



# CDBG Construction Employment Opportunities

Each year the City of Santa Barbara utilizes CDBG/HOME funds for local construction projects that benefit the community, including public facilities, infrastructure improvements and decent housing availability. Section 3 Business Concerns, Small and Minority Owned and Women Businesses are encouraged to submit bids for CDBG construction projects.

## Background:

Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, ("Section 3") requires that economic opportunities generated by certain U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) financial assistance for housing and community development programs are, to the greatest extent feasible, directed to low and very low-income persons. The priority of assistance should be to those who are recipients of government assistance for housing, and business concerns which provide economic opportunities to low and very low-income persons. The Section 3 program was created to ensure that persons living in communities where HUD assisted programs are funded could economically benefit from the resources being provided. This would improve the overall socioeconomic condition of not only the community, but also offer opportunities to the low and very low-income residents who reside within the neighborhoods.

Additionally, the City of Santa Barbara is required to take affirmative action to contract with small and minority-owned firms and women business enterprises and utilize small and minority-owned firms and women business enterprises for purchasing materials and supplies for CDBG construction projects.

## Inquire Today:

If you would like to see if your business would qualify as a Section 3 Business Concern or you are a small and minority owned or women business who would like to be notified of upcoming CDBG/HOME contracting opportunities please send an email to [LDrewes@SantaBarbaraCA.gov](mailto:LDrewes@SantaBarbaraCA.gov) to be added to the interest list or visit <https://hudapps.hud.gov/OpportunityPortal/> to view current Section 3 contracting, job and training opportunities.



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