

DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM



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 **COTA**

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► **The Central Ohio Transit Authority (COTA) is committed to the elimination of discrimination in business practices, including the procurement of goods and services. COTA recognizes its responsibilities to the community.**

Fully recognizing our responsibilities, COTA established its Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) policy, as required by Section 26 of 49 CFR.

It is COTA's policy to do business with ready, willing and able disadvantaged and small businesses. COTA makes every effort to help ensure a level playing field in the marketplace by ensuring these firms have the opportunity to participate in the procurement process.

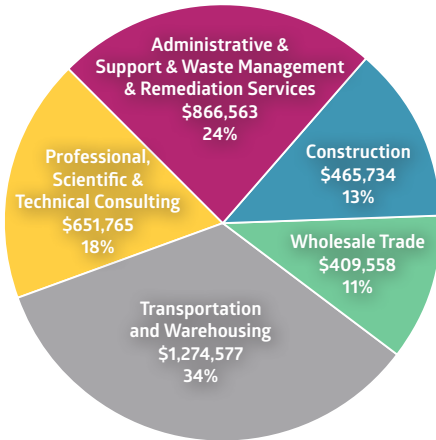


▶ COTA's Historical Commitment to the DBE Community

	2014	2015	2016
# of Projects	24	16	30
# of DBE Companies	40	30	45
\$\$ Amount (millions)	\$6.4	\$4.49	\$3.67
DBE % Attained	25.6%	19.9%	18.8%

▶ 2016 Breakdown of DBE Participation by Trade

Total DBE \$\$ for 2016 =
\$3,668,197



- Construction
- Wholesale Trade
- Transportation and Warehousing
- Professional, Scientific and Technical Services
- Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services

CERTIFICATION

When COTA uses the term DBE that means companies are MBE, FBE, EDGE, and DBE certified by at least one of these agencies:

- ▶ **The City of Columbus Equal Business Opportunity Commission Office**
- ▶ **The Ohio Department of Administrative Services**
- ▶ **The Unified Certification Program (UCP) administered through the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT).**

Each of these agencies do their own certifications, re-certifications and on-site visits.

<http://www.dot.state.oh.us/Divisions/ODI/SDBE/Pages/UCP.aspx>

▶ Information

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We enjoy working with contractors in the central Ohio community. Here's a list of commodities and services with their NAIC codes we typically hire for:

- 238310:** Drywall and Insulation Contractors
- 238210:** Electrical Contractors
- 237990:** Other Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction
- 238330:** Flooring Contractors
- 238130:** Framing Contractors
- 237310:** Highway, Street and Bridge Construction
- 236210:** Industrial Building Construction
- 238110:** Poured Concrete Foundation and Structure Contractors
- 238160:** Roofing Contractors
- 238910:** Site Preparation Contractors
- 238120:** Structural Steel and Precast Concrete Contractors
- 238990:** All Other Specialty Trade Contractors
- 485113:** Bus and Other Motor Vehicle Transit Systems
- 236220:** Commercial and Institutional Building Construction
- 324191:** Petroleum Lubricating Oil and Grease Manufacturing
- 423430:** Computer and Computer Peripheral Equipment & Software Merchant Wholesalers
- 443120:** Computer and Software Stores
- 561310:** Employment Placement Agencies
- 541330:** Engineering Services
- 561720:** Janitorial Services
- 334119:** Other Computer Peripheral Equipment Manufacturing
- 423490:** Other Professional Equipment and Supplies Merchant Wholesalers
- 423130:** Tire and Tube Merchant Wholesalers