

The University of Houston #730 (UH) and #783 (UHS) is committed to increasing HUB participation and contracting opportunities. The HUB Operations Department (HOD) is responsible for compliance with state HUB requirements and implementation of strategies to help the University meet state HUB goals. During the reporting period (September 1, 2022-August 31, 2023) UH good faith efforts included a variety of actions such as: serving as an exhibitor and/or panelist at (22) community sponsored HUB outreach events (e.g., East End Chamber of Commerce Business EXPO; Asian Chamber of Commerce Business, Tri-County Black Chamber of Commerce, Houston Minority Supplier Development Council, Golden Triangle; Greater Houston Partnership; Greater Houston Procurement Forum, Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Bexar County SMWVBO Conference, Choice Partners Market Place, Texas Association of Mexican American Summit, Texas Black EXPO and many other HUB outreach events.

Outcomes: During FY23 UH HUB Dept. outreach consisted of a hybrid of (in-person and virtual) events:

- HUB Vendor Fair where select HUBs providing priority goods/services made presentations to UH Colleges/Division staff resulting in \$2,501,452 total dollars subsequently awarded.
- HUB Forum where (514) HUBs learned how to do business with the various UH components and workshops on how to increase contract award.
- Large Construction Projects Informational meeting where over 250 people participated resulting in the HUB Dept. having to relocate the event to a UH Ballroom in FY24. Feedback from participants was overwhelmingly positive.
- Construction Management Talent Pipeline Program- Partnership with UH College of Engineering, Technology Division Construction Management Department, National Association of Minority Contractors (NAMC) Houston Chapter initiative to increase the construction industry talent base. The class content addresses skills and knowledge needed to be competitive as a prime contractor on UH and similar agencies construction projects. The class size is purposely small (16-20) participants. One company was selected for UH contracting opportunities valued \$500k; Two of the participants were selected for prime contractor opportunities that totaled \$557k.

UH HUB Operations (HOD) staff as a part of our efforts to share information on how to do business with the University of Houston. HOD staff made presentations at numerous community events such as: Greater Houston Procurement Forum monthly meetings; Texas Association of African American Chambers of Commerce (TAAACC) and the National Association of Minority Contractors (NAMC).

UH is committed to the HUB program and will continue our good faith efforts to increase expenditures with HUBs.

Respectfully,



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