

**New York State Thoroughbred Breeding & Development Fund Corp.
Minority and Women Owned and Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Business Procurement
Policy**

The Fund is subject to Article 15-A of the Executive Law and 5 NYCRR Parts 140-144 Minority- and Women-Owned Business Enterprises (MWBE), which requires preparation of a Master Goal Plan to describe the procedures the Fund will utilize to comply with the requirements of Article 15-A in order to increase participation of MWBEs.

The Fund is also subject to Article 17-B of the Executive Law and 9 NYCRR Part 252 Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned-Business (SDVOB) Enterprise Program, which requires preparation of a Master Goal Plan to describe the procedures the Fund will utilize to comply with the requirements of Article 17-B in order to increase participation of SDVOBs.

In cases in which the Fund has been doing business with a firm that is owned by a MWBE or SDVOB but not certified by New York State, it will advise the firm of the process for seeking certification for their consideration, and also provide the applicable websites and/or contact information.

It has been the Fund's policy to ensure fair access to MWBEs and SDVOBs by offering opportunities to bid on Fund related contracts. In cases in which the value of a contract is less than \$5,000, Fund policy is to either utilize contractors listed per State Finance Law Section 162(4) as preferred source vendors, consult NYS Office of General Services website for centralized contracts, request bids from the Business-to-Business Yellow Pages, the MWBE Directory and the NYS Certified SDVOB Database, as well as from businesses who have previously performed work for the Fund.

The Fund maintains a file of MWBE and SDVOB vendors that have expressed an interest in doing business with the Fund. The Fund also reviews the MWBE Directory and has been added to the NYS Certified SDVOB's Database distribution list for opportunities in purchasing and procurement, in order to ensure that certified MWBE and SDVOB vendors have an equitable opportunity to participate and compete for Fund business.