



GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

**300 & 301 – Fiscal 2018 Annual HUB Report Supplemental Letter**

The Office of the Governor is committed to providing Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs) the opportunity to participate in the Office's procurement process for all goods and services. At every opportunity, the Office of the Governor contracts with vendors who are either HUBs or who sub-contract with HUBs.

Not reflected in our expenditure totals and percentages are the many small business forums and workshops that our office of Economic Development and Tourism – Office of Small Business Assistance performs. The office has helped to increase contracting opportunities for Texas small businesses by educating them through forums and workshops held statewide in collaboration with the Texas Workforce Commission. These provide a great opportunity to network and connect with industry specialists, government officials, service providers and other regional businesses.

Additional forums and workshops are scheduled for FY19 focusing on a wide range of opportunities available to all businesses, including minority and woman owned businesses, veterans, and businesses interested in expanding globally.

In addition, The Governor's Commission for Women provides resources and tools for the Women of Texas with a focus area on Women-owned businesses. A major event the Commission participated in was the State Agency Council Sponsored Female Entrepreneurship Panel which hosted a roundtable discussion on how women can start businesses in Texas.

The Office of the Governor will continue its' commitment to the State of Texas' HUB program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Terrie Boland".

Terrie Boland  
Director of Financial Services  
HUB Coordinator



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### **Notable Events by Office of the Governor:**

- **10/4/2017** Governor's Small Business Forum – Dallas
- **10/5/2017** Governor's Small Business Forum – Research Valley - Bryan
- **10/11/2017** Governor's Small Business Forum for Women – Houston
- **10/19/2017** Governor's Small Business Forum – Pharr
- **10/26/2017** Governor's Small Business Forum – Texarkana
- **7/11/2018** Governor's Small Business Forum – Killeen
- **8/23/2018** Governor's Small Business Forum – Odessa
- **8/30/2018** Governor's Small Business Forum – Wichita Falls
- **9/6/2017** Governor's Small Business Service Providers Workshop – Converse
- **10/12/2017** Governor's Small Business Service Providers Workshop – Fairfield
- **10/30/2017** Governor's Small Business Service Providers Workshop – Tomball
- **8/9/2018** Governor's Small Business Service Providers Workshop – Angleton
- **8/21/2018** Governor's Small Business Service Providers Workshop – Port Aransas
- **8/21/2018** State Agency Council Sponsored Female Entrepreneurship Panel - Austin