

Memorandum



Date: June 28, 2013

To: Honorable Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From: Carlos A. Gimenez 
Mayor

Subject: County Awards to Black-Owned and Women-Owned Firms

This memorandum is provided in response to a request by Commissioner Dennis C. Moss at the April 2, 2013 Board of County Commissioners (Board) meeting for a report on the last date a contract was awarded to a Black-owned and a Women-owned firm.

Based on the Department of Regulatory and Economic Resources (RER) Division of Small Business Development (SBD) database, the last contracts awarded to the requested groups as of June 21, 2013 are as follows:

| TYPE OF CONTRACT | BLACK OWNED FIRM | WOMEN OWNED FIRM |
|-----------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Architectural & Engineering | 06/19/2013 | 06/20/2013 |
| Construction | 06/18/2013 | 06/14/2013 |
| Goods and Services | 06/01/2013 | 06/04/2013 |

Moreover, a review of contracts awarded by the County for the period of October 1, 2012 through June 21, 2013 yielded the following results:

129 Contracts have been awarded to Black and Women Owned firms for a total value of \$34,732,212 for the period.

- o 54 of the 129 awards were awarded to Black-Owned firms for a total value of \$26,988,971
- o 6 of the 129 awards were awarded to Black Women-Owned firms for a total value of \$973,909
- o 69 of the 129 awards were awarded to other Women-Owned firms for a total value of \$6,769,332

It is important to note that although County databases collect demographic information for firms contracting with Miami-Dade County, the submittal of demographic information is voluntary; as such, there may be contracts awarded to the aforementioned groups that are not identified because demographic information has not been reported by the firms.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this information, or you may contact Veronica Clark, RER/SBD, at 305-375-4770.

c: Robert A. Cuevas, Jr., County Attorney
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