

# **Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Three-Year Goal-Setting Methodology Report**

City of Racine, Wisconsin

For the Racine area public transit system, doing business as:



Also known as The BUS (Belle Urban System), DART (Dial-A-Ride Transit for persons with disabilities), and KRM (Kenosha-Racine-Milwaukee) Commuter Bus operated by Wisconsin Coach Lines, which is also known as Coach USA.

FFY 2022-2024

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This draft report updates a comment draft that was on the RYDE website. It reflects public participation at the Racine Transit Commission on September 23, 2021.

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## Introduction

This document constitutes Racine, Wisconsin's submission for RYDE, its public transit system, of its Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Transit Overall Goal Setting Methodology Report to the United States Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for Federal Fiscal Years (FFY) 2019, 2020 and 2021.

The report has been prepared in compliance with:

- DBE Regulations, 49 CFR 26.45, as amended,  
[http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?tpl=/ecfrbrowse/Title49/49cfr26\\_main\\_02.tpl](http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?tpl=/ecfrbrowse/Title49/49cfr26_main_02.tpl)
- USDOT, "Tips for Goal Setting in the DBE Program"  
<https://www.transportation.gov/osdbu/disadvantaged-business-enterprise/tips-goal-setting-disadvantaged-business-enterprise>

The four elements or steps of the goal setting process are outlined in 49 CFR 26.45(c-g) as follows:

1. The measurement of the actual relative availability of DBEs to perform RYDE's anticipated contracting opportunities;
2. Adjustment factor analysis to evaluate evidence of the effects of discrimination in RYDE's jurisdiction and determine whether an adjustment is necessary;
3. Calculation of the race/gender-conscious and neutral split for the goal attainment;
4. Consultation and publication regarding the goal to facilitate public input.

## Executive Summary

RYDE's overall DBE transit goal for FFY 2022-2024 is **2.9%** of the Federal financial assistance it will expend in FTA-assisted contracts. This excludes FTA funds to be used in the purchase of transit vehicles. The race-neutral goal split is **1.0%** and the race-conscious goal split is **1.9%**

A total of **\$7,198,000** in FTA funds are anticipated to be awarded by RYDE on FTA-assisted contracts during the FFY 2022-2024 time period. A goal of **2.9%** means that RYDE has set a goal of expending approximately **\$208,000** with DBE firms for the combined three-year period. Of that amount, the race-neutral goal split is \$69,000 and the race-conscious goal split is \$139,000.

This goal was based on budgeted expenditures in RYDE's largest budgeting and accounting line items.

# Overall Goal Setting Methodology

## Step One – Relative Ability of DBE Firms

### Base Figure

The **Base Figure** for the relative availability of DBE’s was calculated as follows:

$$\frac{690 \text{ Ready, willing, and able DBEs}}{21,078 \text{ All firms ready, willing and able}} = 3.3\% \text{ Base figure (\%)}$$

Supporting documentation used to calculate the goal is contained in **Appendix A**.

### Data Sources and Demonstrable Evidence – Numerator

This section outlines the data sources and demonstrable evidence RYDE used to derive the numerator (ready, willing and able DBEs).

The numerator of the base figure is 690. In order to derive the numerator, RYDE collected information regarding anticipated contracting opportunities for the three-year goal-setting period. We aggregated all of RYDE’s future expenses by budget and accounting “object” codes. We removed from consideration the codes that have to do with RYDE’s direct labor costs and other internal municipal expenditures. We added a new building project.

The worksheet **Appendix A. Tab 1. “Anticipated projects, firm availability and unweighted Step 1 result,”** shows the anticipated contracting opportunities for FFY 2022-2024.

RYDE used the information from anticipated contracting opportunities to identify relevant and applicable NAICS (North American Industry Classification System) codes for each Object code. Next, using the contract-specific NAICS industrial codes, we reviewed the Wisconsin Unified Certification Program (UCP) list to determine ready, willing and able DBE firms in relation to those anticipated contracting opportunities. Much care was taken in determining which industrial codes corresponded to actual past transactions found for an Object code. However, all DBEs within an identified NAICS code were counted among the ready, willing and able DBE firms.

**Appendix A. Tab 1** includes the results of RYDE’s search of the Wisconsin UCP list. **Appendix A. Tab 2. NAICS Code Definitions** shows the intermediate step of accumulating firms one NAICS Code at a time. The WI DBE UCP Directory and the Census of Wisconsin Firms counted by NAICS code are not appended in the interest of a manageable sized document.

A base figure of **3.3%**, calculated from the number of ready, willing, and able DBE firms through the UCP list divided by the total number of firms summed for all applicable NAICS codes is shown at the bottom of the table in **Appendix A. Tab 1 Anticipated Projects**. This result is brought forward to a summary in **Appendix A. Tab 5. Calculations** along with results of all other methods for comparison.

Similar to the analysis of the UCP list data, RYDE reviewed the US Census raw data using the NAICS codes arrived at through review of the anticipated contracting opportunities. In this way, staff arrived at a total number of firms relative to the type of contracting opportunities anticipated over the three-year period.

