



# The BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT TRANSPORTER

A newsletter for MDOT-certified firms and program stakeholders

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## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- DBE Small Business Conference
- Upcoming Training and Events of Interest
- February MDOT Bid Letting Highlighted Projects

**MDOT MISSION STATEMENT:**  
*Providing the highest quality integrated transportation services for economic benefit and improved quality of life.*



## 2015 DBE Small Business Conference - Save the Date!

The 35th Annual DBE Small Business Conference will be held from Sunday, March 22, through Tuesday, March 24, at the DoubleTree Hotel in Dearborn/Detroit. The hotel is located at: 5801 Southfield Expressway Detroit, MI 48228

We are excited to offer new informational sessions and networking opportunities to enhance your business. This will be a conference that you won't want to miss!

There is no cost to attend this conference and registration fills up quickly, so be sure to register early at

<http://2015dbeconference.eventbrite.com>, or contact us at [mdot-dbe@michigan.gov](mailto:mdot-dbe@michigan.gov) or 866-323-1264. The deadline for registration is Friday, March 13, and hotel reservations can be made at <http://doubletree.hilton.com/en/dt/groups/personalized/D/DTTDBDT-MDT-20150322/index.jhtml>. If you are interested in having a vendor table to promote your firm, please contact us today for more information.



## Congratulations!

Congratulations to PaHoua Schroeder, our On-The-Job Training Program Coordinator, on receiving her bachelor's degree in business administration from Baker College! We know that she has been working very hard and we are proud of her accomplishment. Great job, PaHoua!

## Upcoming Training and Events of Interest

Feb. 4 (9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.) Motor City Casino, Detroit  
Construction Association of Michigan (CAM) Vendors Fair

Feb. 5 (7 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.) Lansing Center, Lansing  
MDOT/ACEC (American Council of Engineering Companies) Partnering Workshop

March 22-24 DoubleTree Hotel, Detroit/Dearborn  
DBE Small Business Conference

April 27 - Nov. 9 Detroit  
U.S. Small Business Administration Emerging Leaders Initiative  
[www.sba.gov/about-sba/sba\\_initiatives/sba\\_emerging\\_leaders\\_initiative](http://www.sba.gov/about-sba/sba_initiatives/sba_emerging_leaders_initiative)

For more information, contact: JoAnn Harris at 517-373-3282 or [harrisj@michigan.gov](mailto:harrisj@michigan.gov).

### Friday, Feb. 6, MDOT Letting:

#### Just a few of the projects scheduled for this bid letting:

13566-125522 - Calhoun County - 6%  
55031-110684 - Menominee County - 2%  
58400-124704 - Monroe County - 5%  
82457-124742 - Wayne County - 7%  
78434-126251 - St. Joseph County - 6%  
27021-110585 - Gogebic County - 3%  
59117-124541-2 - Montcalm County - 5%  
41481-124531 - Kent County - 6%  
30416-126808 - Hillsdale County - 5%  
24011-110605 - Emmet County - 6%  
73111-106858 - Saginaw County - 7%

### FTA Contracting

Bus transit and planning agencies post bid opportunities at: [www.michigan.gov/mucp](http://www.michigan.gov/mucp)  
Notices are posted as needed, so check often!

**Questions regarding the M-1 RAIL Project? Contact:**  
Sommer Woods  
Director of Community and Government Relations  
313-566-8250  
[sommer.woods@m1rail.org](mailto:sommer.woods@m1rail.org)  
[m-1rail.com](http://m-1rail.com)

To view all projects on the February letting schedule:

**DBE Website: [www.michigan.gov/mdotdbe](http://www.michigan.gov/mdotdbe)**

To find construction project work classification details, go to [www.michigan.gov/mdotdbe](http://www.michigan.gov/mdotdbe)

- **Select** Letting (from drop-down menu)
- **Select** Letting Date
- **Click** "Go"
- *To identify potential prime contractors, check the Eligible Bidders list before submitting a bid.*

Direct questions to: 866-DBE-1264(Lansing)