



TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE COMMISSIONER SID MILLER

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The Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) is committed to creating a level playing field on which Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs) and Minority and Women-Owned Businesses (MWBEs) can compete fairly and participate in the performance of contracts and subcontracts relating to all of the Department's procurement activities.

This fiscal year, the HUB program worked closely with internal business units to further the mission to increase HUB and MWBE expenditures with the Department. These efforts have resulted in an increased number of bids submitted to the agency by diverse vendors for procurement opportunities.

The agency will continue to foster these business relationships by providing additional technical assistance to HUB and MWBE vendors that are qualified to do business with TDA.

Good faith efforts outreach activities:

- Exhibited in the virtual Houston Minority Supplier Development Council Spot Bid Fair
- Exhibited in DFW "Doing Business Texas Style" Spot Bid Fair Virtual Expo
- Served as presenter for Greater Houston Business Procurement Webinar Series
- Attended meetings as required during the legislative session to support the HUB program reporting and outreach activities.
- Actively participated in HUB Discussion Workgroup meetings
- Continuously provided correspondence to HUB vendors inquiring about doing business with TDA

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