## Providing Quality Water and Service to Our Community

The Clayton County Water Authority provides water, sewer and storm water services to more than a quarter of a million people throughout Clayton County and six cities through approximately 78,000 customer accounts.

The Authority has five raw water reservoirs and can produce up to 42 million gallons per day of potable water and treat up to 38.4 million gallons of wastewater every day. Plus, the Authority maintains approximately 1,500 miles of water distribution pipes, 1,400 miles of sewer conveyance pipes and storm water infrastructure throughout the county and its cities.



### **Centralized Vendor Registration**

Vendors seeking to do business with the CCWA can register in our centralized vendor registration web application.

### **Vendor Registry**

To register today, go to the following web link: www.ccwa.us.

You can view bid opportunities, download bid opportunities and receive e-mail notifications.



### **Our Purpose**

The purpose of the SLBE Program ("Program") is to assist small businesses that are located in Clayton County and within the ten (10) MSA counties through the establishment of a Subcontracting, appropriate preference or assistance involving the award of Construction, Architecture and Engineering, Goods and Services and Professional Services contracts.

#### **Our Commitment**

To provide an additional race and gender neutral tool for CCWA to use in its efforts to ensure that all segments of its local business community have a reasonable and significant opportunity to participate in our contracting. To also foster effective broad-based competition from all segments of the vendor community, including, but not limited to, minority business enterprises, women-owned business enterprises, and small business enterprises. And to provide additional avenues for the development of new capacity and new sources of competition for CCWA contracts from the growing pool of small and locally-based businesses

### For More Information Contact:

### Clayton County Water Authority

Contracts, Compliance and Risk Management

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SMALL LOCAL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM

### **Top Five Benefits of Becoming a Certified CCWA SLBE**

- 1. Workshop Series: Our SLBE Program Workshop Series provides valuable information and tools that will help grow and cultivate small businesses. The information is relevant, and specifically addresses many challenges faced by small businesses.
- 2. Business Development: By becoming a certified SLBE, your business is featured on a list visited by many prime contractors/larger firms looking for qualified, certified small businesses to add value to their teams on contractual pursuits. Our SLBE database is also shared with other government agencies seeking SLBE participation, to further promote your business.
- 3. Invitations to our two signature events The Annual Business Mixer & Annual Business Expo: Our program hosts an Annual Business Mixer that provides a casual setting where small businesses can network with prime contractors, existing CCWA vendors, and CCWA Management to connect and better position themselves for future business opportunities. Though we're doing business, this reception is also fun and interactive.

The Annual Business Expo celebrates small local businesses and features them as exhibitors for maximum exposure, with presentations by local leaders and experts, and innovative professional development workshops.

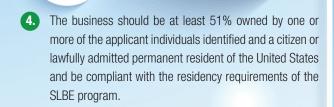
- 4. Connect: We provide ongoing opportunities for small local businesses to get to know CCWA leadership and learn more about the goods and services CCWA purchases.
- 5. Personal Support: Our SLBE Certification staff is always available to assist and support your business in any way we can, such as keeping you abreast of opportunities with CCWA, opportunities with surrounding municipalities, directing you to valuable business resources, and assisting you step-by-step with the certification process.

### **Supporting Small and Local Businesses**

In an effort to promote the participation of small and local firms in the procurements of Architecture and Engineering, Construction, Goods and Services and Professional Services, CCWA established a Small Local Business Enterprise (SLBE) Program. This program emphasizes socioeconomic growth by offering benefits to small firms locally based inside Clayton County and surroundings within the ten (10) counties specifically Cherokee, Cobb, DeKalb, Douglas, Fayette, Fulton, Gwinnett, Henry, Rockdale and Spalding.

### **Eligibility for the SLBE Program**

- 1. Certifying agent serves as a representative of the businesses, not as a broker, and the business is an independently owned and operated for-profit business entity.
- 2. Average annual gross receipts for the previous three years must not exceed (1) Construction Firms- \$18,250,000 (2) Professional Services Firms- \$5,500,000, Architectural Firms-\$3,750,000, Engineering Firms- \$7,500,000 and Goods & Services less than 250 employees.
- 3. Business should be located and operating in Clayton County (For locally based inside Clayton Designation) or Cherokee, Cobb, DeKalb, Douglas, Fayette, Fulton, Gwinnett, Henry, Rockdale and Spalding for at least one year prior to submitting application for certification.



Applicants determined eligible to participate in the SLBE Program shall submit a completed application every five years to the CCWA Contracts, Compliance and Risk Management section for review and continued certification. Provisional applicants will be eligible to certify for two 2-year periods which are not required to run consecutively.

To find out more about the Program, contact our office Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m at 770-960-5880.

To obtain a SLBE application, visit our website at www.ccwa.us or email us at ccwa slbe program@ccwa.us

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