DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE SUPPORTIVE SERVICES PROGRAM (DBE-SS)

	FAST Act (extension)	Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)				
Fiscal year (FY)	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Contract Authority	**$10 M**	**$10 M**	**$10 M**	**$10 M**	**$10 M**	**$10 M**

<u>Note</u>: Except as indicated, all references in this document are to the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), enacted as the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, Pub. L. 117-58 (Nov. 15, 2021).

Program Purpose

The BIL continues the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Supportive Services program (DBE-SS) to develop, conduct, and administer training programs and assistance programs in connection with any program under title 23, United States Code, in order that minority businesses may achieve proficiency to compete, on an equal basis, for contracts and subcontracts.

Statutory Citation

- 23 U.S.C. 104(a); 140(c)

Funding Features

<u>Type of budget authority or Authorization of Appropriations</u>

- Contract authority from the Highway Account of the Highway Trust Fund, subject to the overall Federal-aid obligation limitation.

<u>Source of funding</u>

- The DBE-SS program is funded by a set-aside not to exceed $10 million (for each of FY 22-26) from the funding that BIL authorizes for FHWA's administrative expenses. The allocation is distributed by an administrative formula. [23 U.S.C. 104(a), 140(c)]

<u>Federal share</u>

- 100% for DBE-SS

Program Features

- The BIL makes no change to the manner in which FHWA administers this program.

Additional Information and Assistance

- For more information about the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program, visit: <u>Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program - Civil Rights | Federal Highway Administration (dot.gov)</u>

- FHWA can connect you with your local FHWA office and support you with technical assistance for planning, design, construction, preserving, and improving public roads and in the stewardship of Federal funds. For assistance, visit: <u>https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/technical_support.cfm</u>