



**NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT
DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE) GOAL
FEDERAL FISCAL YEARS (FFY) 2022 -2024**

This announcement will serve as notice of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority's (Metro) Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) triennial Overall Goal of 28% for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) – assisted contracts. The overall goal is for a three-year period from Federal Fiscal Years 2022 – 2024 (FFY22 –FFY24) beginning October 1, 2021 to September 30, 2024. Metro plans to achieve its overall DBE goal by using race and gender neutral (race-neutral) measures and race and gender conscious (race-conscious) measures. Metro will achieve 3.6% of its overall goal utilizing race-neutral measures, and 24.4% of its overall utilizing race-conscious measures. The overall goal is expressed as a percentage of FTA funds Metro Projects to expend for the triennial goal period. The goal methodology used is in accordance with the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) DBE Program Final Rule, 49 Code of federal regulation, Part 26. The triennial overall goal is established to achieve a “level playing field” for DBE’s to participate in metro’s FTA-assisted contracting opportunities.

Additionally, pursuant to 49 Code of Federal Regulations Part 26, Metro must seek a waiver from the Department of Transportation to implement its DBE Program to address the identified DBE group, Subcontinent Asian American-owned businesses found to have no substantial disparities in the 2017 Metro Disparity Study.

The proposed overall DBE goal and goal methodology is posted on Metro’s website for review. Metro will accept public comments for a 30-day period beginning May 13, 2021 and ending June 13, 2021. Public comments will be accepted via email at: LAMetroGandM@bbcresearch.com or GoalComment@metro.net, or US mail to:

METRO
Diversity & Economic Opportunity Department
Attn: Public Comment Overall DBE Goal
Mail Stop: 99-8-4
One Gateway Plaza, Los Angeles, CA 90012

To view the Goal and Goal Methodology Report, on the Metro website, visit:
http://media.metro.net/uploads/Metro_Connect/Overall%20DBE%20Goal%20FFY2022-FFY2024.pdf

To view the Public Hearing Goal and Goal Methodology Presentation, visit:
http://media.metro.net/uploads/Metro_Connect/Public%20Hearing%20Overall%20DBE%20Goal%20FFY22-FFY24%20Presentation.pdf

To review the 2017 Final Metro Disparity Study, visit:
<https://www.metro.net/about/metro-disparity-study/>.

Public Hearings

To prevent the spread of COVID-19, public hearings will be held virtually only.

LA Metro will hold hearings to consult with stakeholders, which include minority and women business groups, community organizations, trade associations and other officials or

organizations that may have information concerning the availability of disadvantaged business and to accept comments on the DBE overall goal and goal methodology. If you require an additional form of assistance, such as an interpreter, in order to fully participate in this meeting, please contact Metro at least three working days (72 hours) in advance of the scheduled meeting date at (213) 922-4600 or (323) 466-3876 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

- **Tuesday, May 25, 2021 | 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.**
- **Thursday, May 27, 2021 | 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**
- **Thursday, June 3, 2021 | 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**

Lifesize link: <https://call.lifesizecloud.com/9098928>, **Passcode:** 1111#

Call-In (audio only): +1 (877) 422-8614

Meeting extension: 9098928#

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