

University of South Alabama Policy on Minority Business Considerations

The University of South Alabama promotes the procurement of goods and services from small, small-disadvantaged, woman-owned businesses, minority-owned businesses and vendors located in labor surplus areas whenever possible. It is the responsibility of both the principal investigator and OGA to direct purchases toward these types of businesses.

Subcontracting plans for small and small-disadvantaged business, as required for proposals/awards, should be developed jointly between the principal investigator, and OGA. After award of the grant or contract that includes either a subcontracting plan or EPA Fair Share Goal, the purchasing department will screen requisitions for possible placement with a small or small-disadvantaged business, administer the subcontracting plan, and submit reports, as required, to the sponsoring agency or to the U.S. Small Business Administration. Heads of projects with subcontracting plans or EPA Fair Share Goals are responsible for effectively implementing small and small-disadvantaged utilization programs. This includes achieving program goals and taking all reasonable action to increase small and small-disadvantaged participation in their project's purchases.