



Small Business Administration (SBA) Certification Application Upgrades

The SBA will pause all certification applications starting August 1st to implement a planned upgrade across all of SBA's certification systems. The SBA reports that most certified firms will not be impacted by the pause in applications. New or prospective applicants are encouraged to wait to apply after the upgrade, but applications submitted before August 1 will be processed in the order received. Firms needing to renew should receive guidance from their certification program. Certifications impacted include: Women-Owned Small Business (WOSB), Economically Disadvantaged Women-Owned Small Business (EDWOSB), 8(a) Business Development Program, Veteran Small Business Certification (VOSB), Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business (SDVOSB), and Historically Underutilized Business Zones (HUBZone) Program.

[Find more information about the SBA application upgrade here.](#)

Apply for Clark Construction's Strategic Partnership Program for Small Businesses

Clark Construction is recruiting candidates for the upcoming Fall Session of their Strategic Partnership Training Program. This free program is designed to bolster and enhance the capabilities of local, small businesses in the construction industry and focuses on providing core construction management and business skills to its participants. Classes run from September through May and are hybrid with select in-person activities. The deadline to apply is August 23, 2024.

[Apply for the Strategic Partnership Program here.](#)

Commodities Suppliers - Are You Equal Benefits Compliant (formerly 12B)?

The Equal Benefits Program requires the City to only contract with businesses that offer the same benefits to

employees with domestic partners as employees with spouses. There are opportunities for direct Purchase Orders and CMD seeks to make sure you are compliant and ready to work with the City. Submit an Equal Benefits Declaration through the San Francisco City Partner supplier portal.

[Find directions for how to submit an Equal Benefits Declaration here.](#)

Upcoming Outreach Events

August 1, 2024

10:00 AM -

11:00 AM

(Pre-Proposal Meeting)

11:00 AM -

1:00 PM

(LBE Mixer)

SFO Small/Local Business Mixer for RFP No. 50383 for Economic Impact Study and As-Needed Workforce Analysis Services

Conference Room 1A

674 West Field Rd

San Francisco, CA 94128

SFO seeks proposals from qualified suppliers to provide economic impact study and workforce analysis services. The LBE participation requirement for this solicitation is 9%. SFO is hosting this mixer as part of its goal to provide access to contracting information and opportunities to small, disadvantaged and local businesses.

[Register here.](#)

August 1, 2024

8:30 AM -

5:00 PM

2024 San Francisco African American Chamber of Commerce Black Business Month Conference

UC Berkeley Extension

160 Spear St.

San Francisco, CA 94105

This free event is designed to empower small business owners with the tools and knowledge needed to succeed. **Eligible attendees may qualify for up to \$15k in scholarships** for UC Berkeley certifications in project management, facilities management, and data management. Learn practical strategies for securing financing, building generational wealth, and accessing contracting opportunities.

[Register here.](#)

August 8, 2024

10:00 AM -

12:00 PM

Clark Construction LBE Informational Session for City Distribution Division (CDD) Project

Southeast Community Center

Alex Pitcher Room

1550 Evans St.

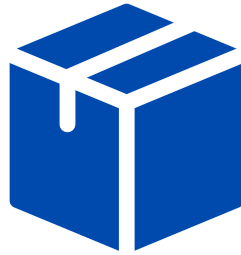
San Francisco, CA 94124

Join Clark Construction for a LBE information session for trades. See flyer for details.

Flyer here.

Upcoming Contract Opportunities

The below information is current as of the date of this newsletter. Always look up each contract by event ID on SF City Partner for up-to-date information.



Printing Paper Products

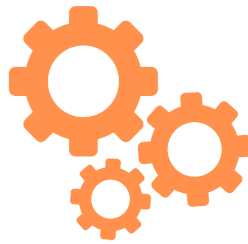
Event ID: SFGOV-0000009557

OCA

Current Due Date:

8/23/24

2:00 PM



Vehicle Maintenance and Repair Svcs

Event ID: SFGOV-0000009764

OCA

Current Due Date:

8/27/24

2:00 PM



Laguna, Howard, and Mission Creek Combined Sewer Discharge Improvements

WW-757

SFPUC

Current Due Date:

9/5/24

2:00 PM



Uniforms, Garments and Accessories

Event ID: SFGOV-0000009414

OCA

Current Due Date:

9/9/24

2:00 PM

Search all current contracting opportunities at SF City Partner.

Find all forecasted contracts by Department here.

Monthly CMD Workshops

August 7, 2024

10:00 AM -

12:00 PM

1st Wednesday Workshop:
LBE Certification

[RSVP](#)

August 14, 2024
10:00 AM -
12:00 PM

2nd Wednesday Workshop: Bidding on City Contracts

[RSVP](#)

Helpful Links

[CMD Website](#)

[LBE Certification](#)

[LBE Directory](#)

[LBE Enforcement Portal](#)

[CAPP Loan Program](#)

[LBE Advisory Committee](#)

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