DOING BUSINESS WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION JANUARY 25TH, 2023































PRESENTATION SUMMARY

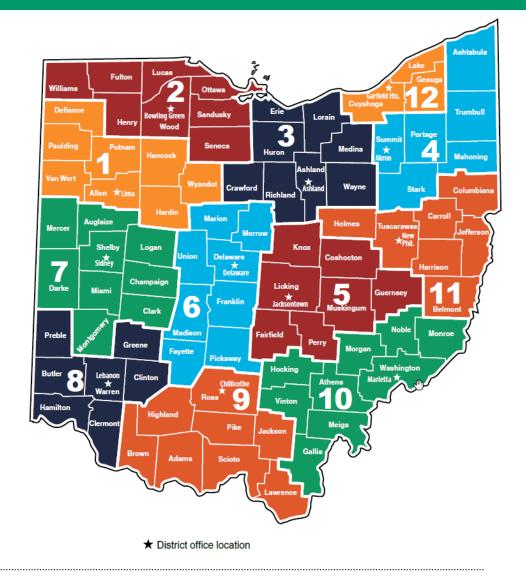
- Introduction & Overview of ODOT Purchasing
- Requirements to doing business with the State
- How can businesses approach ODOT (and other state agencies) for contracting opportunities?
- What does ODOT buy? How and when do they buy?





ODOT PURCHASING

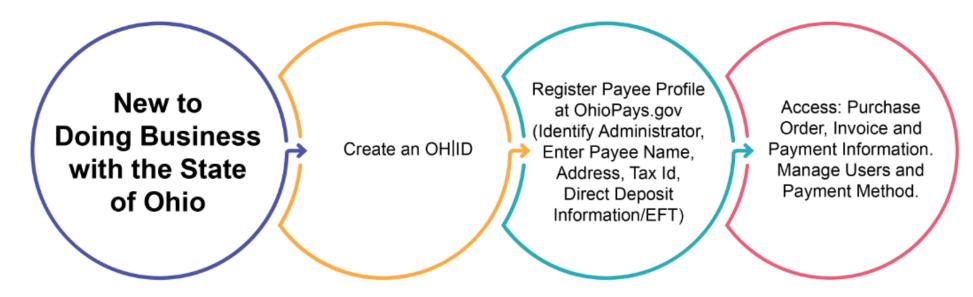
- Dan DeNiro, Manager,
 Office of Accounting
 - Purchasing team focus on operating goods & services
 - o <u>DOT.CENPurchasingSupport@dot.ohio.gov</u>
- Central Office & 12 districts
 - Statewide opportunities
 - District purchases and RFQs





REQUIREMENTS

- Must be registered as a State Supplier
 - A Bidder is a business responding to an opportunity to do business with the State but is not a fully-registered State Supplier. They are still able to bid on solicitations
- OhioPays System where businesses register as a "Payee", monitor payments, and update the profile
 - An entity that provides goods or services to a State of Ohio agency





ODOT SOLICITATIONS

Request For Quote - Ion Wave

Specific to ODOT, RFQs are posted by Central Office or districts

Supplier Registration

- Apply more commodity codes to be notified of more RFQs
- Manage company profile and user profiles

Best Practices

- Ask questions regarding the RFQ
- Read Terms and Conditions carefully, acknowledgement is required
- Provide all required attachments in your response
 - Affirmation & Disclosure, Preference Certification statement
 - Preference Program provides preference to certified companies that compete to contract with the state to supply the goods or services



ODOT SOLICITATIONS - PREFERENCE PROGRAMS

OAC 123:5-1-06 - Bidders may claim preferences in a procurement solicitation response for any or all of the following:

- Buy America
 - Domestic Source End Product unmanufactured end product mined or produced in the US, or manufactured in the US, if the cost of its components mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States, exceeds 50%
- Buy Ohio
 - o Goods/services being offered are raised, grown, produced, mined, or manufactured in Ohio
 - o Bidder has a significant economic presence in Ohio
 - o Bidder is from, or goods are mined from a qualifying boarder state
- Veteran-friendly business enterprise (VBE)
 - Bidder has an active veteran-friendly business enterprise certification
 - o <u>Eligibility & Certification Process</u>
- Preferences are calculated at a rate of 5% for the first preference, and 2% each for the second and third preferences



ODOT SOLICITATIONS

ORC 5513 grants ODOT additional contracting and purchasing authority than most other state agencies

- Office of Contracts <u>Procurement</u>
 <u>Opportunities</u>
 - Upcoming Invitations To Bid (ITB)
 - Upcoming Requests for Proposals/Information (RFP & RFI)
 - Current ODOT Contracts, Invitations & Awards



STATEWIDE SOLICITATIONS

OhioBuys

Connecting Buyers and Suppliers

 Primary platform to conduct procurement activities with the State of Ohio



Nearly all state cabinet agencies have been onboarded, and there are 30+ Agencies looking to do business



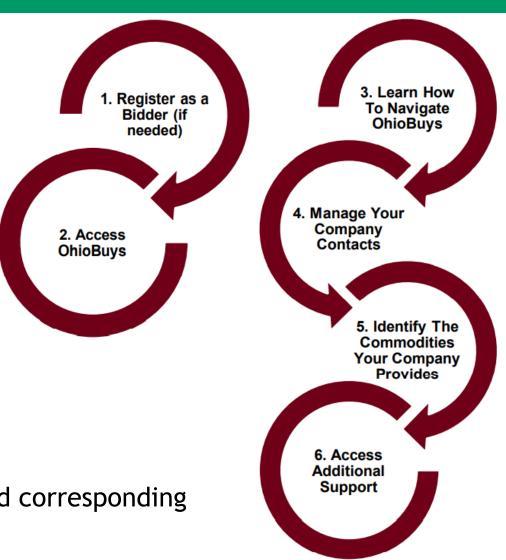
OHIOBUYS - CONTINUED

Bidders and Suppliers can provide...

- Accurate contact information
- Responses to quick quotes and public opportunities
- Review and acknowledge purchase orders
- Catalogs can be directly posted & managed

Supplier Resources

- OhioBuys Overview
- Supplier Fact Sheet & Quick Start Guide
- o Supplier Webinar Page
- Recorded <u>OhioBuys Supplier Training Webinar</u> and corresponding slide deck





MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE

MBE Program is designed to assist minority businesses in obtaining state government contracts that do not involve federal funds

- Applies to procurements of goods and services, professional services, and information technology services.
- Certification for the program is managed through the Ohio Department of Development
- ODOT's Goal 20% set-aside and 5% participation for 100% state-funded purchases of goods and services (e.g., snow plows, aggregate, quicksetting concrete, traffic cones, transcription services)
 - ODOT's set-aside goal exceeds the 15% required by law



QUESTIONS?

