

The University of Houston #783 (UH) is committed to increasing HUB participation and contracting opportunities. The HUB Operations Department (HOD) is responsible for compliance with state HUB requirements and implementation of strategies to help the university meet its HUB goals. During the reporting period (September 1, 2019-August 31, 2020) UH good faith efforts included a variety of actions such as: Community outreach consisted of in-person and virtual participation as event exhibitors; presenters and establishment of a Construction Management Talent Pipeline Program. HOD in partnership with the National Association of Minority Contractors (NAMC) and UH Construction Management (CM) Department created the Construction Management Talent Pipeline Program. The purpose of the Construction Management Talent Pipeline Program are (1) Provide internship opportunities for UH CM students (2) Classes to increase HUB skills and knowledge to become more competitive as prime contractors for UH construction projects; as well as with other similar agencies and institutions (3) Increase Mentor-Protégé opportunities and (4) NAMC becoming a member of the UH Construction Management Department Industry Advisory Board.

Below is a summary of additional HOD good faith efforts to increase HUB participation:

- September 2019--HMSDC Expo; TAAACC 31st Annual Conference
- October 2019---She Said, She Led Women Empowerment Conference; National Association of Minority Contractors Meet & Greet
- November 2019—Houston East End Chamber Awards Celebration; Asian American Chamber Red Ball; UH Large Construction Project Informational and Networking event; East End Chamber of Commerce-Connecting & Growing Businesses Through Knowledge & Procurement event; Greater Houston Procurement Breakfast; State HUB Expo; Greater Houston Black Chamber Women In Business Conference
- December 2019—City of Houston Procurement Forum
- February 2020-- Tri-County Black Chamber of Commerce Business Talk Podcast; Greater Houston Business Procurement Forum; NAMC Construction Conference; Tri-County Black Chamber Business Gala
- March 2020—Construction Management Talent Pipeline Program scheduled to kick-off in October 2020. The program is a 32-hour training program led by UH Construction Management faculty professors, UH Facilities Planning & Construction, and construction industry experts. Upon completion of the classes participants may be considered for a Mentor-Protégé opportunity with various General Contractors.
- March 2020-Asian American Chamber Business Expo
- May 2020—East End Chamber of Commerce (virtual) Meet & Greet
- June 2020—Women Business Enterprise Alliance Virtual Conference
- August 2020-Senator West Spot Bid Fair

UH is committed to the HUB program and will continue our good faith efforts to increase HUB contracting.

Respectfully,

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