

National Science Foundation

FY2019 Small Business Procurement Scorecard

B
96.63%

FPDS-NG Prime Contracting Data as of Feb. 20, 2020
eSRS Subcontracting Data as of Mar. 20, 2020

Prime Contracting Achievement:			52.03%
	2018 Achievement	2019 Goal	2019 Achievement ^{1, 2}
Small Business	11.25%	13.50%	15.55% (\$85.0 M)
Women Owned Small Business	2.77%	5.00%	3.72% (\$20.3 M)
Small Disadvantaged Business	6.72%	5.00%	7.09% (\$38.8 M)
Service Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business	2.19%	3.00%	2.19% (\$12.0 M)
HUBZone	1.75%	3.00%	1.81% (\$9.9 M)

1) Capped at 200%; 2) Achievement include double credit for LASA and Puerto Rico awards.

Subcontracting Achievement:			16.15%
	2018 Achievement	2019 Goal	2019 Achievement ¹
Small Business	37.60%	38.84%	24.70%
Women Owned Small Business	17.90%	5.00%	4.30%
Small Disadvantaged Business	7.00%	5.00%	12.90%
Service Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business	4.70%	3.00%	3.80%
HUBZone	0.30%	3.00%	0.40%

1) Capped at 200%;

15(k) OSDBU Compliance Requirements		19.05%
Requirements Scores: 0.0=No; 0.5 = Partial Credit; 1.0 = Yes		Peer Review Score
15(k)0 Office and Director Experience		1.00
15(k)1 Director Title		1.00
15(k)2 Compensation and Seniority		1.00
15(k)3 Reporting (Head of Agency or Deputy Head)		1.00
15(k)4 Implementation and Execution of Business Development		1.00
15(k)5 Identify and Address Bundling of Contracts		1.00
15(k)6 Provide Assistance on Payments		1.00
15(k)7 Supervisory Authority		1.00
15(k)8 Assign Small Business Technical Advisors		1.00
15(k)9 OSDBU Cooperation and Consultation		1.00
15(k)10 Recommendations to Contracting Officers		1.00
15(k)11 Activity Conversion		1.00
15(k)12 Advise CAO and SPE		1.00
15(k)13(Optional) SBC and Contracting Specialist Training		1.00
15(k)14 Receive Unsolicited Proposals		1.00
15(k)15 Exclusive Duties and Title		0.00
15(k)16 Congressional Reporting		1.00
15(k)17 Respond to Undue Restriction Notifications		1.00
15(k)18 Purchase Card Summary Data Review		1.00
15(k)19 Vendor Compliance Educational Training		1.00
15(k)20 Subcontracting Plan Review		1.00
Total:		20.00

Number of Small Business Prime Contractors Comparison		9.40%
Increase in number of SB primes by 10% or more = 1.3		
Increase in number of SB primes by 5% or more but less than or equal to 10% = 1.2		
Increase in number of SB primes between 0% and less than or equal to 5% = 1.1		
No change in the number of SB primes (Change = 0%) 0% increase; 0% decrease (no change) = 1.0		
Decrease in number of SB primes by more than 0% but less than or equal to -5% = 0.9		
Decrease in number of SB primes by -5% or more but less than or equal to -10% = 0.8		
Decrease in number of SB primes by -10% or more = 0.7		

	2018 Count	2019 Count	2019 Performance
Small Business	154	132	0.70
Women Owned Small Business	36	40	1.30
Small Disadvantaged Business	81	78	0.90
Service Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business	22	23	1.10
HUBZone	21	17	0.70
Score:			4.70

Prime and Subcontracting Grading Scale:

- A+ $\leq 150\%$ but $\geq 120\%$
- A $< 120\%$ but $\geq 100\%$
- B $< 100\%$ but $\geq 90\%$
- C $< 90\%$ but $\geq 80\%$
- D $< 80\%$ but $\geq 70\%$
- F $< 70\%$

Comments:

Graded Agency:

The National Science Foundation (NSF) has taken positive strides and has improved its scorecard grade to receive a B for FY2019. After refining its small business achievement strategy and procedures, NSF was on a path to once again receive an A or above on the scorecard. However, with the inclusion of overseas contracts in the small business eligible dollars, NSF scorecard grade fell to a C for FY2018. NSF attributes this to the fact that two of NSF's largest contracts, Arctic and Antarctic Support, are performed overseas by a large business. These contracts account for over 50% of NSF's annual obligations. Due to the size, complexity, and place of performance, there are no small businesses that can perform this work. NSF is recovering from the overseas inclusion and continues to strive to overcome its deficiencies in achieving its socio-economic goals. For FY2019, NSF exceeded both its total small business prime contracting goal and SDB goal. Working to not only achieve its goals, but to exceed them is a testament of NSF's renewed commitment to Small Business Programs and the small business community. NSF is carrying this commitment forward in FY2020 and will continue to search for new ways to expand opportunities for small businesses to assist NSF's mission needs.