### **Data Sources and Demonstrable Evidence – Denominator**

This section describes the data sources and demonstrable evidence RYDE used to identify the denominator (all firms - ready, willing and able). The denominator of the base figure is 11,490. Census data information for Wisconsin, using the same NAICS codes, was used to determine the number of all firms ready, willing and able to perform on the anticipated contracts. The Wisconsin business pattern data from the Census was not modified to exclude any potential firms.

### **Bidders List**

A bidders list was not used. Because past experience with most of these Object codes involved many smaller purchases, data regarding DBEs that were not selected was not recorded. (However, we see an opportunity for DBE participation in these smaller purchases as well as an upcoming building project.)

### **Use of Weighting**

According to USDOT's "Tips for Goal Setting in the DBE Program", the use of weighting can help ensure the base figure is as accurate as possible. While weighting is not required by rule, it can make the goal calculation more accurate. RYDE staff chose to adopt a weighted approach in its DBE goal calculation; the worksheet labeled **Appendix A. Tab 3. Weighted Base** shows the same data as the previous 'Anticipated Projects' worksheet, with columns added to show weighting for each Object code listed.

The weighting is achieved at this stage by multiplying the DBE to all firms ratio for an Object code by the share of all dollars spent in that Object code. This weighting is listed at the bottom of the last column, titled "Weighted Base." The weighted base is **2.9%**. This figure is forwarded to the **Appendix A. Tab 5. Calculations.**

## ***Step Two – Adjustment Factor Analysis***

RYDE considered a number of potential factors to determine whether any adjustments to the Step One Base Figure of **2.9%** were warranted.

### **Past Participation**

A prominent factor in an adjustment consideration is past participation. Past participation is the volume of work DBEs have performed on transit contracts in recent years. **Appendix A. Tab 4. Achievement** shows data from previous six semi-years. Historically **0.0%** of contract dollars went to DBEs. The figure was calculated as the median value of six time periods. The two middle values were averaged. This figure was forwarded to **Appendix A. 5. Calculations.**

Normally, actual achievement is important because it adds another estimation technique. Although we show the calculation of averaging the weighted base goal, which is the product of a lot of analysis, and zero, in **Appendix A. 5. Calculations**, doing so doesn't make sense for setting a goal in this case.

Despite a lack of success in hiring DBEs, RYDE remains committed to hiring DBEs to the extent that they are ready, willing and able. This issue will be addressed in our shortfall analysis and in Step Three of this goal setting report.

Conclusion: we were not able to use past participation as a factor, so at this point the Step One Base Figure of **2.9%** remains unchanged.

### **Disparity Studies**

We did not find a relevant disparity study.

### **Step Three – Calculation of Race Neutral (RN) & Race-Conscious (RC) Split**

Consideration for the use of race-conscious means in addition to race-neutral means to facilitate DBE participation is another aspect of goal-setting.

USDOT "*Tips for Goal Setting in the DBE Program*" lists the following considerations to evaluate:

- Consider the Amount by Which You Exceeded Your Goals in the Past
- Consider Past Participation by DBE Prime Contractors
- Consider Past Participation by DBE Subcontractors on Contracts without Goals

RYDE compared the draft goal from Step 2 to Past Participation by DBE Prime Contractors. Our goal was not achieved through race/gender-neutral means.

RYDE considered race neutral – race conscious split alternatives. Our reasoning is summarized in **Appendix A. Tab 6. RN-RC Split** documents.

RYDE's preferred option is to divide our procurements into routine purchases where we deal primarily with prime contractors and the building project where there is a far greater opportunity to use sub-contractors.

Repeating the Step 1 analysis, we simply removed the building project from the original anticipated projects and then considered it on its own.

The result, shown in Appendix A. Tab 6. RN-RC Split, is a higher race-conscious goal of **4.3%** for the building project and a lower weighted **1.7%** race-neutral goal for the balance of our procurement program.

However, FTA calculates its RN/RC splits as the DBE amount divided by the total expenditures. So, the overall goal is 2.9%. The RN split is 1% and the RC split is 1.9% of total expenditures.

With this race/gender-neutral goal in mind, RYDE is improving its race/gender-neutral DBE program efforts by taking proactive steps so that potential DBEs know about RYDE's DBE program and its specific purchasing and contracting opportunities. Our aim is to become acquainted with more potential DBEs so they feel encouraged to participate as a DBE contractor to RYDE. These efforts are described in the next section.

## ***Step Four – Public Participation and Consultation***

RYDE's Public Involvement Policy and Practices were revised and adopted as part of our 2017-2019 Title VI Program.

In establishing an overall three-year goal, transit agencies must provide for public participation. Public participation must include the two following steps: consultation with interested parties and a published notice.

### **Consultation**

RYDE's consultation process involves consideration of input during the development of the goal. Minority, women's, and general contractor groups, community organizations and other officials or organizations may provide information concerning the availability of disadvantaged and non-disadvantaged businesses, the effects of discrimination on opportunities for DBEs, and RYDE's efforts to establish a level playing field for the participation of DBEs.

