Policy Statement

SECTION 26.1, 26.23 OBJECTIVES

The Office of Transportation Delivery (OTD) is the recipient of federal transit funds authorized under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs ACT and by FAST Act, Titles I, III, V, and VI of ISTEA, Pub. L. 102-240 or by Federal transit laws in Title 49, U.S. Code, or Titles I, II, and V of the Teas-21, Pub. L. 105-178.

The Office of Transportation Delivery has established a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program in accordance with regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 49 CFR Part 26. The Office of Transportation Delivery has received Federal financial assistance from the Department of Transportation, and as a condition of receiving this assistance, the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC)/Office of Transportation Delivery (OTD) has signed an assurance that it will comply with 49 CFR Part 26.

It is the policy of the KYTC/Office of Transportation Delivery to ensure that DBEs, as defined in Part 26, have an equal opportunity to receive and participate in DOT-assisted contracts. It is also our policy:

1. To ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts;
2. To create a level playing field on which DBEs can compete fairly for DOT-assisted contracts;
3. To ensure that the DBE Program is narrowly tailored in accordance with applicable law;
4. To ensure that only firms that fully meet 49 CFR Part 26 eligibility standards are permitted to participate as DBEs;
5. To help remove barriers to the participation of DBEs in DOT assisted contracts;
6. To assist the development of firms that can compete successfully in the market place outside the DBE Program.