

## **DBE PROGRAM**

## **POLICY STATEMENT**

The Winston-Salem Transit Authority has established a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program in accordance with regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 49 CFR Part 26. The Winston-Salem Transit Authority has received Federal financial assistance from the Department of Transportation, and as a condition of receiving this assistance, Winston-Salem Transit Authority has signed an assurance that it will comply with 49 CFR Part 26.

It is the policy of the Winston-Salem Transit Authority to ensure that DBEs are defined in 49 CFR Part 26, have an equal opportunity to receive and participate in DOT-assisted contracts. It is also our policy:

- 1. To ensure non-discrimination in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts;
- 2. To create a level playing field on which DBEs can compete fairly for DOT-assisted contract;
- 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 DBEs;
- 5. To help remove barriers to the participation of DBEs in DOT-assisted contracts;
- 6. To assist the development of firms that can compete successfully in the market place outside the DBE Program.

The Finance Manager has been delegated as the DBE Liaison Officer. In that capacity, the DBE Liaison Officer 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 Winston-Salem Transit Authority in its financial assistance agreements with the Department of Transportation.

Winston-Salem Transit Authority has disseminated this policy statement to the WSTA Board of Directors and all of the components of our organization. This policy is posted on our website (wstransit.com) and copies will be made available, upon request, by contacting the WSTA Administration Office at 1060 N. Trade Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101.

Signature of General Manager

7/11/2019 Date



## PUBLIC NOTICE

## WINSTON-SALEM TRANSIT AUTHORITY FY 2020-2022 DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE GOAL

Pursuant to U. S. Department of Transportation Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Regulation, 49 CFR, Part 26, dated February 1999 and effective September 1999, this serves as the Winston-Salem Transit Authority's (WSTA) notification and public comment period on its proposed FY 2020-2022 DBE Goal. WSTA's FY 2020-2022 DBE Goal is 6.97%. The proposed goal and its rationale are available for inspection during normal business hours (8:00 AM - 5:00 PM) Monday -Friday at WSTA's facility located at 1060 North Trade Street, Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27101. Written comments may also be submitted at the above address and/or phone comments can be exchanged by calling (336) 727-2648. Please refer all written and verbal comments to Donna Woodson, General Manager. Comments will be received until Friday, August 30, 2019 at 5:00 pm.