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**HUB PROGRAM GOALS**

- Promote full and equal business opportunities for all businesses in state purchasing and contracting
- Assist in getting qualifying vendors certified and re-certified in the HUB Program
- Maximize the award of contracts and subcontracts to HUBs by identifying and resolving obstacles that hinder HUB participation
- Insure opportunity notices are sent to all HUBs listed for services in bid proposals
- Improve the local business climate between state buyers and vendors
- Serve as a sponsor for Mentor Protégé agreements

**HUB OPPORTUNITIES**

HUB opportunities continue to expand due to demographics, diversification, and increased awareness of HUB programs.

The state of Texas has more than 180 state agencies that spend more than $2 billion annually with HUBS on state purchasing contracts.

HUB certification with the state of Texas increases business opportunities and expands our economic growth.

**HUB ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

To be certified as a State HUB Vendor, minority and women-owned businesses must meet the following criteria:

- **U.S. Citizenship and Texas Residency** - Eligible HUB owners must be citizens of the United States and Texas residents, and must have their principal place of business in the State of Texas.

- **Ethnicity** - Business owners must be a member of one of the qualifying groups that include: Asian Pacific Americans, Black Americans, Hispanic Americans, Native Americans, American Women.

- **Business Ownership** - A business must be classified as one of the following business structures: Corporation, Sole Proprietorship, Partnership, Limited Partnership, or Joint Venture, where at least 51% of the assets and interest of all classes of stock and equitable securities are owned by one or more persons meeting the above criteria.

- **Active Participation** - Business owners must actively participate in the following areas of their business: management, policy-making, major company decisions, and day-to-day operations.

**HUB BIDDING PROCESSES**

TTUHSC Purchasing coordinates public bidding processes for large dollar purchases.

- Any product or service more than $15,000 must be competitively bid on an informal basis.

- Any product/service more than $40,000 must be formally bid (existing competitively awarded contracts may be considered).

**HUB LINKS**

- **CMBL Access**: [https://comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/vendor/cmbl](https://comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/vendor/cmbl)
- **ESBD Access**: [http://www.txsmartbuy.com/sp](http://www.txsmartbuy.com/sp)
- **Mentor Protégé Program/Application**: [https://comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/vendor/hub/mentor.php](https://comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/vendor/hub/mentor.php)