# **Service Disabled Veterans Fact Sheet**

#### Purpose:

• The purpose of the Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Program is to provide federal contracting assistance to service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns.

#### Authority:

• The authority for the Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Program comes from the Veterans Benefit Act of 2003 (15 U.S.C. 657f).

## Eligibility:

- Service-Disabled Veteran is veteran, or a person who served in the active military, naval or air service, and who was discharged or released there from under conditions other than dishonorable, with a disability.
- Small Business Concern owned and controlled by Service-Disabled Veterans a small business concern: 51% ownership by one or more service-disabled veteran and management and daily business operations controlled by one or more veterans.

#### Mechanics:

- <u>Set-aside</u>: To set aside an acquisition for competition restricted to service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns, the contracting officer must have a reasonable expectation that:
  - o Offers will be received from two or more service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns.
  - o Award will be made at fair market price.
- <u>Sole Source:</u> A contracting officer may award contracts to service-disabled veteranowned small business concerns on a sole source basis provided that the following criteria are met:
  - Only one service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern can satisfy the requirement;
  - o The anticipated award price of the contract, including options, will not exceed:
    - \$5 million for requirement within the NAICS Codes for manufacturing;
      or
    - \$3 million for a requirement within any other NAICS Code;
  - o The service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern has been determined to be a responsible contractor with respect to performance; and
  - Award can be made at a fair and reasonable price.

## **Government-Wide Participation Goals:**

• The government-wide goal for participation of service-disabled veterans, a subset of the veteran category, shall be not less than 3 percent of the total value of all prime contract and subcontract awards for each fiscal year.

### Miscellaneous:

• For more information on resources available to veterans, visit the Veteran Administration's Web sites at <a href="http://www.va.gov">http://www.vetbiz.gov</a>. Also visit the Small Business Administration Web site <a href="http://www.sba.gov">http://www.sba.gov</a> to learn about other available Federal assistance for veterans.