RYDE conducted a discussion at its September 23, 2021 Transit Commission meeting. For a previous goal setting process, RYDE held an open house with a free lunch at our Transit Center and placed a public notice announcing the open house and soliciting comments on our website. We reached out to racial minority organizations. At the event, information on the goal-setting process, the anticipated projects, and availability of firms was available. RYDE's DBELO and general manager attended to facilitate a discussion and to obtain participant input. Assistance with signing up to become a DBE was offered. All appropriate forms were on hand. The effort was not effective and was not repeated this time.

Public notices are discussed in the next section.

All input is included in Appendix B.

The DBE goal was not changed as the result of public participation and consultation.

### **Published Notice**

The DBE Final Rule, which became effective November 3, 2014, requires posting a notice on the agency's website announcing the proposed overall goal before submission to FTA. The notice may also be posted in any other sources (e.g. minority-focused media, trade association publications).

Public notices announcing the DBE process and seeking public comment were published in the main daily local paper and two minority publications. One ad was bilingual. We posted the notice on our web page. We attended the Hispanic Heritage Month Luncheon at the Cesar Chavez Center,



2221 Douglas Avenue from 11:30 am to 1: 30 pm where we networked with Hispanic business and community leaders.

Upon establishment of the draft goal, public notices were issued by RYDE to provide the opportunity for public comment. Documentation of publication of the notices is provided in **Appendix B**.

Any comments received by the end of the 30-day public comment period are listed in **Appendix B**. No issues were identified with the methodology report to warrant further analysis of a step two goal adjustment. Communications to foster DBE participation are ongoing as part of our DBE program efforts.

# Appendices

## Appendix A. Tab 1. Anticipated projects, firm availability and unweighted Step 1 result

Budget	3-Year Total	NAICS Code Type of Firm	# DBEs	# non-DBEs	# All Firms	Step 1 Goal - Relative Availability
New building design and construction	\$3,225,000	See Next tab	414	9177	9591	4.32%
52290 Management	\$514,200	485113	0	6	6	0.00%
53235 Tires and Tubes	\$108,300	423130	2	27	29	6.90%
52100 Payroll prep and transport	\$90,000	541214; 561613	5	78	83	6.02%
52315 Advertising	\$240,000	512110; 541430; 541611; 541613	55	1424	1479	3.72%
53200 Work Supplies (Hardware)	\$84,900	444130	0	431	431	0.00%
54500 Software Lease	\$135,000	423430	4	124	128	3.13%
54200 Vehicle Maintenance and Parts	\$1,083,000	336991; 423120; 441310	2	995	997	0.20%
53240 Clothing	\$54,600	424320, 30 , 40	2	70	72	2.78%
53250 Diesel Fuel Sales and 53280 oil	\$1,324,050	454310 and 19	6	249	255	2.35%
52120 Audit Services	\$54,000	541219	12	585	597	2.01%
54100 Repairs and maintenance of facility	\$285,600	See next tab	188	7222	7410	2.54%
	\$0		0	0		
	\$0		0	0		
	\$0		0	0		
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$7,198,650</b>		<b>690</b>	<b>20,388</b>	<b>21,078</b>	<b>Unweighted Step One Goal 3.3%</b>
						for calculations 3.2736%

## Appendix A. Tab 2. NAICS Code Definitions

NAICS Code Definitions				
NAICS 2012	Index Item Description	DBE	All	%
236210	Addition, alteration and renovation, industrial building (except warehouses)			
236220	Addition, alteration and renovation, commercial and institutional building			
238110	Concrete floor surfacing, pouring, repair, resurfacing			
238220	Air system balancing and testing, furnace, humidifier, HVAC, heating, ventilation, plumbers			
334220	Airborne radio communications equipment, manufacturing, CB radios			
336991	Vehicle, children's, metal manufacturing			
423120	Batteries, automotive, merchant wholesalers, motor vehicle parts, tools, equipment	2		
423430	Computer boards, loaded, merchant wholesalers, data processing, software computer, printer	4		
441310	Auto salvage yards (i.e., retailing used auto parts), auto parts and accessories			
485210	Interurban and rural bus transportation	0	3	0.00%
485310	Cab (i.e., taxi) services, taxi dispatch, taxicab owner-operators			
485991	Handicapped passenger transportation services, paratransit services, senior transit, special needs transit			
512110	Films, motion picture production and distribution, instructional video production	0		
518210	Computer data storage services, computer time leasing, web hosting, data capture imaging			
541430	Corporate identification (i.e., logo) design services, graphic design services, illustrators independent	17		
541611	Administrative management consulting services, business mangt consulting, strategic planning	0		
541613	Marketing consulting services	38		
541690	Radio consulting services, safety consulting, security consulting			
454310	Fuel dealers and 454319 Other Fuel Dealers	1	212	0.47%
424720	Petroleum and Petroleum Products Merchant Wholesalers (except Bulk Stations and Terminals)	5	43	11.63%
238150	Glass and glazing contractors	6	73	8.22%
238160	Roofing contractors	18	446	4.04%
238210	Electrical contractors and other wiring installation contractors	33	1357	2.43%
238220	Plumbing, heating, and air-conditioning contractors	20	1885	1.06%
238290	Other building equipment contractors	12	178	6.74%
561622	Locksmiths	0	50	0.00%
561710	Exterminating and pest control services	1	109	0.92%
561720	Janitorial services	42	1132	3.71%
561730	Landscaping services	44	1998	2.20%
561790	Other services to buildings and dwellings	12	182	6.59%
423130	Tire and tube merchant wholesalers	2	29	6.90%
541214	Payroll services	5	68	7.35%
561613	Armored car services	0	15	0.00%
444130	Hardware stores	0	431	0.00%
424320	Men's and boys' clothing and furnishings merchant wholesalers	1	36	2.78%
424330	Women's, children's, and infants' clothing and accessories merchant wholesalers	1	30	3.33%
424340	Footwear merchant wholesalers	0	6	0.00%
541219	Other accounting services	12	597	2.01%

