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It is the policy of The University of Texas System, and each of its institutions, to promote and encourage contracting and subcontracting opportunities of Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs) in all contracts. Measurements of supply marketplace variables, including demand for goods and services for which no HUB suppliers are available, and payments to non-certified HUB firms are important considerations in evaluating HUB program performance.

Good faith efforts include but are not limited to:

- ➤ Participation and facilitation of 55 HUB forum events in all regions of the state.
 - o Participated in 10 minority organization functions
 - o Attended 17 regional HUB conferences, workshops and outreach sessions
 - o Facilitated 2 Mentor-Protégé meetings
 - o Facilitated 10 one-on-ones between HUB firms and key U.T. System decision makers.
 - Facilitated 16 training events
- > The U.T. System Office of HUB and Federal Small Business Programs is a partner with several other state agencies and institutions of higher education in a Memoranda of Understanding with TAAACC and TAMACC. In addition, the HUB office supports regional minority organizations by co-hosting numerous outreach opportunities. Currently the Office of HUB and Federal Small Business Programs has representation on the advisory board of the Hispanic Contractors Association de San Antonio, the executive committee of the Texas NAACP, and the board of directors of the National Association of Black Accountants Austin Chapter and the Surety Association of South Texas.
- Sponsorship of technical assistance workshops by the HUB office.
 - Sponsored the UT Model Contractor Training program in partnership with BiGAustin, an Austin-based small business training and lending organization. Eighteen hours of training was provided with 22 companies enrolled.
 - Sponsored Professional Service HUB Outreach event to match HUB architectural and engineering (A/E) firms with UT System project management staff and prime A/E firms to discuss business opportunities. Thirteen HUB firms attended.
- Focus on Mentor-Protégé Program
 - o Currently have 7 active
 - 6 Construction
 - 1 Professional Services

The University of Texas System Administration, in partnership with the institutions within The University of Texas System, is committed to maximizing HUB participation by fostering collaborative efforts and innovative approaches ensuring HUB inclusion in local communities throughout the state in an effort to facilitate economic development.

The University of Texas System Administration submits this supplemental letter to provide additional information and background related to its HUB program. Please address inquiries to the Office of HUB and Federal Small Business Programs, 512-499-4580.

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