

Hudson Initiative

How can Louisiana give your business a competitive edge?

Louisiana's Hudson Initiative is a certification program designed to help eligible Louisiana small businesses gain greater access to purchasing and contracting opportunities that are available at the state government level.

Benefits

Provides business accessibility to state purchasing officials and contractors looking for subcontractors. In addition, 10 percent of the total evaluation points can be added to the business's bid on a Request for Proposal (RFP).

Eligibility

The program is open to businesses that have fewer than 50 full-time employees, a principal place of business in Louisiana, and average annual gross receipts not exceeding \$5 million for non-construction and \$10 million for construction companies. The business must be independently owned and operated by persons domiciled in Louisiana and have officers who are U.S. citizens or legal residents. The business must not be dominant in its professional field. Prime contractors who use the business as a subcontractor on a bid for an RFP are also eligible to receive additional percentage points on bids.

Process

- 1. Complete the application on LED's website.
- 2. LED reviews the application.
- 3. Certification status is emailed to applicant.
- Register as vendor with Office of State Purchasing to receive notifications about opportunities.
- 5. Submit annual updates by certification anniversary date to remain certified.

Additional information

The LED team is ready to assist you with the application process. For more information, FAQs and help with your application, visit

OpportunityLouisiana.com/Hudson-Initiative.

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