NAICS 2012	Index Item Description	DBE	All	%
	<b>New Building</b>		State	
238110	Poured concrete foundation and structure contractors	20	593	3.37%
238120	Structural steel and precast concrete contractors	17	50	34.00%
238130	Framing contractors	17	282	6.03%
238140	Masonry contractors	14	430	3.26%
238150	Glass and glazing contractors	6	73	8.22%
238160	Roofing contractors	18	446	4.04%
238170	Siding contractors	8	278	2.88%
238190	Other foundation, structure, and building exterior contractors	16	70	22.86%
238210	Electrical contractors and other wiring installation contractors	33	1357	2.43%
238220	Plumbing, heating, and air-conditioning contractors	20	1885	1.06%
238290	Other building equipment contractors	12	178	6.74%
238310	Drywall and insulation contractors	33	393	8.40%
238320	Painting and wall covering contractors	31	683	4.54%
238330	Flooring contractors	17	343	4.96%
238340	Tile and terrazzo contractors	7	149	4.70%
238350	Finish carpentry contractors	26	631	4.12%
238390	Other building finishing contractors	5	126	3.97%
238910	Site preparation contractors	36	819	4.40%
238990	All other specialty trade contractors	55	571	9.63%
	<b>Total</b>	391	9357	4.1787%
541310	Architectural services	23	234	9.8291%
	<b>Total building and arch</b>	414	9591	4.3165%

**Appendix A. Tab 3. Weighted Base**

Budget	Step 1 Goal - Relative Availability		% of Total Funds	Weighted Base
New building design and construction	4.32%		44.8%	1.93%
52290 Management	0.00%		7.1%	0.00%
53235 Tires and Tubes	6.90%		1.5%	0.10%
52100 Payroll prep and transport	6.02%		1.3%	0.08%
52315 Advertising	3.72%		3.3%	0.12%
53200 Work Supplies (Hardware)	0.00%		1.2%	0.00%
54500 Software Lease	3.13%		1.9%	0.06%
54200 Vehicle Maintenance and Parts	0.20%		15.0%	0.03%
53240 Clothing	2.78%		0.8%	0.02%
53250 Diesel Fuel Sales and 53280 oil	2.35%		18.4%	0.43%
52120 Audit Services	2.01%		0.8%	0.02%
54100 Repairs and maintenance of facility	2.54%		4.0%	0.10%
			0.0%	
			0.0%	
			0.0%	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>Unweighted Step One Goal 3.3%</b>		<b>Weighted Step One Goal</b>	<b>2.9%</b>
	for calculations	3.2736%		2.8952%

### Appendix A. Tab 4. Achievement

Period	Prime Total Dollars	Prime Total Number	Prime Race Conscious Dollars	Prime Race Conscious Number	Prime Race Neutral Dollars	Prime Race Neutral Number	Sub Total Dollars	
2018	\$ 3,486,553.00	1229			\$ 554.00	1		
2019	\$4,360,110	1391			\$ 155.00	1		
2019	\$84,556	31			\$ -	0		
2020	\$90,288	38			\$ -	0		
2020	\$358,993	27			\$ -	0		
2021	\$73,831	23			\$ -	0		
			Semi-year	Rank Dollars %	% Dollars	% Number	Rank Number %	
			2018	1	0.02%	0.08%	1	
			2019	2	0.00%	0.07%	2	
			2019	3	0.00%	0.00%	3	
			2020	4	0.00%	0.00%	4	
			2020	5	0.00%	0.00%	5	
			2021	6	0.00%	0.00%	6	
			Median*		0.00%	0.00%		
			*Median is the average of rank #3 and #4					

### Appendix A. Tab 5 Calculations

DBE Goal Calculations				
Step 1 Goal - Relative Availability	Weighted Base Goal (WBG)	Historical Median (HM)	Overall DBE Goal	Weighted Base DBE Goal
3.273600%	2.895233%	0.000000%	1.447600%	3.084400%
As determined in 'Anticipated Projects' tab	As determined in 'Weighted Base' tab	As determined in 'Achievement' tab	$\frac{(WBG + HM)}{2}$	$\frac{(WBG + \text{Step One Goal})}{2}$
Rounded	Rounded	Rounded	Rounded	Rounded
3.3%	2.9%	0.0%	1.4%	3.1%

