

AQD'S FOCUS ON SMALL BUSINESS

About The Acquisition Services Directorate

The Acquisition Services Directorate (AQD), a Federal shared-service provider within the U.S. Department of the Interior's National Business Center (NBC), offers acquisition support to all Federal agencies. We help managers in both civilian and military organizations fulfill their missions by crafting appropriate procurement solutions.

The Acquisition Services Directorate uses proven business practices while delivering cost-effective contracts. Our Contracting Officers will handle the complete acquisition lifecycle, utilizing innovative technology and value-added benefits. Nearly half of our contracts are awarded to small businesses. In order to be eligible for Federal contracts, vendors must be registered in the Central Contractor Registry (CCR), the primary registrant database for the U.S. Federal Government.



Small Business Goals

The Business and Economic Development Plan (BEDP) goals are closely tracked and monitored at the Acquisition Services Directorate. Each year, these goals are negotiated with the OSDDBU and the Small Business Administration. It is important to note that all small business award credits are returned to the client agency.

Vendor Database

Visit our Acquisition Services Directorate Vendor Database at www.aqd.nbc.gov/Vendor/vendors_database.asp. Registration is complimentary and entirely voluntary. The goal of this database is to provide small, medium, and large business with added exposure to Program Managers, Contracting Officers, and other key decision makers in the Federal government. Inclusion in this database improves visibility for businesses and encourages networking between commercial vendors and the contractors looking to forge relationships on behalf of the US Government. When you are on the site you can:

- ▶ Login to your account
- ▶ Search for Registered Vendors
- ▶ Register as a Business Vendor

Small Business Utilization

Beginning with the Department of the Interior's Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU), there has been continuous executive support for the small business program. We applaud the success of the small business community and their commitment to the Federal government.

To learn more about the Acquisition Services Directorate, visit us at www.aqd.nbc.gov or call 703.964.8800





Vendor Resources

AQD Vendor Database

www.aqd.nbc.gov/Business/VendorDatabase.aspx

Solicitation Alerts

www.aqd.nbc.gov/Business/solicitalalerts.aspx

Current Open Solicitations

www.aqd.nbc.gov/Business/Solicitations.aspx

Acquisition Forecast

<https://ideasec.nbc.gov/j2ee/forecast.jsp>

Federal Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU)

www.osdbu.gov/

