

73.16 Procurements from small businesses and targeted small businesses goals.

Notwithstanding any provision of law or rule relating to competitive bidding procedures:

1. Every agency, department, commission, board, committee, officer or other governing body of the state shall purchase goods and services supplied by small businesses and targeted small businesses in Iowa. In addition to the other provisions of this section relating to procurement contracts for targeted small businesses, all purchasing authorities shall assure that a proportionate share of small businesses and targeted small businesses identified under the uniform small business vendor application program of the department of economic development are given the opportunity to bid on all solicitations issued by agencies and departments of state government.
2. The director of each agency or department of state government having purchasing authority shall establish a procurement goal from certified targeted small businesses identified pursuant to section 10A.104, subsection 8, of at least ten percent of the value of anticipated procurements of goods and services, including construction, but not including utility services, each fiscal year. The director of each department and agency of state government shall cooperate with the director of the department of inspections and appeals, the director of the department of economic development, and the director of the department of management and do all acts necessary to carry out the provisions of this division.

The director of each agency or department of state government having purchasing authority shall issue electronic bid notices for distribution to the targeted small business web page located at the department of economic development if the director releases a solicitation for bids for procurement of equipment, supplies, or services. The notices shall be provided to the targeted small business marketing manager forty-eight hours prior to the issuance of all bid notices. The notices shall contain a description of the subject of the bid, a point of contact for the bid, and any subcontract goals included in the bid.

A community college, area education agency, or school district shall establish a procurement goal from certified targeted small businesses, identified pursuant to section 10A.104, subsection 8, of at least ten percent of the value of anticipated procurements of goods and services including construction, but not including utility services, each fiscal year.

Of the total value of anticipated procurements of goods and services under this subsection, an additional goal shall be established to procure at least forty percent from minority-owned businesses, and forty percent from female-owned businesses.

86 Acts, ch 1245, §832; 88 Acts, ch 1273, §11; 90 Acts, ch 1156, § 6; 94 Acts, ch 1076, §5; 2000 Acts, ch 1231, §35