

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program

The Wayne County Airport Authority (Airport Authority) is a recipient of federal funds for airport improvement projects. As such, the Airport Authority is mandated to have a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program. The rules and regulations governing the DBE program are found in Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Parts 23 and 26. In complying with these requirements, the Airport Authority sets and/or reviews goals each year for DBE participation in concessions, construction, professional services, and residential sound insulation program contracts.

A Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) is defined as a for-profit small business owned and controlled by individuals that are both socially and economically disadvantaged and have been certified as such by one of four (4) certifying agencies in the State of Michigan. It is the policy of the Airport Authority that DBEs shall have the maximum opportunity to participate in the performance of contracts. In addition, all contractors performing work for the Airport Authority under federal grant programs shall take all necessary and reasonable steps, as defined in Title 49 CFR Parts 23 and 26, to ensure that DBEs have the maximum opportunity to participate in the performance of contracts without discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin or sex.

DBE Reporting Forms for the Airport Authority

(Under Construction)

Michigan Unified Certification Program (MUCP)

DBE Certification is obtained through one of the four (4) certifying agencies of the Michigan Unified Certification Program (MUCP). Through the MUCP, an applicant is required to apply only once for DBE Certification that will be honored by all federal grant recipients in the state of Michigan (49 CFR §26.83 (b) (2)).

For further information on the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program, contact the Airport Authority Business Diversity Unit at (734) 955-8885.