



# I-375 RECONNECTING COMMUNITIES PROJECT

## About Us

Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) intends to honor the legacy of workforce and business diversity of the former Black Bottom and Paradise Valley neighborhoods' residents through robust disadvantaged business enterprise (DBE) and local workforce development initiatives designed to optimize the use of Detroit-based, minority-owned businesses and workforce in the delivery of the pre-construction, construction, and post-construction services. This will include engagement and outreach programs that focus on training, matchmaking, and recruitment of certified DBEs and small business enterprises (SBE).

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## Small/Disadvantaged Business Opportunities:



### Mentor Protege Program

Will assist in sustaining and enhancing the capacity of small business consultants to successfully compete for new vendor consultant procurement opportunities on the project.



### Project Opportunities

Design and construction prequalification classifications needed for the project including other potential services that don't require MDOT prequalifications.

## How-to Guide:



### How to become DBE Certified

Schedule an assessment with MDOT Outreach and Support Services Analyst Crystal Smith at [SmithC147@Michigan.gov](mailto:SmithC147@Michigan.gov) or 517 648 6540.



### To become prequalified for professional services

Contact MDOT Consultant Prequalification Analyst Courtney Causie at [CausieC@Michigan.gov](mailto:CausieC@Michigan.gov) or 517-290-9421.



### To become prequalified for construction services

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