

**MINORITY AND WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES &
VETERAN OWNED BUSINESSES POLICY
TOWN OF MONTGOMERY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

The Town of Montgomery Industrial Development Agency (the “Agency”) was created in 1971. One of its purposes is to promote and assist in the construction of facilities for qualifying businesses, research or recreation, and thereby advance job opportunities, general prosperity and the economic welfare of the residents of the Town of Montgomery. To this end, the Agency seeks to expand the job opportunities otherwise available to minority and women-owned business enterprises (“MBE/WBE”), as well as veteran owned businesses (“VOB”) in the Town and surrounding areas.

To further this purpose, it is the policy of the Agency to carry out its promotion and assistance of construction activity for qualifying businesses to require that those receiving benefits from the Agency, and their contractors and subcontractors, take good faith efforts to achieve the MBE/WBE goals set by the State of New York (N.Y. Executive Law, Article 15-A) and to make sufficient outreach and exercise best efforts to VOBs for inclusion in the contract letting and awarding. Specifically, such recipients, and their contractors and subcontractors, shall demonstrate to the Agency that they have taken good faith efforts to:

1. Obtain a list of State-certified MBE/WBEs.
2. Actively and affirmatively solicit bids for contracts and subcontracts from qualified State-certified MBEs and/or WBEs, taking particular attention to those MBE/WBEs located in the Town of Montgomery and surrounding areas, and to ensure solicitations to MBE/WBE contractor associations.
3. Where feasible, divide various construction work needed into smaller portions to enhance participation by MBE/WBEs, and encourage the formation of joint venture and other partnerships among MBE/WBE contractors to enhance their participation.
4. Obtain lists of VOBs from New York Office of General Services and elsewhere and ensure such companies inclusion in contract letting and awarding for project work.
5. Document and maintain records of bid solicitations, including those to MBE/WBEs and VOBs, and actions taken toward meeting the MBE/WBE and VOB contract participation goals noted above.