

Resolution 2011-57
Kootenai County Commissioners Public Transit
DBE PROGRAM
CONTINUING RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Kootenai County Commissioners have established a Disadvantaged Enterprise Program in accordance with the regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) 49 CFR Part 26; and

WHEREAS, the Kootenai County Commissioner have received Federal financial assistance, and have signed assurances that they will comply with 49 CFR 26; and

WHEREAS, the percentage of DBE qualifying businesses figure currently at 10.6% of that industry; and

WHEREAS, the percentage indicates the County does not have a large available group of Disadvantaged Business Enterprise businesses that are qualified as such; and

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the Kootenai County Commissioners to ensure that DBE's as defined in Part 26 have an equal opportunity to receive and participate in DOT assisted contracts; and

WHEREAS it is also the policy of the Public Transit System to:

1. To ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration on DOT assisted contracts;
2. To create a level playing field on which DBE's can compete fairly for DOT assisted Contracts;
3. To ensure that the DBE program is narrowly tailored in accordance with applicable law;
4. To ensure that only firms that fully meet 49 CFR Part 26 eligibility standards are permitted to participate as DBE's;
5. To help remove barriers to the participation of DBE's in DOT assisted contracts and
6. To assist the development of firms that can compete successfully in the marketplace outside the DBE program and;

WHEREAS, per Resolution 2008-119, Grant Writer Colleen Allison was appointed the DBE Officer and liaison of the DBE program; and

WHEREAS, implementation of the DBE program is accorded the same priority as compliance with all other legal obligations incurred by the Kootenai County Commissioners in their financial assistance agreements with the Department of Transportation;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Kootenai County Commissioners will disseminate this policy statement to Kootenai County and all the components of the organization;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners will distribute this statement to DBE and NON-DBE business communities that perform work for the County on DOT assisted contracts by advertisement for solicitation of bids.

Upon a motion to adopt the text of the foregoing Resolution made by Commissioner _____, seconded by Commissioner _____, the following vote was recorded:

Commissioner Nelson:
Commissioner Green:
Chairman Tondee:

Upon said roll call, the text of the foregoing was duly enacted as a Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of Kootenai County, Idaho, on the ____ day of June, 2011.

DATED this ____ day of _____, 2011.

**KOOTENAI COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**ATTEST:
CLIFFORD T. HAYES, CLERK**

W. Todd Tondee, Chairman

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Daniel H. Green, Commissioner

Jai Nelson, Commissioner