and engineering services; janitorial services; paper goods; asphalt paving services; roofing firms; electrician services; and other construction trades. This is not an exhaustive list of activities. Procurement procedures depend on the amount of the work to be procured. Please reference the attached information on procurement and labor standards for federally assisted projects and activities.

All subrecipients are responsible for ensuring that their Prime and Subcontractors also complete the MBE/WBE/HBE outreach report (Attachment F) in order for the bid process to be considered compliant. Prime Contractors are required to perform the outreach procedures when seeking subcontractors for performing work / offering materials, services, or supplies on the federally assisted project / activity. Proper documentation includes: the name of the company, name of person contacted, date of contact, registered mail slip, and identification of selected MBE/WBE/HBE. Should the outreach documentation not include a potential MBE/WBE/HBE, the subrecipient; prime and subcontractors must indicate through written documentation the reason(s) why this situation has occurred. This must be attached to the proposed bid tabulations prior to approval of acceptable bid by Genesee County.

If the proper documentation is not provided to Genesee County, the project procurement procedures will not be considered compliant, and therefore any resulting bids will not be considered acceptable. The bid process may be delayed and/or may be required to be re-bid should the MBE/WBE/HBE outreach process be non-compliant. This will be determined at the sole discretion of Genesee County.

In order to assure compliance with federal regulations, a copy of all bid tabs and the MBE/WBE/HBE outreach forms must be submitted to Genesee County prior to any award of contracts, the preconstruction meeting; and/or any purchase of equipment, supplies, and / or services to be assisted under a federally assisted project / activity.