## Appendix A. Tab 6. RN-RC Split

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				0				0.0%	
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	\$0		0	0				0.0%	
	\$0		0	0				0.0%	
	\$0		0	0				0.0%	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$3,973,650</b>		<b>276</b>	<b>11,211</b>	<b>11,487</b>	<b>Unweighted Step One Goal</b>	<b>2.4%</b>	<b>Weighted Step One Goal</b>	<b>1.7%</b>
	\$ 69,209.07	RN				for calculations	2.4027%		1.7417%
238XXX New building design and construction	3,225,000	See Next tab	414	0	9591	<b>Unweighted Step One Goal</b>	<b>4.3%</b>	Not defined	
Building	1.90%	\$ 139,208.63	RC			for calculations	4.3165%		
Total	2.90%	\$ 208,417.71	DBE			<b>Rounded</b>	4.30%		
Total		\$ 7,198,650.00	All firms						

## **Appendix B. Record of Public Involvement**

The following item appeared in the August 27, 2021 Racine Journal Times (local daily paper) legal notices and the Racine Mirror, September edition, (a minority publication). Copies follow.



### **Public Notice**

#### **City of Racine Transit System (RYDE) Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Goal**

The City of Racine's area transit system, known as RYDE, DART (Dial-A-Ride Transit), and BUS (Belle Urban System), hereby notifies the public that it is seeking input on setting a DBE participation rate goal on contracts assisted by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) in fiscal years 2022-2024. The current goal is 0.7%.

Further information is available at the RYDE website:

<https://www.cityofracine.org/Racine-Transit/> under the heading "Racine DBE Goal."

Comments and questions may be directed to Michael J. Maierle, Transit and Parking System Manager, 730 Washington Avenue, Racine WI 53403, or via email at [michael.maierle@cityofracine.org](mailto:michael.maierle@cityofracine.org). Comments will be accepted until September 26, 2021.



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Legal Notices

Pub. August 20, 27, Sept. 3, 2021. T3 STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT RACINE COUNTY NOTICE TO CREDITORS (Informal Administration) IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Richard J. Griffin Case No. 21PR0231

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: 1. An application for informal administration was filed. 2. The decedent, with date of birth November 12, 1928 and date of death May 6, 2021, was domiciled in Racine County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 5511 Hillside Drive, Racine, Wisconsin 53402.

3. All interested persons waived notice. 4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is November 25, 2021. 5. A claim may be filed at the Racine County Courthouse, 730 Wisconsin Avenue, Room 503.

Electronically signed by Justice E. J. Campbell, Probate Registrar. DATE SIGNED: August 12, 2021 Form Completed by (Name) Anthony John M. Szarek 9505 Washington Avenue, Ste 5 Racine, Wisconsin 53406 262.619.4100 Bar Number (if any) 1052091 FILED 08-12-2021 Register in Probate Racine County 2021PR0231

Pub. Aug. 27, Sept. 3, 10, 2021. T3 COMBINED HEARING ON ASSESSMENT OF BENEFITS AND PROPOSAL FOR ASSESSMENT OF S

TO: All Members of the Farm #4 (Eagle Creek Drainage District) Located in Racine County, Wisconsin

You are hereby notified that a meeting of the Racine County Board of Drainage Commissioners will be held on September 16, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium of the Racine County Building, Level G, Kenosha, located at 14200 Washington Avenue, Sturtevant, Wisconsin 53177.

The meeting is based upon a report which has been filed by the Racine County Board of Drainage Commissioners showing the assessed benefits and proposed assessment of costs for maintenance, repairs and normal operating expenses, in the amount of \$750,000.00 to members of the Farm #4 (Eagle Creek Drainage District). A copy of said report is available for inspection at the office of the Racine County Treasurer. However, the Racine County Treasurer will not give information over the telephone regarding said report.

The purpose of the meeting is to:

- 1. Allow property owners within the Farm #4 (Eagle Creek Drainage District) to examine their assessed benefits, the proposed assessment of costs, to enter comment thereon and to address all general concerns of the people residing in the district.
2. Review and confirm assessed benefits.
3. Review and confirm the extent of any repairs, maintenance, restoration, administrative and other expenses associated with the Farm #4 (Eagle Creek Drainage District) drainways, and assess costs for maintenance, repairs and normal operating expenses in the amount of \$750,000.00.
4. Review and confirm the allocation among all of the parcels of land in the

Farm #4 (Eagle Creek Drainage District) the received benefit based upon the confirmed benefits.

All objections to the jurisdiction of the Drainage Board, the sufficiency or legality of any condition report, or assessment of benefits, assessment of costs or the equity of any assessment, shall be filed with the Drainage Board, in writing, before the hearing and said objections shall be set forth clearly and in detail. Any such written objection should be accessed to:

Racine County Board of Drainage Commissioners Farm #4 (Eagle Creek Drainage District) c/o Knutson, Hinkson & Rosenber, 300 Calzesa Avenue Racine, WI 53402 Racine County Drainage Board (In) Alan Jaspertson, Chairman

Pub. Aug. 13, 20, 27, 2021. T3 STATE OF WISCONSIN COUNTY OF RACINE IN THE MATTER OF THE ANDERSON FAMILY TRUST NOTICE TO CREDITORS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: 1. The Revocable Living Trust Plus of Jean D. Anderson and John W. Anderson was created on March 5, 1999. 2. Jean D. Anderson and John W. Anderson were the settlors and trustees of the trust.

