

Supplemental Letter - Annual FY19 HUB Report for Agency 738

The University of Texas at Dallas continues our commitment to expanding our good faith efforts to offer contracting opportunities to qualified HUB vendors. Supplier Diversity Programs partners closely with the University's Purchasing office, campus stakeholders, local Chambers of Commerce, and vendors to increase HUB participation and enhance competition.

Of course, no letter covering the last 12 months could fail to note the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on our program. Supplier Diversity Programs moved to a remote-work model in March, but continues to be a resource for vendors and campus and participate in events – only now, there are fewer events to participate in, and all events are virtual. Also, the University has severely curtailed discretionary spending and postponed several significant construction projects where we had hoped to contract with HUB vendors. Nonetheless, we were able to significantly leverage HUB vendors to purchase PPE and to contract for cleaning and sanitization services.

Despite the impact of the pandemic on spending, UT Dallas maintained 26% HUB spend overall, steady from last year.

Supportive services offered to vendors:

- Attendance at vendor expos
- Hosting annual HUB vendor fair
- Oversight of Mentor-Protege program
- "Matchmaker" between vendors and campus decision-makers

Outreach Activities

- Participated in the Collin Black Chamber of Commerce Expo
- Attended HUB Expo
- Participated in Hard Hat Construction Expo
- Attended ACB Small Business Expo
- Participated in Senator Royce West's Spot Bid Expo
- Participated in HDWG "HUB Talk" series of webinars
- Attended Greater Dallas Asian Chamber of Commerce "Doing Business With" event

Campus Inreach Activities

- Provided updates on HUB program to large meetings of campus stakeholders
- Developed dashboards showing HUB spend to identify areas for improvement and inform decision-making
- Conducted stakeholder meetings focused on reviewing past use of HUB vendors and identifying upcoming projects

Respectfully Submitted,

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