

Inside KUB Procurement

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DIVERSITY**

KUB serves more than 478,000 customers in Knox and parts of seven surrounding counties with safe and reliable electric, fiber, natural gas, wastewater, and water.

Second Tier Spending for Minority and Women Owned Businesses

Through Second Tier Spending, KUB's prime vendors are encouraged to do business with Minority and Women Owned Businesses (MBEs and WBEs) when seeking sub-vendors to fulfill KUB service and supply agreements. KUB tracks MBE and WBE sub-vendors to diversify its vendor pool.

Below are the MBE/WBEs that have done business with KUB as a sub-vendor through the Second Tier Spending:

- MPB Facilities
- Haggard Plumbing
- Rick Cox Construction
- Southern Glass
- T. E. Roberts Painters
- KaTom Restaurant Supply
- National Tire and Auto

Spending between the seven companies totaled \$478,476.

Connect with KUB

Stay connected with us and be aware of the latest bid opportunities.

- Visit www.kub.org/procurement to view all open bids and requests for proposals
- Follow us on Twitter @KUBbiz
- Register at bidsync.com to prepare for the bidding process
- Attend upcoming outreach and networking events, which will be shared online via Twitter
- Small business, Women Business Enterprise, or Minority Business Enterprise? Learn about KUB's Supplier Diversity Program:



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Wanted: Utility Contractors for Prequalification

To ensure KUB has an adequate pool of qualified utility construction contractors, KUB's Procurement Department has a Contractor Prequalification Program that includes all construction contractors (electric, fiber, gas, water, wastewater, vegetation management, and paving).

Below is an outline of KUB's Contractor Prequalification Program Process.

- Contractor can download Section A-C forms from this link: www.kub.org/about/procurement/contractor-prequalification
- Completed Section A-C forms should be emailed to kubprequal@kub.org for review
- Upon KUB approval of Section A-C, the applicant will be sent Section D, which requires the contractor to submit three references and detail any previous construction projects with KUB within the last three years
- If Sections A-D are approved by KUB, applicants are to submit remaining requirements to Avetta, which KUB uses to prequalify contractors
- A scorecard rating of 60 or greater and a classification of "Compliant" or "Conditional" in Avetta is required to be prequalified

Questions regarding prequalification can be emailed to kubprequal@kub.org.

Upcoming Events

Spring Forward To Cultivate Construction Opportunities

General contractors and subcontractors are invited to a networking event with local government agencies

Thursday April 27, 2023; 7:30-10 a.m.

John O'Connor Center, 611 Winona St., Knoxville, TN 37917

Thank you to all who attended the DBE Chillout and IT Connections Event!



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