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**Traveling Towards a Level Playing Field: Tips
for Pursuing Disadvantaged Business
Enterprise Certification**

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Certifications

SMWBE Program “Local”

- **Small Business Enterprise (SBE)**
- **Minority Business Enterprise (MBE)**
- **Women Business Enterprise (WBE)**
- **Veteran Business Enterprise (VBE)**
- **African American Business Enterprise (AABE)**
- **Asian American Business Enterprise (ABE)**
- **Disabled Individual Business Enterprise (DIBE)**
- **Emerging Small Business Enterprise (ESBE)**
- **Hispanic American Business Enterprise (HABE)**
- **Native American Business Enterprise (NABE)**

*To be considered eligible for any of the certifications, a firm must be independent and for-profit owned by a majority of U.S. Citizens or legally permanent residents.

Federal Program

- **Disadvantage Business Enterprise (DBE)**
 - **Airport Concessionaire Disadvantage Business Enterprise (ACDBE)**
- *A business structure for-profit small business concerns where socially and economically disadvantaged individuals own at least 51% interest and also control management and daily business operations

State Certification

- **Historically Underutilized Business (HUB)**

Texas Certifying Agencies

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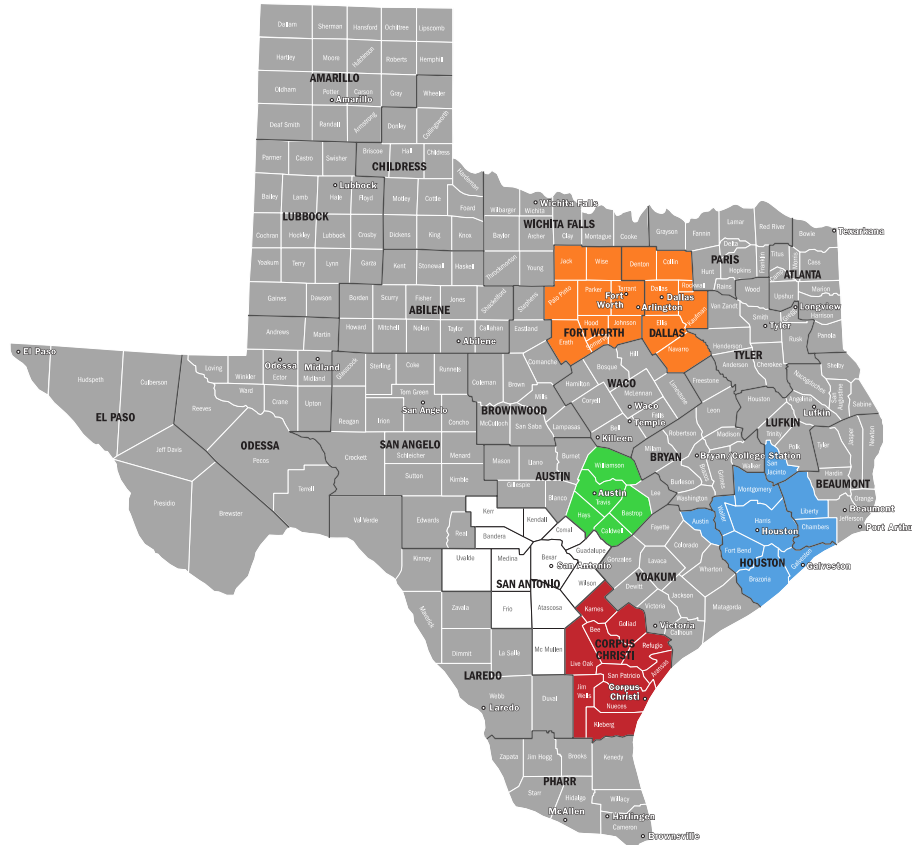
- **City of Austin Small & Minority Business Resources**
 - MBE/WBE, DBE/ACDBE, SBE
 - <https://austintexas.mwdbe.com>
- **City of Houston Office of Business Opportunity**
 - SBE, WBE, MBE, Persons with Disabilities, DBE/ACDBE
 - <https://houston.mwdbe.com/>
- **Corpus Christi Regional Transportation Authority**
 - DBE/ACDBE
 - <https://ccrta.gob2g.com/?TN=ccrta>
- **North Central Texas Regional Certification Agency**
 - MBE, WBE, SBE, DBE/ACDBE
 - <https://nctrca.mwdbe.com/?TN=nctrca>
- **South Central Texas Regional Certification Agency**
 - AABE, ABE, DIBE, ESBE, HABE, MBE, NABE, SBE, VBE, WBE, DBE/ACDBE
 - <https://sctrca.sctrca.org/?TN=sctrca>
- **Texas Department of Transportation**
 - SBE, DBE/ACDBE
 - <https://txdot.txdotcms.com/>
- **Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts**
 - HUB
 - <https://mycpa.cpa.state.tx.us/>

*Each certifying agency reviews and processes their certifications according to their Policy and Procedure Manual for the local certifications

*As for the DBE and ACDBE certifications, they are reviewed and processed according to the Federal regulations [49 CFR Part 26 and Part 23](#).

Agency Jurisdictions

TEXAS UNIFIED CERTIFICATION PROGRAM CERTIFYING AGENCY REGION MAP



- **City of Austin**
- Bastrop
- Caldwell
- Hays
- Travis
- Williamson

- **City of Houston**
- Austin
- Brazoria
- Chambers
- Fort Bend
- Galveston
- Harris
- Liberty
- Montgomery
- San Jacinto
- Waller

- **Corpus Christi Regional Transportation Authority**
- Aransas
- Bee
- Goliad
- Jim Wells
- Karnes
- Kleberg
- Live Oak
- Nueces
- Refugio
- San Patricio

- **North Central Texas Regional Certification Agency**
- Collin
- Dallas
- Denton
- Ellis
- Erath
- Hood
- Jack
- Johnson
- Kaufman
- Navarro
- Palo Pinto
- Parker
- Rockwall
- Somervell
- Tarrant
- Wise

- South Central Texas Regional Certification Agency**
- Atascosa
- Bandera
- Bexar
- Comal
- Frio
- Guadalupe
- Kendall
- Kerr
- McMullen
- Medina
- Wilson

- **Texas Department of Transportation**
- All other remaining counties

Funding Source: DBE and SBE Comparison

The Office of Diversity & Federal Compliance will assign a contract specific goal based on the funding source.

DBE Goal

- USDOT-Assisted Contracts
- Federal Transit Administration (FTA)

SBE Goal

- Local funds
- State funds
- Operational funds

DBE/SBE Contract Opportunity Model





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Resources

- Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) website <https://www.txdot.gov/>
- TxDOT Big Opportunities Start Small (BOSS) Guide <https://ftp.txdot.gov/pub/txdot-info/civ/boss-guide.pdf>
- TxDOT Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program <https://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/division/civil-rights/dbe.html>
- Texas Unified Certification Program (TUCP) <https://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/division/civil-rights/tucp.html>
- TxDOT Diversity Management System <https://txdot.txdotcms.com/>
- TxDOT Business page <https://www.txdot.gov/business.html>
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