AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2008 7 AM – Check-in/Continental Breakfast

PROGRAM - 7:45 a.m. - 4:40 p.m. NETWORKING RECEPTION - 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Presentation of Colors/Pledge of Allegiance/Invocation/Welcome Comments & Updates by Special Guest Speakers Panel Sessions with Federal Agencies & Prime Contractors

NEW MEXICO 2008 VETERANS' BUSINESS CONFERENCE

MINORITY ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT (MED) WEEK AWARDS LUNCHEON 11:45 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

> LUNCHEON KEYNOTE SPEAKER Jovita Carranza, Deputy Administrator U.S. Small Business Administration, Washington, D.C

Minority Enterprise Development (MED) Week Awards Presentation

Presentations

VA Certifications & Contracting – Public Laws 106-50, 108-183 and 109-461 Introduction to the Proposal Process/Preparing to Bid Service Disabled Veteran Business Panel "Success Stories"

Concurrent Workshops

Veteran's Business Opportunities, Benefits and Services NM Department of Veterans' Services Veteran Business Certification VA/SBA Certifications Requirements Small Business Innovation & Research (SBIR) Program NM Procurement Code & Doing Business with State & Local Governments Access to Capital – Financial Requirements Proposing to Win – PROPOSAL-ing 101 Business Opportunities Overview

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2008 7:00 a.m. – Continental Breakfast 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. - Marketplace Matchmaking with over 30 Federal Agency & Prime Contractor Representatives/Buyers

INVITED SPEAKERS INCLUDE

Jovita Carranza, Deputy Administrator U.S. Small Business Administration, Washington, D.C.

Scott Denniston, Director Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, Washington, D.C.

Joe Grossi, Veteran Business Advocate National Veteran-Owned Business Association (NaVOBA)

4th Annual Service Disabled & Veteran Owned Small Business Conference *"Toolbox for Success"*



September 17 – 18, 2008 Hotel Albuquerque at Old Town 800 Rio Grande Boulevard, NW Albuquerque, New Mexico

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ATTENTION VETERANS, FEDERAL AGENCIES & PRIME CONTRACTORS

The New Mexico Department of Veterans' Services, New Mexico Small Business Development Center Network and the New Mexico District Office of the U. S. Small Business Administration are pleased to present the *4th Annual Service Disabled & Veteran-Owned Small Business Conference*, September 17-18, 2008 in Albuquerque. The theme is *Toolbox for Success* and the 2008 conference will be a premier gathering of federal, state and private sector procurement representatives and small business owners.

Small Business Owners – Learn how to effectively go after and secure federal contracts while at the same time meeting with the right contracting officers and corporate buyers! Representatives from the federal, state and private sectors will be on hand and will be actively seeking to do business with you! Workshops have been designed to give you the competitive edge you'll need to compete for lucrative contracts. Workshops are also designed to assist you in understanding the complexities of financing, certifications and teaming. Come prepared to take your business to the next level! Last year New Mexico's businesses received over \$6 billion dollars in federal contracts. Don't be left out! Build your economic success through government contracting.

Buyers and Contracting Officers – Find businesses providing the products and services you need and reach the goal of awarding at least 3% of contract dollars to service disabled veteran-owned small businesses.

DON'T MISS OUT!!

REGISTER TODAY USING THE ATTACHED REGISTRATION FORM.

THIS CONFERENCE SELLS OUT EACH YEAR!

For additional information call:

Kim Leibman (NMSBDC), (800) 281-7232 or (505) 428-1362 Lloyd Calderon, NM DVS, Director, Veteran Business Development, (505) 841-2956 Susan Chavez (SBA) at (505) 248-8236 or Shirley Bailey (SBA) at (505) 248-8243 or (505) 248-8225.

REGISTER TODAY!!

Registration forms available at <u>http://www.dvs.state.nm.us/vetpro.html</u> & <u>http://www.sba.gov.nm</u>

This conference provides the opportunity to network and meet with Buyers and Contracting Officers, so bring plenty of business cards, brochures, sales literature, etc.!

When:	SEPTEMBER 17-18, 2008 9/17/2008 – 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. 9/18/2008 – 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	
Who:	Service Disabled and Veteran-Owned Small Businesses. Other Small Businesses, Federal Agencies, and Prime Contractors	
What:	 Attend Workshops & Panels Meet with Buyers & Contracting Officers from Federal Agencies & Prime Contractors Find Contracting & Subcontracting Opportunities Learn about your Veteran's Benefits Present your Capabilities in the Matchmaking Marketplace Learn how to Respond to Contracting Opportunities 	
Where:	Hotel Albuquerque at Old Town 800 Rio Grande Blvd, NW Albuquerque, New Mexico Reservations (800) 237-2133 or (505) 843-6300 Conference Hotel Room Rate: \$75.00 To receive the conference hotel room rate register by August 17, 2008. <u>Limited rooms available</u>	
Register Today:	ADVANCE REGISTRATION REQUIRED!! Submit Registration Form by September 5, 2008. <u>Registration Fee: \$50 per person</u> To Register Contact: Kim Leibman, Statewide Event Planner NM Small Business Development Center Network (800) 281-7232 or (505) 428-1362 or via email: <u>Kimber.leibman@sfccnm.edu</u> Fax#: (505) 428-1469	

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Please Print Name of Business/Organization				
Names of Attendees:				
Address:				
City, State, Zip Code:				
Business Phone:	Fax Number:			
Email Address:	Website: (Optional)			
PLEASE CHECK 🖌 ALL THAT APPLY				
Federal (Government)	Prime Contractor	Other (State, Local)		
 PLEASE CHECK ✓ IF PARTICIPATING ONLY IN THE MARKETPLACE/MATCHMAKING ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2008 (7 AM – 3 PM). (NO REGISTRATION FEE charged for agency/prime contractor representatives (buyers), if participating ONLY in Thursday's Marketplace, otherwise Full Conference Fee of \$50 per person applies.) PLEASE CHECK ✓ IF ATTENDING CONFERENCE BOTH DAYS AND PARTICIPATING IN THE MARKETPLACE/MATCHMAKING ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2008 (7 AM – 3 PM). SUBMIT \$50 FOR EACH PERSON ATTENDING CONFERENCE BOTH DAYS. Please complete additional information below. 				
List Names of Individuals (buyers) Names of Buyers/Representatives participating EXCLUSIVELY in the Marketplace/Matchmaking on Thursday, from organization participating in September 18 th : Marketplace session:				
Statement of products and service your organization buys.	5			
Registration: Fee: \$50.00 X# of Attendees = \$No refunds after September 5, 2008 Make Checks Payable to: Santa Fe Community College/Veterans Conference Or submit your credit card details below				
Credit Card: MC Visa American Express E Credit Card (CC) #Expiration Date:				
Name on CC: Billing Address on CC:				
Mail or Fax Registration Form & Payment By September 5, 2008 To: Attn: Kim Leibman NM Small Business Development Center 6401 Richards Avenue Santa Fe, New Mexico 87508-4487 Fax: (505) 428-1469 For guestions and additional information please call Kim Leibman, NMSBDC, (800) 281-7232 or (505) 428-1362.				
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