3. John W. Anderson passed away on January 28, 2019. 4. Jean D. Anderson passed away on July 10, 2021. 5. Upon the death of the second of the trustees to die, the Anderson Family Trust was funded. 6. The trustees were domiciled in the County of Racine, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 1051 N. Sunnyvale Dr. #103, Racine, WI 53406.

7. The deadline for filing a claim against the trust is November 29, 2021. 8. Claims may be sent to Pruitt Law Offices S.C., 731 Main Street, Racine, WI 53406.

Form completed by: Attorney John P. Zabkowitz Address 731 MAIN STREET RACINE, WI 53403 Telephone 262-633-9301 Bar Number 1053895

Pub. Aug. 13, 20, 27, 2021. T3 STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT RACINE COUNTY PUBLICATION SUMMONS ARTISAN AND TRUCKERS CASUALTY COMPANY vs CT Corporation System 301 S. Bedford St, Suite 1 Racine, WI 53403 Plaintiff.

BUTTERLIES EXPRESS, LLC 1150 Main St, Apt. 204 Racine, WI 53403 Defendant.

BRAD IDO 1505 Fay Lane Oconomowoc, WI 53066

CHRIS AND RACHEL LEIFER 570V14265 Resford Lane Muskego, WI 53150

JEREMY COCHRANE 12138 W. Virginia Circle, Unit 1 Franklin, WI 53132

BESTBUY CO., INC. c/o CT Corporation System 301 S. Bedford St, Suite 1 Racine, WI 53403

PILOT AIR FREIGHT, LLC d/b/a Pilot Freight Services 2 Emmon Way, Suite 400 Glen Mills, PA 19342 & SEDGWICK CLAIMS MANAGEMENT SERVICES, INC. c/o Conceptor System Company

8040 Excelsior Drive Madison, WI 53717. Noted Parties: Case No. 2021CV1129 To: BUTTERLIES EXPRESS, LLC 1150 Main St, Apt. 204 Racine, WI 53403

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the plaintiff named above has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. Within forty (40) days after (date of publication) you must respond with a written demand for a copy of the complaint. The demand must be sent or delivered to the court, whose address is 730 Wisconsin Avenue, Racine, WI 53403, and to Divine High, S.C. plaintiff's attorneys, whose address is 540 Lake Avenue, Suite 300, Racine, Wisconsin 53403. You may have an attorney help or represent you.

If you do not demand a copy of the complaint within 45 days, the court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be entered in the complaint. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.

Dated August 9, 2021. DEIVINE HAHN, S.C. By: Electronically signed by Anne D. Cohen Anne D. Cohen, Bar No. 1101943 Attorneys for Plaintiff, Arisan and Truckers Casualty Company

Mailing Address: 540 Lake Avenue, Suite 300 Racine, WI 53403 (262) 832-7541 (262) 532-1255 (fax)

Pub. August 27, Sept. 3, 10, 2021. T3 STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT RACINE COUNTY Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration) IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Caroline F. Blasquez Case No. 2021PR2843

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: 1. An application for informal administration was filed. 2. The decedent, with date of birth April 21, 1941 and date of death August 14, 2020, was domiciled in Racine County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 5904 Gallant Fox Lane, Racine, Wisconsin 53402.

3. All interested persons waived notice. 4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is December 3, 2021. 5. A claim may be filed at the Racine County Courthouse, 730 Wisconsin Ave. Racine, Wisconsin, Room 5th Floor.

Electronically signed by Bruce E. Fisher, Probate Registrar DATE SIGNED: August 20, 2021 Form completed by: Christopher J. Henning, Esq. Address: 5403 Sheridan Road, Suite 202 Kenosha, Wisconsin 53144 Telephone 262-593-3571 Bar Number 1104702

Pub. August 20, 27, Sept. 3, 2021. T3 STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT RACINE COUNTY NOTICE TO CREDITORS (Informal Administration) IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF David Gargan Deceased May 25, 2021 Case No. 21PR0232

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: 1. An application for informal administration was filed.

2. The decedent, with date of birth May 25, 2021, was domiciled in Racine County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 3325 Buckingham Road, Sturtevant, WI 53177. 3. All interested persons waived notice. 4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is November 27, 2021. 5. A claim may be filed at the Racine County Courthouse, 730 Wisconsin Avenue, Room 5th Floor.

Further information is available at the RYDE website: https://www.cityofracine.org/Racine-Transit under the heading "Racine DBE Goal."

Comments and questions may be directed to Michael J. Malare, Transit and Parking System Manager, 730 Washington Avenue, Racine, WI 53403, or via email at michael.malare@cityofracine.org. Comments will be accepted until September 28, 2021.

