

MWBE OPPORTUNITIES

View vast New York State and New York City opportunities for MWBEs.

NEW YORK STATE

The New York State Contract Reporter (NYSCR)

NYSCR is New York's official website of state procurement activity. All state agencies, authorities, and public benefit corporations must advertise bid opportunities valued at \$50,000 or more viewable here:
<https://www.nyscr.ny.gov/adsOpen.cfm>
There are, on average, over 100 open ads posted in the past 7 days, viewable here:
<https://www.nyscr.ny.gov/adsOpen.cfm>

Dormitory State Authority of New York (DASNY)

DASNY is New York State's public finance and construction authority, and currently has over a dozen active procurement opportunities. View DASNY Opportunities here:
<https://www.dasny.org/opportunities/rfps-bids>

New York Office of Government Services (OGS)

OGS Procurement Services is the state's centralized procurement office, managing nearly 1,500 contracts for commodities, services, and technology. View all available opportunities here:
<https://ogs.ny.gov/procurement>

NEW YORK CITY

The City Record Online

The City Record Online (CROL) is now a fully searchable database of notices published in the City Record newspaper which includes solicitations and awards and official rules proposed and adopted by city agencies. Sign up here:
<https://a856-cityrecord.nyc.gov/Visitor/SignUp>

NYC Mayor's Office of Contract Services (MCOS)

The MCOS's Procurement and Sourcing Solutions Portal (PASSPort) makes it easy to complete procurement tasks and compete for City contracts. Create an account here to view all opportunities:
<https://www.nyc.gov/site/mocs/passport/about-passport.page>

Doing Business with New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA)

To participate in NYCHA's procurement opportunities and download bid documents, M/WBEs can register with NYCHA's free online procurement portal here:
<https://www.nyc.gov/site/nycha/business/isupplier-vendor-registration.page>

Annual M/WBE Procurement Plans

An annual plan detailing the anticipated contracting actions for the upcoming fiscal year for each city agency, from New York City Mayor's Office of Contract Services
<https://www.nyc.gov/site/mocs/resources/m-wbe-lll.page>



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MWBE

Fall 2025
Update

Minority-And Women-Owned Business Enterprises

Provided by Assemblymember Rodneyse Bichotte Hermelyn

A Message from

Assemblymember Rodneyse Bichotte Hermelyn • AD 42
*Chair, Subcommittee on Oversight of Minority and
Women-Owned Business Enterprises*

Dear friends, neighbors, and the community,

As the Fall season is in full swing, I want to take a moment to recognize the resilience, innovation, and determination of New York's Minority- and Women-Owned Business Enterprises (MWBEs) Community. This season reminds us of the importance of growth and renewal – and that same spirit continues to drive our collective mission to ensure equity and opportunity for every entrepreneur across our state.

In the past year, we have made significant progress in expanding access to capital, improving state contracting participation, and strengthening accountability within the MWBE program. Yet, our work is far from over. We remain focused on breaking down systemic barriers that prevent minority- and women-owned businesses from thriving at every level of government and industry.

Building on the findings of the 2024 MWBE Disparity Study, our work has focused on turning data into action – ensuring that the persistent inequities identified are met with real, measurable solutions. We also celebrated the adoption of Resolution K.554, officially recognizing May 21st as MWBE Advocacy Day, reaffirming our collective commitment to economic inclusion.

I am committed to ensuring New York remains a national leader in economic inclusion. I'm pleased to present the Fall 2025 Edition of my MWBE Newsletter to help, by increasing access to resources and business opportunities for the MWBE community and encourage all business owners to take advantage of available certification programs, state procurement opportunities, and the many workshops designed to help you grow and sustain your business.

Should you have any questions about MWBEs or need assistance, please contact my office at 718-940-0428 or ad42@nyassembly.gov. You can also visit my website: nyassembly.gov/mem/Rodneyse-Bichotte-Hermelyn.

Sincerely,

Rodneyse Bichotte Hermelyn

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MWBE LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

Highlights of Introduced Legislation to Enhance MWBE Success and Expand the Program (As of August 2025)

As the **Chair of the MWBE Subcommittee, Assemblymember Bichotte Hermelyn** has been instrumental in the passage of laws she sponsored to help MWBEs thrive and succeed. Read on for highlights of bills introduced by Assemblymember Bichotte Hermelyn for the 2025 Session, along with notable legislation from her colleagues.

