

# FACT SHEET

## FTA Overall DBE Goal (FYs 2024-2026)

### What is the Broward MPO Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program?

The Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization (Broward MPO) is dedicated to serving our community, including ensuring nondiscrimination of disadvantaged business enterprises (DBEs) in the award and administration of U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Transit Administration (FTA)-assisted contracts. The goals of the program are:

- To remedy past and current discrimination against DBEs.
- To ensure a "level playing field" in which DBEs can compete fairly for FTA-assisted contracts.
- To improve the flexibility and efficiency of the DBE program.
- To reduce burdens on small businesses.

### DBE Program Webinar

Please join the Broward MPO for a webinar on the FY 2024-2026 FTA DBE goal on May 25, 2023, from 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. EDT. The webinar will include a brief presentation on doing business with the MPO and the DBE goal setting process followed by a Q&A session.

A link to register for the webinar can be found on the Broward MPO's DBE Program webpage under the Title VI/DBE" section of our website. This is found under the "Work With Us" tab at the top of our homepage or directly at <https://www.browardmpo.org/title-vi-dbe1>.

Please contact Norma Corredor, DBE Liaison Officer, at (954) 876-0051 or [corredorn@browardmpo.org](mailto:corredorn@browardmpo.org) for more information.

### What is a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise?

A disadvantaged business enterprise or DBE means a for-profit small business—

- (1) That is at least 51% owned by one or more individuals who are both socially and economically disadvantaged or, in the case of a corporation, in which 51% of the stock is owned by one or more such individuals; and
- (2) Whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more of the socially and economically disadvantaged individuals who own it.

*Source: Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations Part 26*

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### Overall DBE Goal

The Broward MPO has calculated an overall **DBE goal of 6.6%** for FYs 2024-2026, which must be submitted to FTA by August 1, 2023.

The goal setting process includes a 30-day public comment period from May 5 – June 4, 2023.

The next update of the Broward MPO's DBE goal is due to FTA no later than August 1, 2026.

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