



Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small

For Small Businesses

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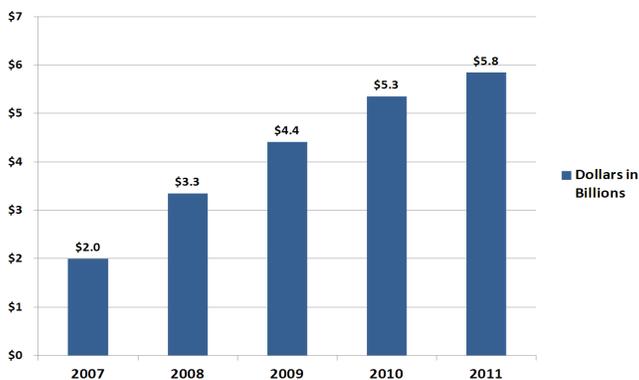
What is Service-Disabled Veteran-owned Small Business (SDVOSB) Procurement Program?

- The Veterans Benefit Act of 2003 (15 U.S.C. 657f) created the procurement program for small business concerns owned and controlled by service-disabled veterans (commonly referred to as the "Service-Disabled Veteran-owned Small Business (SDVOSB) Procurement Program").
- The purpose of the Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Program is to provide Federal contracting assistance to service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns.

Is there a formal certification process required from the SBA to participate in the SDVOSB procurement program?

No. The Veterans Benefits Act of 2003 that established restricted contracting in Federal procurement for Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Concerns (SDVO SBC) did not require a formal process to certify concerns as SDVO SBC. A SDVO SBC self-represents its status for all Federal contracts. In order to place an offer on a Federal contract, the SBC must be registered in the Government's Central Contractor Registration (CCR). Once the SBC is registered in CCR, and an offer is submitted on a Federal Contract, the SDVO SBC will need to fill out an "On-Line Representations and Certifications Application." To get more information about those data bases and to register on-line, go to the Government's Business Partner Network (BPN) at <http://www.bpn.gov/>.

DoD Prime Contract Awards to SDVOSBs



Who is a service-disabled veteran?

A service-disabled veteran is a person who served in the active military, naval, or air service, and whose disability was incurred or aggravated in line of duty. Eligible veterans should maintain in their records copies of their DD Form 214 and their disability rating letter issued by the VA that confirm their SDV status.

References

Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632(q) and 657f)
SDVOSBC Program Regulations (13 C.F.R. 125)
Executive Order 13360
Public Law 105-135 and Public Law 108-183

Is my small business eligible for participation in the SDVOSB Program?

- Small business concern owned and controlled by eligible veterans. The term "small business concern owned and controlled by eligible veterans, means small business concern as defined in section 3 of the Small Business Act.
- The concern must be a small business pursuant to the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) code assigned by the Contracting Officer to the procurement;
- At least 51% owned by one or more Service-Disabled Veterans or, in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51% of the stock of which is owned by one or more Service-Disabled Veterans ; and
- Management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more Service-Disabled Veterans or, in the case of a veteran with a permanent and severe disability, the spouse or permanent caregiver of such a veteran.

Set Aside Requirements and Exemptions

A Contracting Officer (CO) may set-aside requirements if:

1. The requirement is not exempted from SDVO contracting,
2. There is a reasonable expectation that at least two responsible SDVO SBC will submit offers; and
3. The award can be made at a fair market price.

A contracting activity may not make a requirement available for a SDVO set-aside if:

1. The requirement can be fulfilled through the award of Federal Prison Industries, Inc. or Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act participating non-profit agencies for the blind and severely disabled.
2. The requirement is currently being performed by an 8(a) participant or SBA has accepted that requirement for performance under the authority of the Section 8(a) Program.

Sole Source Contracts

A CO may award a sole source contract if:

1. If the requirement is not exempted from SDVO contracting.
2. The CO does not have a reasonable expectation that at least two responsible SDVO SBCs will submit offers.
3. The anticipated award price of the contract, including options, will not exceed:
 - \$6.0M for manufacturing requirements
 - \$3.5M for all other requirements
4. The SDVO SBC has been determined to be a responsible contractor.
5. Award can be made at a fair market price.

Resources

DoD Office of Small Business Programs:
<http://www.acq.osd.mil/osbp/index.html> Phone #: (571) 372-6191

SBA: <http://www.sba.gov/content/service-disabled-veteran-owned-small-business-concerns-sdvosbc>