Bill numbers and additional MWBE-related legislation can be searched on the NYS Assembly bill lookup page for more information: <https://nyassembly.gov/leg/>

Indicates bills sponsored in both the Assembly and Senate

***A3518 Bichotte Hermelyn/S4155 Sanders:** Requiring contracting agencies to contact minority and women-owned business enterprises when such enterprise is listed on a utilization plan and when a contract is awarded.

***A5491 Bichotte Hermelyn/S2284 Webb:** Providing for prompt payment by contractors receiving public funds of amounts owed to small businesses and minority-owned business enterprises.

A7116 Bichotte Hermelyn: An act to amend the state finance law, in relation to reports on agency minority and women-owned business development contracts and spending.

***A7054 Bichotte Hermelyn/S631 Sanders:** Authorizing the Empire State Development Corporation to retain one or more independent MWBE consultant firms to conduct an independent review of procurement procedures utilized by state agencies.

A7087 Bichotte Hermelyn: Requiring that certain contracts led by the Office of General Services be reserved for small businesses, including minority-owned business enterprises and women-owned business enterprises.

A7106 Bichotte Hermelyn/S4298 Parker: To require minority and women-owned business enterprise participation goal requirement in order to receive exemption of new multiple dwellings from local taxation.

A7108 Bichotte Hermelyn: An act to amend the state finance law, in relation to a minority and women-owned business enterprise participation goal requirement in order to receive grant or appropriation money.

Signed into Law:

A7222 Bichotte Hermelyn: An act to amend the executive law, in relation to requirements of the annual report from the division of minority and women's business development.

A7235 Bichotte Hermelyn: An act to amend the executive law, in relation to establishing expanded construction mentorship opportunities for small and minority and women-owned business enterprises.

UPCOMING EVENTS

2025 M/WBE & SDVOB Meet & Greet

Hosted by: *The New York State Bridge Authority*

Wednesday, October 22, 2025 | 1pm - 4pm

SUNY Orange Newburgh Campus, One Washington Center, Newburgh, NY

The New York State Bridge Authority invites you to their second Minority, Women and Service-Disabled Veteran Owned Business Meet & Greet event. During this event you will make real-time connections and hear information about their "capital plan and other opportunities."

To register, visit: www.surveymonkey.com/r/CVDSM7W

MORE IN-PERSON EVENTS

■ **Free 1:1 Small Business Advisory Sessions with PACE University Small Business Development Center**

Hosted at Assemblymember Rodneyse Bichotte Hermelyn's District Office, and other locations citywide

**Last Thursday of each month,
*by appointment only.***

At Assemblymember Bichotte Hermelyn's District Office:

1312 Flatbush Ave., Brooklyn, NY

Other service locations are located across Brooklyn and Manhattan: times vary per location. Application and appointment are required.

To find your closest service location, and register, visit: <https://www.pacesbdc.org/counseling-form>

■ **"Diversity & Procurement Summit" (City & State NY)**

Conference bringing state, local, government, prime contractors, MWBEs together; topics on how to win contracts, navigate certifications, network.

November 13, 2025 | 9:00AM - 3:30PM

To register, visit: <https://eventbrowse.com/event/diversity-government-procurement-conference/>



VIRTUAL WEBINARS/EVENTS

■ **Empire State Development (ESD)**

FINANCING YOUR BUSINESS

A virtual workshop focusing on securing funding.

Tuesday, October 14, 2025, at 12:00 p.m.

