A Message from the Director

In honor of Black History Month, the NC Office for Historically Underutilized Businesses is proud to carry forth the legacy of advocacy and fostering the growth and success of historically underutilized businesses as set forth by trailblazers like the late Andrea Harris. We pause to celebrate the contributions you make, and join Governor Cooper in acknowledging the work left to be done!

Vendor Spotlight: Karma Contracting

In 2001 during fall football camp at Appalachian State, I had a career ending knee injury. During the four months on crutches, I decided to become an advocate for underprivileged youth and individuals struggling to maintain in society. The goal was to help individuals focus on business careers instead of entertainment or sports. This marked the beginning of my entrepreneurial journey. In 2018 Karma Contracting was the first black business to win minority business of the year for the city of High Point and HUB business of the year for the state of North Carolina.

Celebrating Black History Month

Governor Roy Cooper acknowledged and honored the contributions of black North Carolinians in the STEM fields, highlighting the critical work of black mathematicians, scientists, doctors and engineers, and how their hard work benefits everyone.

He also paid tribute to the important role of North Carolina’s 12 Historically Black Colleges and Universities in shaping future leaders and cultivating our talented, diverse workforce.

View Governor Cooper’s Speech Honoring Black History

Upcoming Events

View the Calendar

HUB Resources

Bid Opportunities
Submit a Bid Opportunity
Video Trainings
HUB Vendor Search
Vendor Spotlight: (cont’d)

Karim Razzak (cont’d) I’m honored to have the opportunity to share during Black History month what HUB certification means for my business. HUB certification may be obtained by any minority business. Once certified, the company's information is entered into a statewide data base that's accessed by general contractors on all state or public projects. Projects must have a certain amount of minority participation. Having my HUB certification opens up business opportunities that wouldn't exist for small underutilized businesses. The HUB office is a vital component to the diversity and inclusion of businesses in the state of North Carolina.

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Grace Federal Solutions, LLC (Grace)

Throughout the growth of Grace Federal Solutions, LLC (Grace), there have been mentors who helped and encouraged me along the way. Director Tammie Hall and her wonderful team at NC HUB are among those mentors. She and her team consistently aid and provide words of encouragement that allow me to focus on my vision of Grace as a company that improves the quality of life for those in North Carolina and beyond. With HUB’s support, Grace has become a recognizable and respected name in the health care, clinical research and information technology arenas, known for quality, professionalism, and positive results. Since its inception, HUB has been at the forefront in ensuring historically underutilized businesses are provided a fair playing field on which to highlight their services. Growing up in a small town in Eastern NC during the 1960's, it was rare that I saw business owners who looked like me represented in the businesses my family patronized. While my parents encouraged their children to follow their dreams, the lack of representation made them somewhat difficult to visualize. As I reflect during this Black History Month, I am encouraged that organizations like HUB exist. I hope my certification and visibility within HUB helps future generations visualize their dreams and know that they are possible.

Iris Phillips, Founder and President

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Calling all HUB Vendors: Remember to keep your IPS profile updated! Please ensure your contact information and email address is correct—this is how HUB is able to contact you about events and how you learn about bid opportunities. Update your IPS profile here.
The Hubster
North Carolina Office for Historically Underutilized Businesses

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The Office for Historically Underutilized Businesses would like to welcome our certified vendors from January 2022!

HighImpact
KEEP TRUCKIN’ LLC
Create Auto Body Shop
Jordan's Specialties Inc.
Elle Rae Photography, LLC
The Klean Team
Top knot salon Llc
Time Management Global llc
Baby Gooroo
T. A. Rupert Waterproofing, Inc
A & D Enterprises, Inc
DOGON Market, INC
Stay With Family Home Care LLC
Visions of Hope Therapeutic Services PLL
Root Cause Collective
Paige Moore
Robert L Young, DDS. P.L.L.C.
Vaccinated Enthusiast
Howard Brothers Electric of Charlotte LLC
Advanced Traffic Worx LLC
Carolina Online Institute
Semaphore Software llc
Garmon & Company, Inc
MENDEZ WELDING LLC
DESCO INC
VIDEO is Vital, LLC
Grace Federal Solutions, LLC
Miles Enterprise Solutions
ShareBiz Group, LLC
Smallcakes Hickory Corporation
Law Office of Ticora E. Davis, PLLC
SneakyPutter, LLC
US Supply LLC
Family for Families
Pure Grind Fitness
DTW ARCHITECTS & PLANNERS LTD
Vick Companies, LLC
Symmetry Behavioral Health Systems LLC
Jr Auto Style
Milden Pressure Washing
T & M DECKING INC
Calvin L. Sexton Transportation LLC
Mother Murphy’s Laboratories, Inc
Blackowned CLT Inc
C.W. Transport Group, LLC
Harmony Financial Resource Center, LLC
KEA Contracting, Inc.
ASG Construction Services, LLC
AOA Signs Inc
DroneScape, PLLC
The Edmunds Group
Forward Transport Solutions LLC
King’s Consultant LLC
K-mans Logistics LLC
Tameran Baxter Inc
Lions Turf Landscaping & sons
SNK Engineering PLLC
Pineland Contracting LLC
MyETC
Main-One (M-1) Security, Inc
BHSC
Apex Logistics & Transports LLC
Kleen Bill LLC
ConnectDotsSolution LLC
Actus Policy Research, LLC
Cisco Site Service, LLC
Koded Wines & Spirits, LLC
af2d trucking inc
Black Pearl Global Investments
EOS Remediation, LLC
Wrightsville Beach Plumbing
ESRA Facility Management & Con
Quantum Insulation Inc
DBS Consulting
AlphaGraphics Cary - N. Raleigh
Made You Look Salon
Racial Equity Institute, LLC
Vick Trucking, LLC
Comenzar Inc dba ATG
Stafford Act and Disaster Recovery Service

CES MAIL COMMUNICATIONS, INC
Costoonz LLC
The Cavali Group LLC
Rooms, Vroom and Zoom, LLC
Olus LLC
Vertical Affirmations Construction, LLC
MJK TRANSPORTATION LLC
P.Sharelle & Co. Hair Studio
Speech Tactics, PC
Full Time Fitness
RusMed Consultants
Gupton Trucking LLC
Wilburn Medical USA
McCall Commercialized Consulting
Open Door Home Solutions LLC
Frankel Staffing Partners
J.E.T. Construction Llc
Touch of Class LLC
Leading Legacies Consulting Services LLC
CORPORATE DISTRIBUTION SERVICE
Watana Engineering PLLC
WIDJIT Service Group LLC