



Types of Contracts Offered

All of the contracts in this program come from DeIDOT's Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) which offers an array of projects, ranging from transit modifications to landscaping. Check out the list below to see the different types of work that are offered!

- On-road and off-road trail facilities
- Sidewalk and lighting improvements
- Safe routes to school
- Bicycle or pedestrian projects
- Recreational trails
- Preservation and rehabilitation of historic transportation facilities
- Vegetation management
- Archaeological activities related to transportation project impacts
- Environmental mitigation - pollution prevention, stormwater management, etc.



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OPPORTUNITIES for Small Businesses



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Contracts for Small Businesses Only



The Delaware Department of Transportation's (DelDOT) Small Business Program has contract opportunities set aside exclusively for small businesses. This is intended to foster small business participation and help small businesses compete for DelDOT projects. The Small Business Program is **race-** and gender-neutral and ensures small businesses are given an equal opportunity to participate.

Do You Qualify as a Small Business?

If you are a certified disadvantaged business (DBE) with DelDOT, you already meet the standards for a small business and may participate in this program.

If you are not a DBE, you may still participate as long as you meet the small business size standards as defined by the Small Business Administration (SBA). A helpful size standards table can be found at sba.gov/sites/default/files/files/Size_Standards_Table.pdf. Please note this URL is case-sensitive. You will need to find the North American Industry Classification system (NAICS) code that best describes the type of work you are offering to DelDOT. This can also be found at the SBA website noted above. Each NAICS code has a SBA size standard in gross revenues and/or number of employees that you must come under in order to be considered a small business.



How the Process Works

1. Start by registering to work with DelDOT at deldot.gov/information/business/bids/const_vendor_lists.shtml
2. Bids can be accessed at bids.delaware.gov. You can also register to receive e-mail notifications for particular bid categories.
3. Submit your bid.
4. Once the bid period closes, DelDOT will review all bids and the lowest bidder will be given ten days to prove that they are an eligible small business* under the rules created by the SBA and the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT). Three years gross receipts will need to be provided to DelDOT, with the average annual receipts not exceeding \$23.98 million. The bidder must also meet the size limit required by their NAICS code (size limits can be found at sba.gov/sites/default/files/files/Size_Standards_Table.pdf).

If efforts to ensure a firm's small business status have not been fulfilled within ten days of being named the lowest bidder, the corresponding bid proposal is automatically disqualified from consideration. DelDOT will begin the process of verification with the next lowest bidder, and so on until the size standards are met.

**If the apparent lowest bidder is a DelDOT-certified DBE, the firm is automatically qualified for participation as a small business unless it is determined that more information is needed before a decision can be made. DelDOT will not rely upon, or accept, a small business verification process used by any other entity.*