10.0 LOCAL, SMALL BUSINESS & DONOR BUSINESS PROGRAM

Successful small businesses have a positive impact on the University community and it is important that the University promote a strong diverse business community. Therefore, the University has established a Local, Small and Donor Business Program whose mission is to maximize the opportunities for local business concerns, donor business concerns and small business concerns, including small, disadvantaged businesses, woman-owned businesses, hub zone businesses, historically black colleges/universities and minority institutions, and veteran-owned and service-disabled veteran-owned businesses to participate in the University's business of procuring goods and services at all dollar levels.

The following is a summary of provisions included in these rules that address local, small or disadvantaged businesses.

1. Tie quotes/bids situations as described in Section 5.A.7.e.(ii)(a) (b) (c) and (d).
2. Competitive negotiation situations as described in Section 5.D.1.b.

No provision is made in these rules for set asides or preferences for small or disadvantaged business. However, the University endeavors to provide opportunities for all businesses in compliance with the Federal Acquisition Regulations Sections 19 and 52. Further, the University believes it receives direct benefit from its relationships with a diverse vendor base.