Pub. Aug. 27, Sept. 3, 2021. T3 BID PRIVATE ROAD SNOW PLOWING TOWN OF NORWAY NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Town of Norway is accepting bids for the Private Road Snowplowing Contract for Private Roads located in the Town. The term of the contract will be for 2 years, for the 2021 & 2022 winter seasons. A bid packet will list the private roads.

1. Price for plowing with or without salt per road. 2. Hourly price for removal of snow if needed.

Bid packet must be obtained from the Town Clerk's Office at 6410 Hog Park Road, Wind Lake, WI 53185. Evidence of proper insurance coverage will be required from the successful bidder. A list of equipment is required. Bids will be accepted in the Town Clerk's office until Friday, September 10, 2021 at 6:15 PM.

NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 21CV1212

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above. From: Kalden Marcus Berg Nelson To: Kalden Marcus Berg Nelson

FILED Eugene Gustafson Racine County Clerk of Courts 16 AUG 27 PM 1:58

Pub. Aug. 27, 2021. T1 OFFICIAL NOTICE #10-2021 Notice is hereby given that bids will be received with the Purchasing Agent, City Hall, 730 Washington Ave. Room 106, Racine, WI 53403, until 10:00 A.M. CST on September 13, 2021 for RFP Comprehensive Plan for the City of Racine. We will be in accordance with specifications available and on file in the above office. Monica G. Santos, Purchasing Agent

Pub. Aug. 27, 2021. T1 City of Racine Transit System (RYDE) Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Goal

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Pub. Aug. 27, Sept. 3, 2021. T3 OFFICIAL NOTICE TO UTILITY CONTRACTORS RACINE WASTEWATER UTILITY CITY OF RACINE, WISCONSIN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed proposals will be received for the following work:

CONTRACT C-31 2021 ROOF REPLACEMENT LIFTSTATION #1

Bids will be received until 10:00 AM local time, on Tuesday, September 14, 2021. All bids will be opened electronically through QuestCON.

Project description: Roof replacement using asphalt shingle and fully-saturated EPDM single-ply roofing on Lift Station #1, as further described within Section 01 11 00 - Summary of Work.

Engineer will conduct an on-site, mandatory pre-bid conference at 9:00 AM, Friday, September 14, 2021. Contract documents can be viewed online (free) or downloaded (\$30) at www.questcon.com. The QuestCON access number for this contract is 7988323.

No bids will be allowed unless accompanied by a bid check or a bid bond equal to at least five percent (5%) of the bid payable to the Racine Wastewater Utility.

Prospective bidders are required to be pre-qualified with the Racine Wastewater Utility or the City of Racine Commissioner of Public Works via (6) working days prior to the time of opening bids. Pre-qualification forms can be found within the contract documents.

The Racine Wastewater Utility reserves the right to reject any or all bids, waive any irregularities or accept that bid which, in the opinion of the Owner, will serve the best interest of the Racine Wastewater Utility.

Dated at Racine, Wisconsin, August 20, 2021.

Michael Giller, Interim General Manager Racine Water and Wastewater Utility

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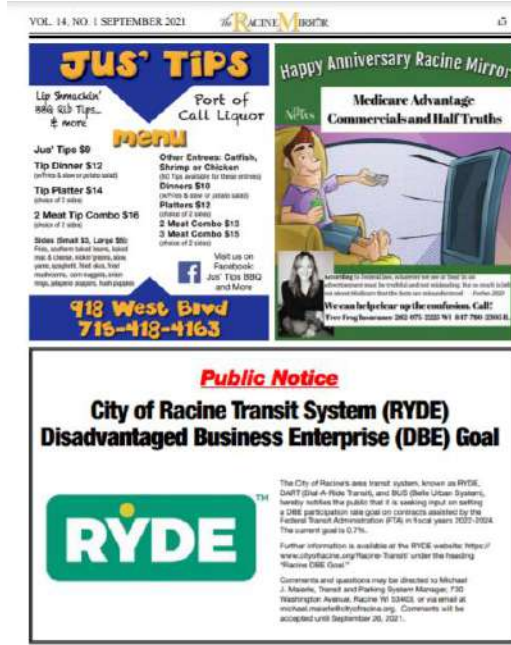
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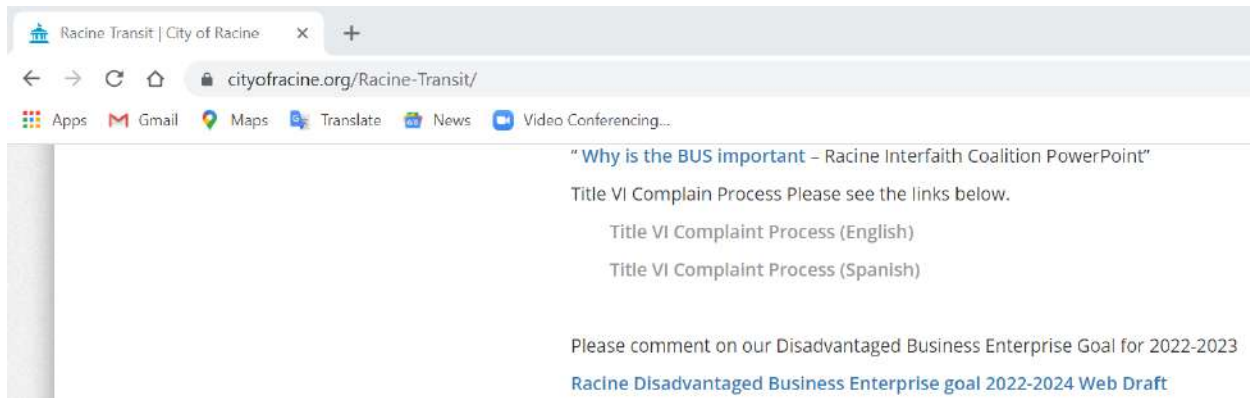


