

**Metropolitan Transit Authority of
Black Hawk County**

**DBE Goal Calculation and Adoption
FY2019-21**

Goal Calculation, Public Participation and Race-Neutral & Race Conscious Participation

Section 26.45: Overall Goal Calculation

Amount of Goal

1. MET's overall annual DBE Goal for FY 2019-21 is the following: .364% of the Federal Financial assistance we will expend in DOT-assisted contracts, exclusive of FTA funds to be used for the purchase of transit vehicles.
2. \$783,239.00 is the annual dollar amount of DOT-assisted contracts that MET expects to award during FY2019-21. This means that MET has set a goal of expending \$2,850.62 with DBEs during this fiscal year.

Methodology used to Calculate Overall Goal

Step 1: 26.45(c)

The base figure for the relative availability of DBE's was calculated as follows:

$$\text{Base Figure} = \frac{\text{the number of ready, willing, and able DBEs}}{\text{all firms ready, willing and able}}$$

The data sources or demonstrable evidence used to derive the numerator was the State of Iowa Directory of Certified Disadvantaged Business Enterprises.

The data source or demonstrable evidence used to derive the denominator was an estimate of the number of businesses in Iowa obtained from the economic census.

When we divided the numerator, weighted by the dollar value of contract opportunities within each classification, by the denominator we arrived at the base figure of .003640, and so adopted the overall goal: .364%

Step 2: 26.45(d)

After calculating a base figure of the relative availability of DBEs, evidence was examined to determine what adjustment was needed to the base figure in order to arrive at the overall goal.

Public Participation

We invited all potential DBEs in our area to review MET's FY19-21 DBE Goal and to become familiar with MET contracting opportunities and the process to become certified by the UCP. These included firms that currently do business with MET; firms referred to us by local municipalities, counties, chambers of commerce, and organizations of minority and women-owned firms; and firms responding to the published notice. The comment period closed July 16, 2018.

Section 26.51: Breakout of Estimated Race-Neutral & Race Conscious Participation

MET intends to meet its overall goal by using race-conscious means of facilitating DBE participation. MET uses the public participation process described above and communication of contract opportunities to certified DBEs as race-conscious means of increasing DBE participation.

We estimate that, in meeting our overall goal of .3640%, we will obtain .3640% from race-neutral participation.