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The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) is dedicated to utilizing Texas-certified Historically Underutilized Business (HUBs) in its procurement process by providing contracting opportunities directly and indirectly with HUBs. DPS's good faith efforts ensure continued HUB participation, which included the following in accordance with 34 Texas Administrative Code Rule §20.284:

- Participated in three Economic Opportunity Forums and HUB outreach events as a co-sponsor and exhibitor.
- Staff coordinated 101 vendor market research demonstrations and 56 vendor informational interactions to provide guidance on doing business with DPS via email, phone conference, or one-on-one meetings.
- Provided training to the agency's procurement and contract staff on HUB requirements and established roles and responsibilities for facilitating HUB compliance.
- Reviewed competitive solicitations identifying HUB subcontracting opportunities, participated in pre-proposal conferences, and reviewed the HUB Subcontracting Plans (HSP) to ensure the HSPs met the "Good Faith Effort" requirements.
- Participated in monthly meetings with DPS divisions to discuss HUB performance and provide education on the HUB program.
- Assisted agency division and procurement personnel with identifying and locating HUBs for procurement opportunities.
- Participated in the Doing Business Texas Style Spot Bid – 2023 and HUB Expo co-hosted by the DFW Supplier Development Council (DFWMSDC) and Senator Royce West.
- Attended meetings with the State Agency Coordinating Committee (SACC) as Purchasing Subcommittee members in an effort to keep up to date with HUB matters.
- DPS is active in the statewide HUB Coordinators Discussion Workgroup and holds an executive position as the Chair.

DPS is strongly committed to the goals identified and recognized by the State of Texas HUB Program and will continue to work to increase HUB's participation in contracting and subcontracting opportunities. Should you have any questions regarding the agency's program, please contact Michael Parks at (512) 424-2205 or michael.parks@dps.texas.gov

Sincerely,

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