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## Transit Agency Website



### Comments

From: Nim Joshi <[nim@designstouch.com](mailto:nim@designstouch.com)>  
Sent: Wednesday, September 22, 2021 2:08 PM  
To: Jung, Trevor <[Trevor.Jung@cityofracine.org](mailto:Trevor.Jung@cityofracine.org)>  
Subject: Re: DBE Comment Request

Hi Trevor,

Thank you for reaching out regarding Racine's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program goal-setting methodology.

We appreciate Trevor Jung, City of Racine Transit Manager, sharing the Racine's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program goal-setting methodology. We have not received any inquiries from local agencies regarding our services despite being DBE certified firm. We strongly believe that the goal-setting methodology will increase awareness of local DBE firms, resulting in more contracts from various local and federal agencies.

Best,

Nim Joshi  
[nim@designstouch.com](mailto:nim@designstouch.com)  
Direct: (262) 320-7872

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**From:** John T Williams <jtw@american-design.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 23, 2021 11:26 AM  
**To:** Maierle, Michael <Michael.Maierle@cityofracine.org>; Jim Piwoni <jimp@american-design.net>; jane williams <janejwms@gmail.com>; Nathan Elliott <nathane@american-design.net>  
**Cc:** Jung, Trevor <Trevor.Jung@cityofracine.org>  
**Subject:** Re: Building project in Racine

Hello Mike

I am currently in Northern Wisconsin off the grid. Hence WiFi is spotty.

I appreciate the contact.

The only things I could add are:

1. Make the participation level meaningful i.e. 5% for WBE and 18% for Professional firms. I say Professional firms. All too often contractors are included in goals but not engineering firms, architectural firms, public relation firms etc.
2. Make sure you have a concrete method of tracking your participation. Hire a firm that specializes in this i.e. Carla Cross or Randy Crump.
3. If your transit system doesn't provide service to the underserved neighborhoods. It should.
4. Incorporate a community input/public meeting (with renderings) into your planning fund raising process.

American Design would like to assist in the front-end planning and in providing architectural services.

However, at present we are too busy. Next summer we may have additional capacity.

Best of luck to you.

JT



**John T Williams**  
*President*  
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From Racine Transit Commissioner Ram Bhatia at the Sep 23, 2021 Transit Commission meeting

[Edited transcript]

My question is: This is a goal for a three-year plan. Do we have any methodology on how are we going to monitor any progress. Would that be reported to this commission quarterly or semi-annually?

[Staff explained the semi-annual Uniform Report of DBE Awards or Commitments and Payments Form.]

That makes sense. Thank you.

From Racine Transit Commissioner Chelsea Powell at the Sep 23, 2021 Transit Commission meeting

[Edited transcript]

What have we done in the past in terms of DBE participation as it relates to the 2.9% goal? Is that a reached goal?

[Staff explained the annual DBE Shortfall Analysis and Corrective Action Plan.]

If I could follow up. It sounds like a meaningful increase from where we have been. Make it a meaningful percent or a much higher number. I think there are a lot of systemic reasons that the ability of DBES to apply for these contracts has been limited. I think it would interesting to be aware of how many women- and minority-owned businesses that you are working with, even if they are not a certified DBE. That would be really helpful, because it's a list of companies that could be encouraged to participate in the program moving forward.

It would also be interesting to hear from DBEs that have tried to submit for these contracts. Sometimes because they are disenfranchised they are also under-resourced in terms of knowing how to submit, understanding the language, in what can often be a complicated process for government contracting opportunities. It would be interesting to do some listening in terms of what those limitations are and maybe adding some additional guidance within our request for proposals or changing some of the language or making things a little more accessible to help increase that number. I see that as a systemic way of starting to move toward that 2.9% and hopefully be able to set an even more ambitious goal as it becomes a more accessible process for disenfranchised businesses.

[Staff responded that City leadership reviewed this draft item. The DBE program is a priority for the administration of the City of Racine. This is certainly something that is on the radar, not just for our commissioners, but also for the leadership in City Hall.]

### **Racine Transit Commission Action**

The Racine Transit Commission approved Item 0758-21, RYDE's DBE Three-Year Goal Setting Methodology Report, as distributed and presented.