



City of  
**SANTA CLARITA**

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RE: Request for Public Participation Review of City of Santa Clarita's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Race Neutral Participation Goal for Federal Fiscal Years 2013/15 (FTA)

Dear Community Member:

As a direct recipient of federal funds, City of Santa Clarita developed its Overall Goal for Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) participation in its Federal Fiscal Years 2013/15 DOT-assisted contracts (FTA). The City of Santa Clarita has implemented its DBE Overall Goal race neutrally. At this time the City would like to invite you to provide feedback and/or comment, relative to the proposed goal calculation and accompanied rationale for the City to review and consider.

The City of Santa Clarita will take into consideration the Caltrans and Metro Disparity Study, to determine if disparity exists for any of the protected classes under 49 CFR part 26 and whether or not a transition to a Race-Conscious DBE Program is warranted. Accordingly, the City of Santa Clarita is currently strictly utilizing Race-Neutral measures to meet its FFY 2013/15 Overall DBE Goal.

Therefore, the City of Santa Clarita has implemented a wholly race-neutral DBE program in direct response to the Ninth Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals decision in the Western States Paving Co. v. United States & Washington State Department of Transportation. In a wholly race-neutral program, the recipient does not set race conscious contract goals on any of its U.S. DOT-assisted contracts for which DBE subcontracting possibilities exist.

As a part of the goal-setting public facilitation process, the City is required to solicit public comment, relative to the goal calculation and rationale. Accordingly, for your review and that of your memberships, City of Santa Clarita has enclosed the **Public Notice** advising businesses of its goal, and the availability to review the goal calculation, rationale and to provide input and comments.

Additionally, for your review and that of your memberships, the City is hosting a consultation session to solicit community input from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Pacific Standard Time, on October 28th, 2014 at the City's office located at:

City of Santa Clarita  
23920 Valencia Blvd.  
Suite #100  
Attn: Joseph Oerum  
Telephone: (661) 286-4184

Mr. Joseph Oerum, Purchasing & Risk Administrator, will serve as the contact person for coordinating your participation in the consultation session, the review of the goal-setting methodology and accepting comments, he can be contacted at (661) 286-4184, or by e-mail at [joerum@santa-clarita.com](mailto:joerum@santa-clarita.com)





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City of Santa Clarita is fully committed to fulfilling the spirit and intent of the U.S. DOT DBE Rule, Title 49 CFR Part 26 in all of City of Santa Clarita's DOT-assisted contracts. Your support of these efforts is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Joseph Oerum,  
Purchasing & Risk Administrator

Enclosure:    Public Notice





## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

### **CITY OF SANTA CLARITA**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**, that the City of Santa Clarita (Herein after referred to as the Agency), has established a Race-Neutral Overall Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Goal of **7%**, for Federal Fiscal Years 2013/15. The DBE Goal is applicable to DOT-(FTA) assisted contracting opportunities scheduled to be awarded during the period of October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2015. The City's Overall Goal and its rationale (developed in response to U.S. Department of Transportation's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program Regulations published under Title 49 CFR Part 26) are available for inspection for thirty (30) days following the date of this Notice, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Pacific Standard Time, Monday through Friday at the City located at:

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Comments will be accepted on the Goal for forty-five (45) days from the date of this Notice. Mr. Joseph Oerum, Purchasing & Risk Administrator, will serve as the contact person for coordinating your participation in the consultation session, the review of the goal-setting methodology and accepting comments, he can be contacted at (661) 286-4184, or by e-mail at [joerum@santa-clarita.com](mailto:joerum@santa-clarita.com), or comments may be forwarded to Mr. Derrin Jourdan, Civil Rights

Officer, U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration, 201 Mission Street,  
Suite 2210, San Francisco, CA, 94105.

Dated at Santa Clarita, California, this 14th day of October, 2014.



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Joseph Oerum  
Purchasing & Risk Administrator