

Chicago Transit Authority Buying Plan

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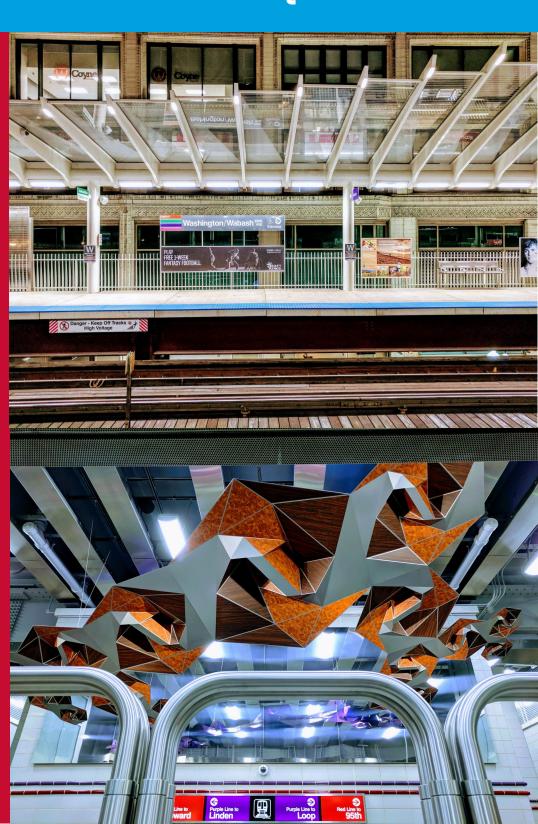
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Dear Potential Vendors:

Thank you for your interest in doing business with the Chicago Transit Authority.

Each year, the CTA issues hundreds of contracts for parts, materials and services. From small, specialized parts for our rail cars to printing maps and informational materials, each of these commodities and services help us offer the best possible service to our customers.

This guide provides a look ahead at contracts the CTA plans to pursue in the coming 18 months and will be updated regularly. The goal of this document is to increase the CTA 's vendor pool by making the business community aware of upcoming contracting opportunities. This will allow vendors sufficient time to register as a vendor with CTA, become familiar with the bid process, and prepare to bid on contracts that are of interest to them.

You'll also find information on our Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) and Small Business Programs, along with other helpful resources.

We hope you find this information useful, and that you choose to do business with the CTA.

Sincerely,

Nora Leerhsen,

Acting President



Thank you for viewing the Buying Plan for the CTA. The goal of the document is to inform potential vendors of contracting opportunities.

In this document you will find-

- Projected Contracting Opportunities
- Information on how to Register your firm with CTA
- Frequently Asked Vendor Questions
- Information on our Disadvantaged Business Enterprise program
- Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program Assist Agencies
- Small Business Program Information

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- List of Contacts in Procurement
- List of CTA Sister Agencies and Illinois UCP Participants

