

Dulles Area Transportation Association DBE PROGRAM

POLICY STATEMENT

Section 26.1, 26.23

Objectives/Policy Statement

Dulles Area Transportation Association is a recipient of a Job Access Reverse Commute (JARC) or New Freedom grant for the purpose of providing transportation services to low-income workers and/or individuals with disabilities. Dulles Area Transportation Association has agreed to comply with the provisions set forth in the Metropolitan Washington Council of Government's (COG/TPB) Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program, which was developed and approved in accordance with regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 49 CFR Part 26. The Dulles Area Transportation Association has received Federal financial assistance from the Department of Transportation, and as a condition of receiving this assistance, the Dulles Area Transportation Association has signed an assurance that it will comply with 49 CFR Part 26.

It is the policy of the Dulles Area Transportation Association to ensure that DBEs are 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.

Implementation of the DBE program is accorded the same priority as compliance with all other legal obligations incurred by Dulles Area Transportation Association in its financial assistance agreements with the Department of Transportation.

Dulles Area Transportation Association has disseminated this policy statement to the Executive Committee and the Board of Directors and all of the components of our organization. We have distributed this statement to DBE and non-DBE business communities that perform work for us on DOT-assisted contracts. It has been sent to all members of the Association, all employees, and all consultants working for the Association.



Executive Director and CEO

June 12, 2015
Date