

## Department of General Services Procurement Division

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**TO:** Purchasing Authority Contacts (PACs)

**Procurement and Contracting Officers (PCOs)** 

Small Business (SB) / Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE)

**Advocates** 

RE: Invitation to participate in Business Matchmaking and Exhibit at the California Black Chamber of Commerce Business Economic Summit –

**September 30, 2022** 

You are invited to participate in a business matchmaking and exhibit at the upcoming California Black Chamber of Commerce Business Economic Summit. This event is in partnership with the Department of General Services (DGS) Statewide Supplier Diversity Program (SSDP) and the California Hispanic Chambers of Commerce.

Assembly Bill 1574 (Chapter 756, Statute of 2021), amending Government Code (GC) §14838 (Committee on Jobs, Economic Development, and the Economy) effective January 2022, created the Leveraging State Procurement for an Inclusive Economic Recovery Act of 2021. This bill instructs state departments to regularly seek out small businesses and microbusinesses that have not previously done business with the state.

This event is a great opportunity to meet California certified SBs and DVBEs that provide the goods and services you purchase under the SB/DVBE Option. The goal is to create cooperative connections and business opportunities that mutually benefit both the certified SB/DVBE and state departments. Attendance is expected to be 150 and there is **NO COST** to participate.

When: Friday, September 30, 2022, 9:00 a.m. – noon

Where: Embassy Suites, 100 Capitol Mall, Sacramento, CA 95814

Who should attend: State Buyers and SB/DVBE Advocates – this invitation is for state

officials only

Space is limited, so please RSVP your intent to participate via email to <a href="mailto:darvin.manuel@dgs.ca.gov">darvin.manuel@dgs.ca.gov</a> by August 19, 2022, and include:

- In Subject: Business Matchmaking/Exhibit
- Contact first and last name
- Department or agency name
- Email address

All interested parties will be invited to register for the business matchmaking and exhibit. PCOs and PACs are asked to share this invitation with buyers and other appropriate staff.

## **Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA):**

Persons with disabilities requiring reasonable accommodation to participate in this event, please contact:

darvin.manuel@dgs.ca.gov (279) 946-7983

Additional ADA information regarding reasonable accommodation is available at:

Access Reasonable Accommodation information here

A minimum of five business days is required when requesting a reasonable accommodation.

For questions regarding this notification please email:

SupplierDiversity@dgs.ca.gov