Thank you,

Ellen McCormack, Vice President Purchasing & Supply Chain

Primary Using Dept	Contract Type	Contract Description	Projected Contract Amount (Values)	Contract Length (Months)	Advertisement Projected Quarter	Subcontracting Opportunities	Funding Source
7 - 5 - 7	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000		3Q 2025	TASK/WORK ORDER - This work will be awarded to a prime contractor in a previously qualified pool of contractors. Subcontractor DBE goals specified on a	3
Construction	GEC Task Order	Skokie Shops - Facilities Improvements		16		Task/Work Order basis. Contract specific goals TBD.	Federal
Construction	Construction Manager	Blanket Construction Manager Services	\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	24	3Q 2025	Contract specific goals TBD	
Construction	GEC Task Order	Chicago Garage, 103rd garage- Facility Upgrade	Over \$20,000,001	23	3Q 2025	TASK/WORK ORDER - This work will be awarded to a prime contractor in a previously qualified pool of contractors. Subcontractor DBE goals specified on a Task/Work Order basis. Contract specific goals TBD.	State and Federal
Construction	GEC Task Order	Halsted and 79th Street bus Turnaround-ADA and site Improvements	\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	14	3Q 2025	TASK/WORK ORDER - This work will be awarded to a prime contractor in a previously qualified pool of contractors. Subcontractor DBE goals specified on a Task/Work Order basis. Contract specific goals TBD.	Federal
Construction	LIQ	Chicago Garage, 103rd garage- Facility Upgrade	\$2,000,001 - \$5,000,000	12	3Q 2025	Contract specific goals TBD	
		Dan Ryan Line - 95th Substation - Equipment	\$2,000,001 - \$5,000,000	6	3Q 2025	TASK/WORK ORDER - This work will be awarded to a prime contractor in a previously qualified pool of contractors. Subcontractor DBE goals specified on a	
Construction Construction	GEC Task Order GEC Task Order	Replacement Electric Bus Program - 95th Terminal Initial Installation and Substation Improvements	\$10,000,001 - \$20,000,000	18	3Q 2025	Task/Work Order basis. Contract specific goals TBD. TASK/WORK ORDER - This work will be awarded to a prime contractor in a previously qualified pool of contractors. Subcontractor DBE goals specified on a Task/Work Order basis. Contract specific goals TBD.	
Diversity Department	Professional Services	Workforce Pre-Apprenticeship Partner for Three Years With Two Funded One-Year Options	\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	36	3Q 2025	No established DBE goal	Non-Federal
Diversity Department	Professional Services	Candidate Placement Workforce Partner for Three Years With Two Funded One- Year Options	\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	36	3Q 2025	No established DBE goal	Non-Federal
Diversity Department	Professional Services	Event Planning Services	Under \$250,000	36	3Q 2025	SBE Opportunity	Non-Federal
Facilities Maintenance	Work Services	FILTER CHANGE-OUT (OR CLEANING) SERVICE AT VARIOUS FACILITIES THROUGHOUT CTA	\$2,000,001 - \$5,000,000	60	3Q 2025	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal
Facilities Maintenance	Work Services	GRADE LEVEL INDUSTRIAL WINDOW CLEANING AT VARIOUS RAPID TRANSIT	\$250,001 - \$500,000	32	3Q 2025	SBE Opportunity	Non-Federal
Facilities Maintenance	Work Services	HIGH-REACH AND ELEVATED INDUSTRIAL WINDOW CLEANING AT VARIOUS RAPID TRANSIT STATIONS	\$250,001 - \$500,000	32	3Q 2025	SBE Opportunity	Non-Federal
Facilities Maintenance	Commodities	ESCALATOR HANDRAIL AND FIELD SPLICING	\$250,001 - \$500,000	36	3Q 2025	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal
Facilities Maintenance	Work Services	Building Automation Services and Maintenance	\$1,000,001 - \$2,000,000	60	3Q 2025	10% DBE Goal	Non-Federal
Facilities Maintenance	Work Services	PROVIDE REPAIR PARTS AND SERVICE TO VARIOUS BRANDS OF HOT WATER HIGH PRESSURE WASHER EQUIPMENT	\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	60	3Q 2025	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal
Law Department	Professional Services	Specialized service to furnish copies of sensitive legal and medical records as required by the CTA Law Department	\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	60	3Q 2025	No established DBE goal	Non-Federal