To register, visit: https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/9617037140961/WN_jdoHIS00QsajlqmdJzi08g#/registration

■ **M/WBE Certification and Recertification Webinars**

NYC Department of Small Business Services (SBS)

Offered Throughout the Fall/Winter

Upcoming Recertification Webinars: 10/15/2025

Upcoming Certification Webinars: 10/22/2025; 11/05/2025; 11/19/2025

<https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/certify-with-the-city-as-an-mwbe-lbe-or-ebe-193109>

■ **New York Small Business Center - Webinar Contracts & Risk Management for Small Business Owners**

Tuesday, November 18, 2025 | 12:00PM - 1:00PM

<https://nysbdc.ecenterdirect.com/events/1019715>

■ **Live Q&A Sessions With the NYC Department of Buildings (DOB)**

NYC DOB

Sessions held bi-weekly for each of the 5 boroughs, view the schedules online: <https://www.nyc.gov/site/buildings/dob/upcoming-events.page>

■ **NYS MWBE Program & Certification Workshop (Brooklyn Public Library)**

A virtual workshop teaching application process, eligibility benefits and more

Wednesday, October 22, 2025 | 6:00pm - 8:00pm

<https://www.bklynlibrary.org/calendar/nys-mwbe-program-central-library-business-20251022-0600pm>

■ **MWBE Training & Event Series - NY State ESD (Business Development Unit)**

Empire State Development (ESD)

Offered Throughout the Fall/Winter

<https://esd.ny.gov/doing-business-ny/mwbe/mwbe-business-development-unit/mwbe-training-and-event-series>

■ **MWBE Contractor Opportunities**

Manhattan Borough President's Office Info Session about contracting with HPD and other city agencies; learning procurement process; networking with agencies.

<https://www.manhattanbp.nyc.gov/events/mwbe-contractor-opportunities/>

MWBE RESOURCES

NYC/LOCAL

NYC M/WBE Certification

<https://www1.nyc.gov/nycbusiness/description/minority-and-womenowned-business-enterprise-certification-program-mwbe>

The City of New York Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprises (M/WBE) Program expands opportunities for minority and women entrepreneurs to access government contracts and grow their businesses. When eligible businesses are certified with the City, they become more visible to prospective buyers, including City agencies and private contractors seeking to purchase goods and services.

NYC Department Citywide Administrative Services (DCAS)

<https://www1.nyc.gov/site/dcas/business/mwbe-program.page>

This is dedicated to increasing Supplier Diversity by supporting the City's commitment to encourage a competitive and diverse New York City business environment.

NYC Department of Small Business Services (SBS)

<https://www1.nyc.gov/site/sbs/businesses/certify-with-the-city.page>

This website features more information on MWBE certification, success stories and other contracting opportunities.

NYC School of Construction Authority (SCA)

<http://www.nycsca.org/MWLBE/Overview>

This website provides information on certification, recertification, appeals, and opportunities to work with the School of Construction Authority.

NYC Department of Design and Construction (DDC)

<https://www1.nyc.gov/site/ddc/mwbe/mwbe.page>

The DDC's Office of Diversity and Industry Relations develops policies and procedures to support M/WBEs and foster fruitful relationships with industry partners.

Nassau County Long Island MWBE Program

<https://www.nassaucountyny.gov/1735/MWBE-PROGRAM>

This website provides information on certification in Nassau County and additional resources for success in the marketplace.

Suffolk County Long Island MWBE Program

<http://www.suffolkcountyny.gov/Departments/CountyExecutive/MinorityAffairs/MinorityandWomenOwnedBusinesses/CertifyBusiness.aspx>

This website provides information on certification in Suffolk County and additional resources for access to capital.

CUNY/CUCF

<http://www2.cuny.edu/about/administration/offices/fpcm/cucf/procurement/>

Procurement Opportunities within the City University of New York (CUNY).

Westchester County

<https://westchestercatalyst.com/programs-incentives/minority-and-women-owned-business-program/>

Westchester's MWBE Program.

Erie County Equal Employment Opportunity

<http://www2.erie.gov/eeo/index.php?q=mbewbe-resources>

Erie County's MWBE Certification process in Erie County.

City of Albany

<https://www.albanyny.gov/332/Minority-Women-Owned-Business-Enterprise>

City of Albany's MWBE Participation Program.

City of Ithaca

<https://www.dfa.cornell.edu/procurement/suppliers/getting-certified/mwbe>

Cornell University's MWBE Program.

City of Rochester

<http://www.cityofrochester.gov/mwbe/>

City of Rochester's MWBE Utilization Plan.

City of Syracuse

<https://www.syr.gov/Departments/DECSI/MWBE-and-SDVOB-Program>

City of Syracuse's MWBE Participation Program.