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The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) demonstrates dedication to utilizing Texas certified Historically Underutilized Business (HUBs) in its procurement process by providing contracting opportunities directly and indirectly with HUBs. Adhering to the requirements outlined in 34 Texas Administrative Code Rule §20.284, DPS's "Good Faith Efforts" to enhance HUB participation included the following:

- Participated in one (1) Economic Opportunity Forums and HUB outreach event as an exhibitor;
- Participated in the Houston Minority Supplier Development Council Spot Bid Expo on November 18-19, 2020, presenting approximately \$57,705.06 opportunities and awarding \$15,704;
- The DPS HUB group attended an informational forum hosted by the Texas Association of Mexican American Chambers of Commerce (TAMACC) on September 24, 2020;
- Hosted External Economic Opportunity Forums where thirty-two (32) vendors provided market research demonstrations;
- DPS is committed to capturing all possible subcontracting opportunities. DPS has a collaboration effort with several of its divisions to provide scopes & opportunities of subcontracting on one hundred & twenty-one (121) special construction projects;
- DPS HUB coordinated fifty-three (53) vendor informational interactions, which guide how to do business with DPS through HUB outreach events, one-on-one meetings, email, and by telephone;
- Conducted HUB Program training for the internal Purchasing Liaisons staff on November 5, 2020;
- Reviewed competitive solicitations identifying HUB subcontracting opportunities, participated in pre-proposal conferences, and reviewed the HUB Subcontracting Plans (HSP) to ensure the HSPs met the "Good Faith Effort" requirements;
- Participated in monthly meetings with each division of DPS to discuss HUB performance and provide education on the HUB program;
- Participated in the planning committee for the Comptroller's HUB EXPO and a panel member for the Doing Business with State Agencies workshop;
- DPS is active in the statewide HUB Coordinators Discussion Workgroup Committee and holds an executive position as the Chair; and
- DPS is active in the Texas Association of Public Purchasers (TAPP) Austin Chapter and holds the TAPP President's position.

DPS is firmly committed to the goals identified and recognized by the State of Texas HUB Program and will continue to work to increase HUB participation related to contracting and subcontracting opportunities. Should you have any questions regarding the agency's program, please contact Lisa Maldonado at (512) 424-0279 or Juana.Maldonado@dps.texas.gov.

Sincerely,

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