Law Department	Professional Services	Subscription to an online docket management system	\$250,001 - \$500,000	60	3Q 2025	No established DBE goal	Non-Federal
Law Department	Professional Services	Subscribed access to an online platform to provide comprehensive Cook Co. and Illinois court and public records information, news, and directories	\$250,001 - \$500,000	60	3Q 2025	No established DBE goal	Non-Federal
		General Planning Consultant - new GPC to enable Planning and Innovation to issue task orders to various consultant firms for planning related projects (e.g Marker Research, Long-	Over \$20,000,001		3Q 2025		
Planning and Innovation	Work Services	range planning, etc.) Customer Relationship Management Tool - technology tool that will enable CTA to better track customer service complaints, manage workorder created by complaints and communicate with customers (essentially a	\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	60	3Q 2025	Contract specific goals TBD	Federal
Planning and Innovation	Technology	311 system for CTA)		60		Contract specific goals TBD	Local/State
		CLEAN AGENT FIRE EXTINGUISHING SYSTEMS INSPECTION, TESTING, AND MAINTENANCE FOR 36 MONTHS WITH TWO	\$2,000,001 - \$5,000,000		3Q 2025		
Power and Way	Work Services	FUNDED YEAR OPTIONS		60		No established DBE goal	Non-Federal
Power and Way	Work Services	FURNISH, INSTALL, MAINTAIN, AND REMOVE TRAFFIC BARRICADES	\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	60	3Q 2026	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal
Power and Way	Work Services	VARIOUS TYPES OF WELDING GASES	\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	60	3Q 2025	No established DBE goal	Non-Federal
RED LINE EXTENSION	Work Services	Parkway Landscape & Sidewalk Snow Removal	\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	84	3Q 2025	SBE Opportunity	Federal/State/TII
	Task Order		\$1,000,001 - \$2,000,000			TASK/WORK ORDER - This work will be awarded to a prime contractor in a previously qualified pool of contractors. Subcontractor DBE goals specified on a Task/Work Order basis. Contract specific goals TBD.	
RED LINE EXTENSION		Demolition Services - UWO-2		12	3Q 2025	MID Con Tier 1	Federal/State/TII
Supply Chain	Commodities	FURNISH AND DELIVER 2 Crown Picker	\$250,001 - \$500,000	36	3Q 2025	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal
Supply Chain	Commodities	FURNISH AND DELIVER 1 Articulated Wheel Loader	Under \$250,000	36	3Q 2025	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal
Supply Chain	Commodities	FURNISH AND DELIVER 5 YALE FORK LIFT	\$250,001 - \$500,000	36	3Q 2025	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal
Supply Chain	Commodities	FURNISH AND DELIVER 10 Electric Walkers	\$250,001 - \$500,000	36	3Q 2025	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal
Technology Management Technology Management	Technology Technology	Licensing & support for Microsoft products Management and Maintennce of CTA's System- Wide CCTV Video System (3 years plus 2 unfunded option years)	\$2,000,001 - \$5,000,000 Over \$20,000,001	36 36	3Q 2025 3Q 2025	No established DBE goal No established DBE goal	Non-Federal State and Federa
Technology Management	Technology	Offsite cloud-based hosting services for iManage software for Law Dept's Legal Management System	Under \$250,000	36	3Q 2025	No established DBE goal	Non-Federal
Transit Operations - Bus	Work Services	New Electric Bus - Base order 20 buses with 80 Option Buses for Total of up to 100 Buses	Over \$20,000,001	36	3Q 2025	Contract specific goals TBD	Federal
Transit Operations - Bus	Work Services	Overhaul parts kits for 1000 series	Over \$20,000,001	36	3Q 2025	Contract specific goals TBD	Federal
Transit Operations - Rail	Work Services	Calibration Services On Tools And Instruments Used To Repair And Maintain Rapid Transit Cars	Under \$250,000	36	3Q 2025	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal
Transit Operations - Rail	Work Services	FURNISH AND DELIVER NEW AND REBUILT HYDRAULIC CYLINDERS.	Under \$250,000	36	3Q 2025	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal
Transit Operations - Rail	Commodities	Battery Powered, Walk-behind, forklift	\$1,000,001 - \$2,000,000	12	3Q 2025	Contract specific goals TBD	Federal
Transit Operations - Rail	Work Services	INSPECTION OF RAILCAR WHEELS LOCATED IN BOHUMIN, CZECH REPUBLIC	Under \$250,000	36	3Q 2025	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal

