



# Urban League of Louisiana

## Center for Entrepreneurship & Innovation

## DBE Support Services

REGION B - BRIDGE CITY/NEW ORLEANS & HAMMOND



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Questions about COVID-19 Loan Programs? - Email Us at [dbesupport@urbanleaguela.org](mailto:dbesupport@urbanleaguela.org)

*Find Projects*

### LADOTD Project Letting Information

[Link to Construction Letting Information](#)

*Register for Trainings*

### ULLA Upcoming Events and Workshops

[Link to ULLA's Eventbrite Registration Page](#)

*Become a DBE*

### Get LAUCP DBE Certified

[Link to Louisiana Unified Certification Program](#)

*Stay Informed*

### COVID-19 Updates and Resources

[Link to the ULLA COVID-19 Updates Page](#)

### DBE SUPPORTIVE SERVICES - REGION B



ULLA provides business support services to DBEs interested in doing business with the LADOTD in Region B. Services include:

- One-on-One Business Counseling
- Capacity-building Coaching
- Contractor-specific and General
- Entrepreneurship Trainings
- Certification Assistance
- Funding and Bonding Assistance
- Access to LADOTD Bid Opportunities

EMAIL US TODAY!

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### DBE Outreach and Education Webinar

Government Contracting 101 + DBE Certification

Tuesday, September 22 | 10:00am - 12:00pm



For small, women, minority, and disadvantaged businesses seeking government contracts and understanding the basics of how local, state and federal agencies procure products and services are critical. Understanding the bidding, award, performance, and contract management processes that support government procurement activities can be a game-changer and time-saver for your business.

Join us on **Tuesday, September 22, 10:00am-12:00pm**, to obtain key information on the procurement processes of local, state, and federal government agencies and insights on how to best position the business for successful bids and subsequent awards.

[Click Here to Register Today!](#)



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### **From Truck Driver to CEO: How I Built a Logistics Firm Pulling in \$3.5 Million a Year**

This New Orleans native turned a job driving trucks into a massively successful contracting business. [View Article](#)

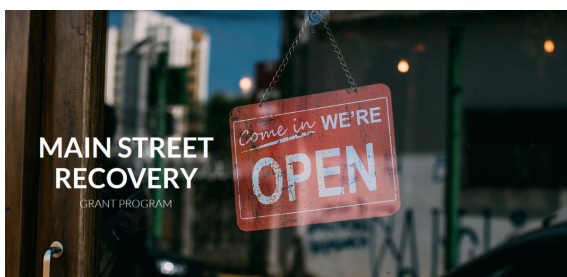
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### **OSHA Launches COVID-19 Website for Construction Employers and Workers**

OSHA has launched a [new web page](#) dedicated to coronavirus-related guidance for construction employers and workers. The guidance on the web page includes actions to reduce the risk of exposure to the virus. [View Article](#)



## **COVID-19 Emergency Funding Louisiana Main Street Recovery Program Grant Applications Open - Grants for Small Businesses**



The application process for the [Louisiana Main Street Recovery Program](#) is now open! The program, administered by the Louisiana Department of Treasury, provides grants of up to \$15,000 to Louisiana small businesses to assist in their recovery related to the economic impact of COVID-19.

Within the first 21 days of the program, grants will be prioritized for those businesses who did not receive funds through the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP), SBA's Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) program, or insurance payments.

Additionally, \$40 million of the aid is set aside to assist minority-owned, women-owned, and veteran-owned businesses.

#### Eligibility Requirements for Businesses

- Were domiciled in Louisiana as of March 1, 2020
- Suffered an interruption of business
- At least 50% owned by one or more Louisiana residents
- Filed Louisiana taxes in 2018 or 2019 or will file taxes in 2020.
- Had no more than 50 full-time employees as of March 1, 2020
- Have customers or employees visit a physical location
- Are not part of a bigger business with more than 50 full-time workers
- Does not exist for the purpose of advancing partisan political activity and does not directly lobby federal or state officials
- Does not derive income from passive investments without active participation in business operations

The Urban League of Louisiana is assisting small businesses with completing the application. For support, please email us at [dbesupport@urbanleaguela.org](mailto:dbesupport@urbanleaguela.org).

Click [here](#) to access the Louisiana Main Street Recovery Program website to learn more. For questions, call the LA Main Street Recovery Program Call Center at 1-888-795-4947.

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