

**LAFAYETTE AIRPORT COMMISSION  
DBE PROGRAM**

**POLICY STATEMENT**

**Section 26.1,26. 23**

Objectives/Policy Statement

The Lafayette Airport Commission (LAC) has established a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program in accordance with regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 49 CFR Part 26. The LAC has received Federal financial assistance from the Department of Transportation, and as a condition of receiving this assistance, the LAC has signed an assurance that it will comply with 49 CFR Part 26.

It is the policy of the LAC to ensure that DBEs are defined in Part 26, have an equal opportunity to receive and participate in DOT-assisted contracts. It is our policy:

1. To ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOT- assisted contracts;
2. To create a level playing field on which DBEs can compete fairly for DOT-assisted contracts;
3. To ensure that the DBE Program is narrowly tailored in accordance with applicable law;
4. To ensure that only firms that fully meet 49 CFR Part 26 eligibility standards are permitted to participate as DBEs;
5. To help remove barriers to the participation of DBEs in DOT assisted contracts;
6. To promote the use of DBEs in all types of federally-assisted contracts and procurement activities;
7. To assist the development of firms that can compete successfully in the market place outside the DBE Program; and
8. To provide appropriate flexibility to recipients of Federal financial assistance in establishing and providing opportunities for DBEs.

Ms. Rene Cotton has been delegated as the DBE Liaison Officer. In that capacity, Ms. Cotton is responsible for implementing all aspects of the DBE program. Implementation of the DBE program is accorded the same priority as compliance with all other legal obligations incurred by the LAC in its financial assistance agreements with the Department of Transportation.

The LAC has disseminated this policy statement to the appointed Lafayette Airport Commissioners and all of the components of our organization. We have distributed this statement to DBE and non-DBE business communities that perform work for us on DOT-assisted contracts. The DBE program manual is available to the minority, female, non-minority, and business communities on the agency website or in bound form. The manual is also made available to all airport sponsors, political jurisdictions and any other interested parties.

  
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Steven L. Picou, Executive Director

5-4-17  
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# LAFAYETTE AIRPORT COMMISSION

## POLICY STATEMENT

### Section 23.1, 23.23 Objectives/Policy Statement


The Lafayette Airport Commission (LAC) has established an Airport Concession Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (ACDBE) program in accordance with regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 49 CFR Part 23. The LAC is a primary airport and has received federal funds authorized for airport development after January 1988 (authorized under Title 49 of the United States Code). The LAC has signed airport grant assurances that it will comply with 49 CFR Part 23.

It is the policy of the LAC to ensure that ACDBEs as defined in Part 23, have an equal opportunity to receive and participate in concession opportunities. It is also our policy:

1. To ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of opportunities for concessions by airports receiving DOT financial assistance;
2. To create a level playing field on which ACDBEs can compete fairly for opportunities for concessions;
3. To ensure that our ACDBE program is narrowly tailored in accordance with applicable law;
4. To ensure that only firms that fully meet this part's eligibility standards are permitted to participate as ACDBEs at our airport(s);
5. To help remove barriers to the participation of ACDBEs in opportunities for concessions at our airport(s); and
6. To provide appropriate flexibility to our airports in establishing and providing opportunities for ACDBEs.

Ms. Rene Cotton has been designated as the ACDBE Liaison Officer (ACDBELO). In that capacity, Ms. Cotton is responsible for implementing all aspects of the ACDBE program. Implementation of the ACDBE program is accorded the same priority as compliance with all other legal obligations incurred by the LAC in its financial assistance agreements with the Department of Transportation.

The LAC has disseminated this policy statement to the appointed Lafayette Airport Commissioners and all of the components of our organization. We have distributed this statement to ACDBE and non-ACDBE concessionaire communities in our area. The ACDBE program manual is available to the minority, female, non-minority and business communities on the agency website or in bound form. The manual is also made available to all airport sponsors, political jurisdictions and any other interested parties.



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