		RECONDITIONING OF RAPID TRANSIT CAR					
	Work Services	TRUCK TIMKEN BEARING JOURNAL	Under \$250,000				
ransit Operations - Rail		ASSEMBLIES		36	3Q 2025	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal
	Work Services	CLEANING AND REPAIR SERVICE FOR RAIL CAR PRE-FILTERS	Under \$250,000	00	00 0005	Contract on a Sign and LTDD	
ransit Operations - Rail	0 100			36	3Q 2025	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal
ransit Operations - Rail	Commodities	Saw Dust Collection System	Under \$250,000	12	3Q 2025	Contract specific goals TBD	Federal
ransit Operations - Rail	Commodities	Industrial Carts - Burden Movers	Under \$250,000	12	3Q 2025	Contract specific goals TBD	Federal
ransit Operations - Rail	Commodities	Parts washer for Skokie Shops	\$2,000,001 - \$5,000,000	12	3Q 2025	Contract specific goals TBD	Federal
		SUPPLY AND DELIVER BULK ROCK SALT AS	Under \$250,000	12	3Q 2025		
Itility Services	Commodities	REQUIRED UNTIL MAY 31, 2026			`	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal
		All Station Accessibility Program - O'Hare					
		Line - Montrose Station and Canopy	\$10,000,001 - \$20,000,000		4Q 2025	0 1 1 15 1 170	
onstruction	General Contractor	Replacement Contractor		16		Contract specific goals TBD	Federal
		Dearborn Subway - Franklin and West Bank	\$2,000,001 - \$5,000,000		4Q 2025		
Construction	General Contractor	Pump Rooms		7	`	Contract specific goals TBD	Federal
	Construction	Dearborn Subway- Franklin and West Bank	\$250,001 - \$500,000		4Q 2025		
Construction	Manager	Pump Rooms		7	`	Contract specific goals TBD	Federal
						TASK/WORK ORDER - This work will be awarded to a	
		All Station Accessibility Program - O'Hare	\$1,000,001 - \$2,000,000		4Q 2025	prime contractor in a previously qualified pool of	
		Line - Montrose Station and Canopy	, ,, , ,,		•	contractors. Subcontractor DBE goals specified on a	
Construction	CM Task Order	Replacement		10		Task/Work Order basis. Contract specific goals TBD.	Federal
						TASK/WORK ORDER - This work will be awarded to a	
			\$10,000,001 - \$20,000,000	12	4Q 2025	prime contractor in a previously qualified pool of	
		Ravenswood Line - Damen and Paulina	,,			contractors. Subcontractor DBE goals specified on a	
Construction	GEC Task Order	Curves - Track Improvements				Task/Work Order basis. Contract specific goals TBD.	Federal
						TASK/WORK ORDER - This work will be awarded to a	
		All Stations Accessibility Program - O'Hare	\$2,000,001 - \$5,000,000		4Q 2025	prime contractor in a previously qualified pool of	
	Construction	Line - Montrose Station and Canopy	\$2,000,001 \$3,000,000		. Q 2020	contractors. Subcontractor DBE goals specified on a	
Construction	Manager	Replacement Construction Manager		10		Task/Work Order basis. Contract specific goals TBD.	State
		SUPPLY STRUCTURAL STEEL AND OTHER	\$1,000,001 - \$2,000,000		4Q 2025		
Facilities Maintenance	Commodities	STEEL PRODUCTS.	1 3000000 1 3000000	36	N 1 1	SBE Opportunity	Non-Federal
Cacilitica Maintananaa	Mark Carriage	Non Boyonya Vahiala Maintananaa Camiaaa	\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	36	4Q 2025	150/ DBE Cool	Non Fodoral
acilities Maintenance	Work Services Commodities	Non-Revenue Vehicle Maintenance Services	AT 000 001 A10 000 000	72	40 2025	15% DBE Goal	Non-Federal
acilities Maintenance	Work Services	Non-Revenue Vehicle purchases	\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000		4Q 2025	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal Non-Federal
acilities Maintenance	Work Services	Furnish Hot Mix Asphalt And Paving Services REPAIRS TO AND INSTALLATIONS OF NEW	\$2,000,001 - \$5,000,000	36	4Q 2025	No established DBE goal	Non-rederat
	W		\$2,000,001 - \$5,000,000		4Q 2025	45% PRE 0 4	
acilities Maintenance	Work Services	FENCING		60		15% DBE Goal	Non-Federal
	West Consists	Furnish Hot Mix Asphalt and Paving Services	\$1,000,001 - \$2,000,000	36	40.0005	CDE On a desirit	NON FEDERAL
acilities Maintenance	Work Services	Low Complexity	H		4Q 2025	SBE Opportunity	NON-FEDERAL
acilities Maintenance	Work Services	Contact Rail Insulator Components	Under \$250,000	36	4Q 2025	No established DBE goal	Non-Federal
	W	REPAIRING, REBUILDING AND MAINTAINING	\$2,000,001 - \$5,000,000	60	4Q 2025	5% DBE Goal	
acilities Maintenance	Work Services	VARIOUS BOILERS		1			Non-Federal
			Under \$250,000	60	4Q 2025	N	
acilities Maintenance	Work Services	REPAIR/REBUILD AC/DC ELECTRIC MOTORS	·			No established DBE goal	Non-Federal
	0	Railroad Crossing Gate Arms Replacement	Under \$250,000		4Q 2025	Contract specific goals TBD	
ower and Way	Commodities	Parts, Accessories, Hardware	·	60	*	· ·	Non-Federal
)A/	10' X 30' FACTORY-WIRED MOBILE, OPEN	Under \$250,000	36	4Q 2025		
ower and Way	Work Services	BAY, AND HIGH SECURITY OFFICE RENTALS	•	-	*	No established DBE goal	Non-Federal
		Furnish and install office furniture,					
		components, and parts for a period of up to	\$1,000,001 - \$2,000,000	36	4Q 2025		l
Real Estate Services	Work Services	36 months from date of contract exection				No established DBE goal	Non-Federal
	Design Bid-Build	RFP for Red Line Extension- 120th Yard/Shop	Over \$20,000,001		4Q 2025		
RED LINE EXTENSION	Contractor	Construction	Over \$20,000,001	60	4Q 2025	Contract specific goals TBD	Federal/S

