

EXECUTIVE ORDER 83-01

Establishing Policies for Minority and Women's Business Enterprises

It is important that minority and women's business enterprises (14WBE) have the opportunity to compete for and secure their fair shares of state contracts. An increased level of participation by such businesses is desirable at all levels of state government.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Spellman, Governor of the state of Washington, by virtue of the power vested in me, do hereby declare and order the following.

It shall be the policy of the state to provide the maximum practical opportunity for increased participation by MWBE's in the process by which goods and services are procured by state agencies from the private sector. Such procurement includes, but is not limited to, personal service contracts, purchasing contracts, public works contracts, purchased goods and services emergency purchases of goods and services, and discretionary purchases.

Agency Goals. I hereby establish as goals that, of the dollar value of all contracts awarded by the state, 9.1 percent be awarded to minority-owned businesses and 3 percent be awarded to women-owned businesses. In addition, these same goals shall apply to each agency. The goals established for each agency shall be administered on a contract-by-contract basis or on a class-of-contracts basis. However, annually, the overall goals will still apply. When an agency in receipt of federal funds is required to have a larger goal than specified above, then that goal shall prevail on all contracts of that agency, whether federally or state funded.

Each agency director is hereby personally charged with the responsibility for achieving full compliance with this Order. Agency directors who report directly to the Governor shall be evaluated by the Governor in this regard. Agencies headed by independently elected officials and by boards and commissions, including the colleges and universities, are encouraged to comply with this Order. Each agency head shall provide to the Governor through the WMBE Coordinator reports of the agency's performance, following procedures to be issued pursuant to this Order.

MWBE Coordinator. The Director, Department of General Administration, is hereby appointed coordinator of the state's MWBE program, with responsibility for coordinating implementation of this Order.

The Director shall:

Establish an MWBE goals-setting procedure for use by all state agencies for all state contracts.

Establish an audited list of certified MWBE's for use by all state agencies.

Establish a monthly MWBE performance reporting procedure for use by all state agencies.

Coordinate the publication of a consolidated monthly MWBE performance report to the Governor.

MWBE Advisory Committee. An MWBE Advisory Committee is hereby established to assist the Coordinator with development and implementation of this program. The Advisory Committee will consist of eleven voting members and eight non-voting members. Of the eleven voting members, to be appointed by the Governor, at least eight shall be minority or women owners of businesses. They shall reflect a fair representation geographically, by minority group, and by sex.

The eight non-voting members shall be:
Director, Department of General Administration, Chair
Director, Office of Financial Management
Secretary, Department of Transportation
Secretary, Department of Social and Health Services
Commissioner of Employment Security
Director, Department of Commerce and Economic Development
Executive Secretary, Human Rights Commission

A representative from the Council for Postsecondary Education

A detailed plan for this program will be submitted to me by the WMBE Coordinator for approval no later than February 15, 1983.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the State of Washington to be affixed at Olympia this 14th day of January A.D., Nineteen hundred and eighty-three.

John Spellman
Governor of Washington

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Secretary of State
