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LADOTD Project
Letting Information

Get LAUCP DBE
Certified

ULLA Upcoming
Events and Trainings



Urban League of Louisiana provides business support services to existing and aspiring DBEs that are 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, and access to LADOTD bid opportunities. For more information, please email dbesupport@urbanleaguela.org.

Webinar

Take Action: Leverage the GSA for Federal Contracting Opportunities

Tuesday, February 4 | 12:00pm-2:00pm CST | Virtual



Join the Urban League of Louisiana for its Take Action session ***“Leverage the GSA for Federal Contracting Opportunities”*** on Tuesday, February 4, 10:00am-12:00pm, virtually.

The U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) manages federal property and provides contracting

options for government agencies. GSA facilitates over \$84 billion of products, services and solutions that enable federal agencies to efficiently accomplish their missions while saving taxpayer dollars. During this session, participants will learn how to leverage the GSA Schedule and sell to the federal government, including:

- Understanding the GSA Schedule Program
- Getting on Schedule
- Staying on Schedule
- Tools, resources, and information to help you succeed

This session will be facilitated by **Courtney Elzey, Owner, MCDS, LLC**. There is no cost to attend, however, registration is required. Register today to reserve your spot!

[Click Here to
Register](#)

Webinar

Take Action: Get Certified as a WBE and MBE for Corporate Contracting Opportunities

Tuesday, February 11 | 12:00pm-2:00pm CST | Virtual



Join the Urban League of Louisiana for its Take Action session ***“Get Certified as a WBE and/or MBE for Corporate Contracting Opportunities”*** on Tuesday, February 11th, 12:00pm-2:00pm, virtually.

WBE and MBE are business certifications that recognize minority and women-owned businesses. WBE stands for Woman Business Enterprise, and MBE stands for

Minority Business Enterprise.

A WBE is a business that is at least 51% owned and controlled by one or more women. It must also be a for-profit business that is independently owned and operated. An MBE is a business that is at least 51% owned and controlled by one or more individuals from a minority group, which includes African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, Asian Americans, and other underrepresented groups. These certifications are often required for companies seeking to do business with large corporations.

During this session, small business owners will learn the benefits of these certifications, certifying agencies, eligibility requirements, and the certification process. This session will provide participants with insights on how to best leverage these certifications to access corporate contracting opportunities.

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Webinar

Developing an Effective Capabilities Statement

Thursday, February 20 | 10:00am-11:30am CST | Virtual



Join the Urban League of Louisiana on **Thursday, February 20, 10:00am-11:30am**, to learn best practices for developing an effective capabilities statement! This virtual session is a part of a series of monthly events in collaboration with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development's DBE Supportive Services program.

As a contractor, whether you are providing labor, materials, or professional services, your capability statement serves as your business card and should set you apart from your competitors. It is a tool that will show potential clients how your achievements, core competencies, accreditations, financial health, and experience will create value for their projects. Writing a capability statement is not easy. However, it is worth the time and effort, and will produce positive outcomes if done right.

During this interactive workshop, participants will learn the key components of a capabilities statement and will be given guidance on crafting these elements to fit their business model and offerings. This session will be facilitated by Courtney Elzey, Principal, MCDS, LLC.

All current DBEs and aspiring DBEs are welcomed to attend. There is no cost to attend; however, registration is required. Register today to reserve your seat!

Bid Opportunity

**Kiewit: Small and Diverse Subcontractor/Supplier Outreach
Event - Louisiana International Terminal Project - Port NOLA
Wednesday, February 12 | 5:00pm CST | In-person**

Kiewit is providing Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR) services for the Port of New Orleans Louisiana International Terminal (LIT) Site Development Project as well as the Wharves and Ramps Project.

The LIT involves the construction of a state-of-the-art container facility on the lower Mississippi River that will serve vessels of all sizes, increasing Louisiana's import and export capacity. For more information about the LIT, visit:

<https://louisianainternationalterminal.com/>

Please join us to learn about the Site Development Project and upcoming contract opportunities - and to meet members of our project team.

Firms certified (or eligible for certification) as a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) or a Small Business Enterprise (SBE) by any of the following agencies are highly encouraged to attend.

- The City of New Orleans SLDBE program
- The State of Louisiana's Department of Economic Development's SBE Hudson Initiative program
- The Federal Small Business ProgramThe State of Louisiana Unified Certification Program or LAUCP for Disadvantaged Business Enterprises

Please note: This event will focus on the Site Development Project. A separate outreach event will be held to share information about the Wharves and Ramps Project!

Space is limited. RSVP required to attend. Event location and details will be provided following RSVP. For more information contact Britt Walter, britt.walter@kiewit.com.