RED LINE EXTENSION	GEC Task Order	RLE Parking Facility Design	\$2,000,001 - \$5,000,000	36	4Q 2025	Contract specific goals TBD	Federal/State/TI
		Furnish local, long-distance, toll-free landline &	Under \$250.000				
Technology Management	Technology	data telecommunications		36	4Q 2025	No established DBE goal	Non-Federal
Transit Operations - Bus	Work Services	Antifreeze Recycling Services	Under \$250,000	36	4Q 2025	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal
Transit Operations - Rail	Commodities	Standup Forklift	Under \$250,000	12	4Q 2025	Contract specific goals TBD	Federal
Transit Operations - Rail	Commodities	Telehandler	Under \$250,000	12	4Q 2025	Contract specific goals TBD	Federal
Transit Operations - Rail	Commodities	Pressure/Power washer systems	Under \$250,000	12	4Q 2025	Contract specific goals TBD	Federal
		DEVELOP DETAILED MECHANICAL &					
	Work Services	ELECTRICAL DRAWINGS THROUGH REVERSE ENGINEERING FOR VARIOUS RAIL & BUS	Under \$250,000				
Transit Operations Dail		PARTS		36	4Q 2025	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal
Transit Operations - Rail Transit Operations - Rail	Commodities	Walk behind floor scrubbers	\$250,001 - \$500,000	12	4Q 2025 4Q 2025	Contract specific goals TBD	Federal
Transit Operations - Nait	Commodities	FURNISH LABOR, MATERIALS, TOOLS,	\$250,001 - \$500,000	12	4Q 2023	Contract specific goals TBD	leuciai
		EQUIPMENT AND RELATED ITEMS					
		NECESSARY TO COMPLETE CONCRETE	\$1,000,001 - \$2,000,000		1Q 2026		
		WORK AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS WITHIN THE	Ψ1,000,001 - Ψ2,000,000		10,2020		
Facilities Maintenance	Work Services	CHICAGO METROPOLITAN AREA		36		Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal
- dollaroo i famiconario		Furnish All Labor And Equipment Required To		00		Contract opcome godie 122	
		Test, Inspect, Repair & Maintain Cta's Water-					
	Professional	Based Fire Prevention Systems At Various	\$1,000,001 - \$2,000,000		1Q 2026		
Facilities Maintenance	Services	Locations System-Wide		36		No established DBE goal	Non-Federal
		Electric and Electric-Hydraulic Elevator				0,1	
		Modernization and Component Replacement	Over \$20,000,001	60	1Q 2026		
Facilities Maintenance	Work Services	Services			·	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal
		PARTS AND REPAIR FOR VARIOUS					
INFRASTRUCTURE	Work Services	COMPRESSORS	Under \$250,000	36	1Q 2026	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal
Infrastructure	Commodities	FR Clothing Managed Apparel Program	\$2,000,001 - \$5,000,000	84	1Q 2026	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal
	Professional	Subscribed access to web-based legal research	\$500,001, \$1,000,000	60	1Q 2026		
Law Department	Services	services	\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	60	TQ 2026	No established DBE goal	Non-Federal
		Content Management System - tool enabling					
		CTA to manage all digital content on the					
		various digital signage throughout the system	\$1,000,001 - \$2,000,000		1Q 2026		
		(on buses and trains, at rail stations and bus					
Planning and Innovation	Technology	stops)		60		Contract specific goals TBD	Local/State
Power and Way	Work Services	REFURBISH VARIOUS SWITCH MACHINES.	\$250,001 - \$500,000	36	1Q 2026	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal
		RENTAL AND LAUNDERING OF FLAME	\$250,001 - \$500,000		1Q 2026	Contract specific goals TBD	
Power and Way	Work Services	RESISTANT WORK CLOTHING	,, , , ,	60	-, -		Non-Federal
		FURNISH AND DELIVER SHEET STEEL OF	\$250,001 - \$500,000	36	1Q 2026		
Power and Way	Commodities	VARIOUS SIZES AND THICKNESS				SBE Opportunity	Non-Federal
		FURNISH AND DELIVER RAIL BOUND					
Danier and Was	0	MANGANESE (RBM) FROGS AND SWITCH	\$1,000,001 - \$2,000,000	60	1Q 2026	On the state of the state of TDD	Non Fodousi
Power and Way	Commodities	POINTS VDI Sustam Panlagament	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	10	40,0000	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal
Transit Operations - Rail	Commodities	VPI System Replacement STEEL DOORS, DOOR FRAMES AND DOOR	\$1,000,001 - \$2,000,000	12	1Q 2026	Contract specific goals TBD	Federal
Facilities Maintenance	Commodities	HARDWARE	Under \$250,000	36	2Q 2026	Contract engelfie goals TPD	Non-Federal
racilities Maintenance	Commodities	EXTERMINATION SERVICES AT VARIOUS				Contract specific goals TBD	Non-reuerat
Eacilities Maintenance	Work Services	CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY LOCATIONS	\$250,001 - \$500,000	36	2Q 2026	SBE Opportunity	Non Fodoral
Facilities Maintenance	WOLK SELVICES	FURNISH & DELIVER VARIOUS TRACTION				ODE Opportunity	Non-Federal
Power and Way	Commodities	POWER CABLE	\$1,000,001 - \$2,000,000	60	2Q 2026	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal
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	Commodities	TRACK HARDWARE COMPONIENTS	\$2 000 001 \$E 000 000	60	20 2026	Contract enecific goals TPD	
Power and Way Power and Way	Commodities Commodities	TRACK HARDWARE COMPONENTS TEE RAIL AND JOINT BARS.	\$2,000,001 - \$5,000,000 \$1,000,001 - \$2,000,000	60 60	2Q 2026 2Q 2026	Contract specific goals TBD Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal Non-Federal

