



## NEWSLETTER

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## SUMMARY FOR MINORITY AND WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISES (M/WBE)

The objective of this flyer is to assist in understanding M/WBE participation as identified in PRDOH's M/WBE policy guide. <https://cdbg-dr.pr.gov/en/section-3/enterprise-woman-minority-mwbe/>

The participation objective for minority and women-owned businesses is twenty percent (20%) of the total contract value, consisting of ten percent (10%) for MBE and ten percent (10%) for WBE. This requirement is based on the total amount of each individual prime award under the CDBG-DR or CDBG MIT funds.

Minority and Women's Business or Enterprise (M/WBEs) requirements apply to all procurement contracts or purchases of \$10,000 or more. This \$10,000 threshold applies to professional services and construction work.

M/WBEs Certification must be certified by entities that formally recognize and provide a process for certification of M/WBEs. Such agencies can be:

- U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA)
- U.S. Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA)
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA, EPA)
- Office of Small Business Programs (OSBP)
- The Puerto Rico Minority Suppliers Development Council (PRMSDC)

**Networking & Outreach** Subrecipients and contractors are reminded of their duties to perform outreach efforts and ensure participation of these local businesses in purchasing or procurement processes using federal funding. 2 CFR 200.321 outlines affirmative efforts to be taken.

### Women's Businesses



It is a business in which at least fifty-one percent (51%) is owned, operated, and controlled by one or more U.S. citizens who identify as female.

### Minority Businesses



It is a business in which at least fifty-one (51%) percent is owned, operated, and controlled by one or more U.S. citizens who identify as members of an ethnic minority group.

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