EBE Participation in Development Projects

We must set realistic and achievable goals for EBE participation—otherwise all we succeed in doing is driving up costs.

Minority population has increased, but--just because there is a significant jump in minority population, it does not mean that EBE businesses/certifications have grown proportionately. The actual percentage of EBE firms in the various industries must be considered when establishing goals.

Currently, Milwaukee doesn't have enough EBE firms that provide all the types of goods and services required in development projects.

From DCD's perspective, we have been able to meet and at times, even exceed requirements in the following areas:

- electrical
- plumbing
- roofing
- landscaping
- demolition
- flooring
- masonry

On the other hand, in the following areas we have been unable to meet existing EBE requirements:

- fire protection
- hangar doors
- hollow metal doors
- environmental remediation
- refrigeration
- elevators
- sheet metal work

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