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Real Estate Services	Work Services	SERVICES	Over \$20,000,001	60	2Q 2026	40% DBE Goal	Non-Federal
RED LINE EXTENSION	Design Bid-Build Contractor	RLE Parking Facility Construction	Over \$20,000,001	24	2Q 2026	Contract specific goals TBD	Federal/State/TII
Utility Services	Work Services	LEASING OF AUTOMOBILES AND TRUCKS.	Over \$20,000,001	84	2Q 2026	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal
Construction	Construction Manager	59th Junction Dan Ryan Curves Track Rehabilatation	\$1,000,001 - \$2,000,000	6	3Q 2026	Contract specific goals TBD	Federal
Facilities Maintenance	Work Services	FURNISH AND INSTALL VARIOUS TYPES OF GLASS.	\$2,000,001 - \$5,000,000	60	3Q 2026	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal
Facilities Maintenance	Commodities	GAS AND OIL BURNER IGNITION CONTROL PARTS FOR VARIOUS BOILERS AND UNIT HEATERS	Under \$250,000	36	3Q 2026	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal
Facilities Maintenance	Work Services	INSPECTION, TESTING, MAINTENANCE & REPAIR OF FIRE ALARM SYSTEMS THROUGHTOUT THE CTA FOR A PERIOD OF UP TO 36 MONTHS FROM DATE OF CONTRACT EXECUTION	\$500,001-\$1,000,000	50	3Q 2026	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal
Facilities Maintenance	Commodities	PROVIDE THE INSPECTION, REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE FOR AMERICAN DISABILITIES ACT DOORS AT VARIOUS CTA LOCATIONS.	\$1,000,001 - \$2,000,000	36	3Q 2026	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal
Facilities Maintenance	Work Services	PROVIDE LABOR, SUPERVISION, MATERIALS AND POWER EQUIPMENT NECESSARY FOR THE CLEANING OF SEWERS, CATCH BASINS, DRAINS AND MANHOLES AS WELL AS INVESTIGATION OF CTA?S SUBWAY VENT SHAFT, LOUVERS AND EMERGENCY SUBWAY EXITS	\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	36	30 2026	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal
Construction	Construction Manager	103RD Bus Garage- Roof Replacement	\$1,000,001 - \$2,000,000	9	4Q 2026	Contract specific goals TBD	Federal
Facilities Maintenance	Work Services	PIPEFITTING, STEAMFITTING, PLUMBING AND SEWER WORK	\$2,000,001 - \$5,000,000	36	4Q 2026	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal
Facilities Maintenance	Work Services	ESCALATOR, PASSENGER ELEVATOR, FREIGHT ELEVATOR, DUMBWAITER, AND WHEELCHAIR LIFTS 3RD PARTY INSPECTIONS	\$250,001 - \$500,000	36	4Q 2026	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal
Power and Way	Commodities	FURNISH AND DELIVER SUBSTATION AND GATE HOUSE BATTERIES	\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	36	4Q 2026	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal
Power and Way	Commodities	FURNISH AND DELIVER MACTON BRAND BBM RAILWAY EQUIPMENT AND PARTS FOR BUS AND RAIL HOISTING EQUIPMENT	Under \$250,000	36	4Q 2026	Contract specific goals TBD	Non-Federal



