



SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

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November 9, 2023

Members of the BEP Council:

Southern Illinois University aims to continuously increase the use of CEI Business Enterprise Program-certified service firms owned by minorities, females, and persons with disabilities to the best of our ability.

Over the past few years, we have developed strong relationships with the diverse vendor community and have worked with BEP-certified vendors as both prime- and sub-contractors across a multitude of categories. As evidenced in the submitted Service Category Report, we did not issue any contracts to firms operating in the investment, accounting, or insurance service categories in the past year and we do not plan on having a need for these services in the current year. Should an unforeseen need in these categories arise, we will make every effort to seek out vendors identified in the CEI BEP database.

We utilized a total of 5 vendors for IT consulting services, 2 of which were BEP-certified vendors. All other IT contracts were issued for fees and subscriptions and to software vendors to install and service specialized programs on campus.

We infrequently utilize external Legal and Architectural/Engineering services. Last year, we issued 34 total contracts in the Legal Services category, 1 of which was a diverse firm. Three of the 15 contracts in the Architectural and Engineering Service categories were issued to BEP-certified firms.

To increase our usage in the service categories we utilize, we will continue to enforce guidelines and requirements for purchases made through the Purchasing department to ensure the inclusion of diverse vendors. For purchases from \$20,000 up to the State Legal Bid Limit, departments must obtain three informal quotes, at least one of which must be from a diverse firm. For formal bids, we require vendors to fill out the BEP Utilization Plan to ensure every effort is made to include diverse vendors if they are available. We require a 30% aspirational subcontractor/supplier goal on formal bids. As a university, buying decisions under the legal bid limit are handled internally by each department. To avoid any disconnect between departments making buying decisions and our overall BEP-goals, we meet with departments on a regular basis to keep fiscal officers up to date on current BEP requirements and assist with establishing and managing vendor relationships with BEP firms.

We aim to create sustainable, mutually beneficial relationships with diverse suppliers in order to ensure our supplier base reflects the diversity of the wider campus communities.

Sincerely,

Dr. Duane Stucky
Senior Vice President for Financial and Administrative Affairs
Southern Illinois University

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FISCAL YEAR 2023



STATE OF ILLINOIS COMMISSION ON EQUITY AND INCLUSION
BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM FOR BUSINESSES
OWNED BY MINORITIES, WOMEN, AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

ANNUAL EXPENDITURE REPORT

STATE INSTITUTION NAME & ID # Southern Illinois University - 664

	BEP VENDOR EXPENDITURES	TOTAL CONTRACTS
AFRICAN AMERICAN MALES	\$ 580,075.48	6
AFRICAN AMERICAN FEMALES	\$ 826,523.62	7
HISPANIC AMERICAN MALES	\$ 532,576.25	5
HISPANIC AMERICAN FEMALES	\$ -	0
ASIAN AMERICAN MALES	\$ 1,224,761.35	8
ASIAN AMERICAN FEMALES	\$ 18,948.75	2
NATIVE AMER/AK NATIVE MALES	\$ -	0
NATIVE AMER/AK NATIVE FEMALES	\$ -	0
CAUCASIAN FEMALES	\$ 6,326,025.10	44
PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES:		
(ETHNICITY & GENDER)	\$ 14,211.00	1
BEP TOTALS:	\$ 9,523,121.55	73
SHELTERED WORKSHOPS	\$ 376,156.04	7
TOTALS:	\$ 9,899,277.59	80

Print name and position title:

Vice President for Financial + Admin Affairs + Board Treasurer

Sign and date:

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