YOU ARE INVITED

TO AN IN-PERSON OUTREACH EVENT

FEBRUARY 12, 2025 - 5:00 P.M. (CST)

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)JOIN US TO LEARN ABOUT UPCOMING CONTRACT OPPORTUNITIES ON THE LOUISIANA INTERNATIONAL TERMINAL - **SITE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT**

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WE ARE SEEKING TO ENGAGE LOCAL, SMALL, AND DIVERSE FIRMS
INTERESTED IN PROVIDING THE FOLLOWING SCOPES:

Subcontract:

- Asphalt / Hot Mix
- Building Abatement
- Building Demo
- Clear & Grub
- Concrete Pumping
- Demo Sawcutting
- Dewatering
- Electrical & Illumination
- Erosion / Seeding
- Excavation with Vac Truck
- Fence
- Flatwork
- Landscaping
- Mechanical Pump Station
- Milling
- MOT
- Painting
- Potholing / SUE
- Railroad
- Reinforcing Steel Site Development
- Reinforcing Steel Wharf & Ramps
- Sand Harvest Sub
- Sanitary Sewer
- Site Development Barrier
- Survey
- Tie-Resteel Site Development
- Tie-Resteel Wharf & Ramps
- Traffic Signals
- Truck / Haul
- Turnkey Pumpstation
- Waskey Bridge
- Waterline Utilities
- Wharf & Ramps Barrier
- Wicks
- Materials & Supply:
- Aggregates/Backfill
- Bearing Pads
- Striping
- Concrete Misc PMs
- Concrete Redimix (Onsite Batch Plant)
- Conveying / Stacking Equipment (Purchase)
- Crane Mats
- Crane Rail
- Drainage - Metal Pipe
- Erosion / Silt Fence
- Expansion Joints (SEJ)
- Formwork Rentals / Purchase
- Geotextiles
- Cement
- Chemical Toilets
- Concrete PMs
- Concrete Redimix (Onsite Batch Plant)
- Conveying / Stacking Equipment (Purchase)
- Janitorial
- Lime
- Marine Fenders
- Misc Metals Landside
- Misc Metals Wharf
- Mooring Bollards
- PMD / SIP
- Precast Concrete Caps
- Precast Concrete Deck Panels
- Precast Concrete Girder Bridges
- Precast Concrete Girders Wharf/Ramps
- Precast Concrete Pile
- Precast Drainage
- PVC Pipe
- Sand Harvest Machines
- Structural Steel Girders & Beams
- Tipping Fee
- Trestle (Incl. Pump Station)
- Trestle Pipe Pile

Site/Project Support Services:

- Catering
- Furniture
- Grass Mowing
- Janitorial
- Office Setup

We also encourage participation by local, small, and diverse companies seeking to provide support services, such as printing and office supplies.

CONTACT US

-  Email: PortNolaOutreach@Kiewit.com
-  Subcontractor Portal: lead.me/KiewitLITProjects

PLEASE JOIN US!



IN-PERSON EVENT
RSVP REQUIRED
CHALMETTE, LA

COMMITMENT TO INCLUSION

Kiewit is committed to meeting or exceeding the business inclusion goals established for the Project. We will maximize opportunities for local, small, and diverse firms through dividing work into economically feasible packages to ensure equitable and meaningful participation; providing timely notification of opportunities through various outreach methods; and partnering with industry and community assist agencies to provide support and resources to firms seeking assistance.

Kiewit is an Equal Opportunity Employer.



 FEBRUARY 12, 2025
5:00 P.M. (CST)

 CLICK HERE TO REGISTER
BY FEBRUARY 7TH TO RECEIVE EVENT
AND LOCATION DETAILS

Bid Opportunity**National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Charging Station Inspection, Data Collection and Reporting Statewide**
Closing Date: February 12, 2025

Attention: A new DOTD Advertisement has been posted for the following project: **CONTRACT NO. 4400030379 - NATIONAL ELECTRIC VEHICLE INFRASTRUCTURE (NEVI) CHARGING STATION INSPECTION, DATA COLLECTION AND REPORTING STATEWIDE**

The Consultant shall provide all personnel, equipment and software necessary to conduct on-site inspection of the construction, maintenance and operation of charging stations designated by DOTD and provide data collection and reporting to ensure adherence to the requirements delineated in 23 CFR 680, et seq. These services shall be provided throughout construction of the NEVI charging stations and for a period of not less than five (5) years from the NEVI final charging station going online. **For the full scope of work, please [click here](#).**

Current advertisement postings can be found at the [CCS Website link here](#).

Upcoming projects can be found on the [projected advertisements website link here](#).

About the National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Formula Program

Louisiana will receive approximately \$73M for electric

vehicle (EV) infrastructure through President Biden's Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA). The Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (LA DOTD) plans to administer the deployment of electric vehicle charging station infrastructure throughout the State. As part of the EV infrastructure deployment plan, the U.S.



Legislature has made National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Formula Program funds available for expenditure by state transportation agencies. These funds will cover 80 percent of the EV infrastructure expenses with a minimum 20 percent state match covered by grant recipients. To disburse these funds, LA DOTD is developing a competitive grant program that allows for a phased approach to the buildout of electric vehicle supply equipment (EVSE) over five years that meets federal requirements of DC Fast Chargers within one mile of designated corridors.

Sign up for updates on our EV grant program through MyDOTD by visiting [La DOTD - MyDOTD](#) and selecting the option to "Sign Up Now" to create an account, or sign in to customize your alerts and select "Electric Vehicle Grant Program".

Please send comments and/or inquiries to DOTD-EVProgram@la.gov. You can also take our public survey [here](#).

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