Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Certification

Missouri Department of Transportation
Intent of the DBE Program

- Ensure nondiscrimination
- Create a level playing field for DBEs.
- Narrowly tailored program
- Eligibility standards
- Remove barriers
Eligibility

- For-profit business

- Must be at least 51% owned and controlled by a socially and economically disadvantaged individual(s)

- Personal net worth of less than $1.32 million

- The owner must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident

- $26.29 million in gross annual receipts
Regulations

- MoDOT administers the DBE Program in accordance with 49 CFR Part 26
Social & Economic Disadvantaged

- Women
- Black Americans
- Hispanic Americans
- Native Americans
- Asian-Pacific Americans
- Subcontinent Asian-Americans
- Other groups designated by SBA
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- The firm must be independent – not dependent on its relationship with another firm(s)
- Not subject to any formal or informal restrictions which limit the customary discretion of the socially and economically disadvantaged owners.
- The socially and economically disadvantaged owner must possess the power to direct and make day-to-day as well as long term decisions.
How do I become certified?

- [https://www.modot.org/dbe-program](https://www.modot.org/dbe-program)
  - Moot DBE Application
  - PNW form
  - On-site review
  - Determination
MRCC Partners

- Missouri Department of Transportation
- City of Kansas City, Missouri
- Kansas City Area Transportation Authority
- Mid-America Regional Council
- East-West Gateway Council of Governments
- St. Louis Lambert Airport Authority
- Bi-State Development
MRCC DBE Directory

- https://www6.modot.mo.gov/MRCC/Home/PublicSearch
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