



Oregon Housing & Community Services

MWESB SDVBE in Affordable Housing Development

What is MWESB SDVBE?

Oregon Housing & Community Services (OHCS) is committed to advance diversity within its work by incentivizing affordable housing developers to contract with MWESB and SDVBE businesses or historically underutilized businesses. OHCS also encourages the use of local labor and partnering with the community to help build healthy, affordable homes, which addresses OHCS's goal of increasing apprenticeship programs in Oregon and improving economic and social vitality.

MWESB

Minority-Owned, Women-Owned and Emerging Small Business

SDVBE

Service-Disabled Veteran Business Enterprises

In 2022

\$426 million

has gone to MWESB SDVBE businesses

23% contractors

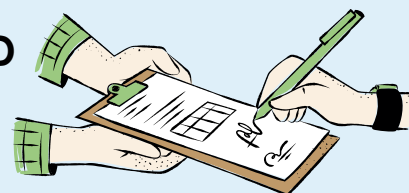
were MWESB SDVBE businesses for completed projects

25% contractors

were MWESB SDVBE businesses for projects in construction

Getting COBID Certification

OHCS allows both COBID certified and non-COBID firms that meet COBID requirements to count towards the MWESB SDVBE business requirement for housing development.



What is COBID certification?

Regulated by Business Oregon, COBID certifies MWESB SDVBE business owners interested in contracting with state, county, and city government agencies. The primary goal of certification is to level the playing field by providing certified firms a fair opportunity to compete for government contracts regardless of owner ethnicity, gender, disability, or firm size.

COBID

Certification Office for Business Inclusion and Diversity

OHCS MWESB SDVBE Requirements and Processes

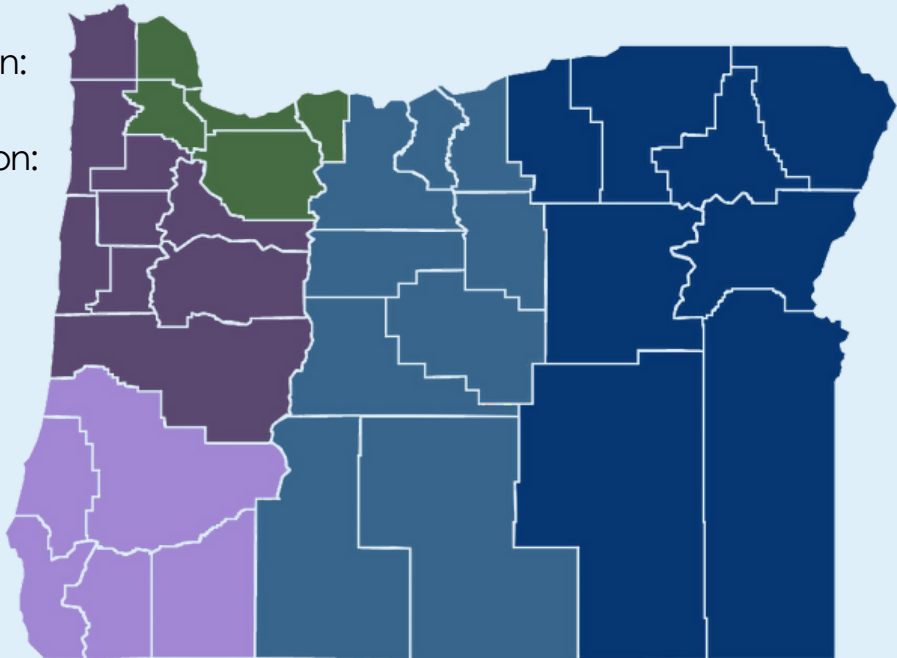
MWESB Compliance Manual

The OHCS MWESB Compliance manual addresses the marketing and outreach requirements of OHCS-financed developments. Developers required to provide a copy of MWESB Compliance Manual to general contractors and both sign acknowledgement form.

Region MWESB requirements are:

1. Region 1 Metro Oregon:
30%
2. Region 2-5 Rural Oregon:
20%

- Region 1
- Region 2
- Region 3
- Region 4
- Region 5



Find out more

All MWESB SDVBE documents and information can be found at oregon.gov/OHCSMWESB or by scanning the QR code. You can also email claudia.cantu@hcs.oregon.gov for additional questions.