Dear Vendor,

The Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) appreciates the opportunity to conduct business with a variety of vendors and suppliers. Vendors are encouraged to register with the CTA and/or apply for DBE and SBE certifications.

You may become an approved vendor by following these steps:

- Visit https://cta.dbesystem.com/
- In the CTA Vendor Registration (i-Supplier) section, select the CTA Vendor Registration button
- Select the New iSupplier Registration link; complete the Prospective Supplier Registration information and submit for approval
- Once approved, an email will be sent with a link to reset your password. The email address supplied becomes your username.
- To update your company information, return to the CTA Vendor Registration (i-Supplier) section, select the CTA Vendor Registration button
- Select the Existing iSupplier Registration link and logon with your email address.

CTA is notifying registered vendors of new publicly advertised contracting opportunities via e-mail. The e-mail notifications will be sent to CTA registered vendors by commodity.

If you have questions regarding vendor registration, please contact CTA Vendor Management, at ctavendormgmt@transitchicago.com .

CTA is pleased to announce it has engaged Bonfire to create a portal through which solicitations will be posted and where bids and proposals will be submitted. CTA is holding virtual bid openings for Invitations for Bids through our online contract platform.

CTA has transitioned to electronic submission through the Bonfire platform. **Hard copy proposals and bids are no longer being accepted.** Because CTA has moved to electronic submission, companies wishing to respond to procurements must register and upload their submissions through the Bonfire portal, available at: https://transitchicago.bonfirehub.com/portal/?tab=openOpportunities.

NOTE: You must register with Bonfire even if you are a current CTA registered vendor or currently do business with CTA. Registration is <u>easy and free</u>. Please be sure to select **NAICS** codes associated with your type of business or organization. Our solicitations will be set up using those codes and will be matched to vendors and contractors with the same codes.

CTA is excited about the changes we have made to streamline our electronic bid process and we look forward to continuing our good relationship with our vendors.

Should you have any questions, please contact the Bid Office via email at ctavendormgmt@transitchicago.com.



Q: What is a bid?

A: A bid is a vendor's response to a solicitation by the CTA requesting offers to provide a specific good or service.

Q: Does a vendor need to be pre-qualified to bid?

A: No, unless otherwise specified in the bid documents.

Q: How does a vendor become pre-qualified to bid, and how often does the vendor need to renew its pre-qualified status?

A: As stated above, a vendor does not necessarily need to be pre-qualified to bid. A specific solicitation may require pre-qualification. Regardless, vendors are encouraged to <u>register online</u>, which allows vendors to be added to CTA's database of vendors. Additionally, Vendors must register through CTA's Bonfire portal at https://transitchicago.bonfirehub.com/portal/?tab=openOpportunities in order to download solicitations and submit responses.

Q: Can I apply to become a CTA vendor online?

A: Yes, you can apply to become a CTA vendor online by accessing CTA's online vendor/DBE registration system at https://cta.dbesystem.com/. Additionally, Vendors must register through CTA's Bonfire portal at https://transitchicago.bonfirehub.com/portal/?tab=openOpportunities in order to download solicitations and submit responses.

Q: Does a vendor need to pay for bid specifications?

A: When required, you must provide CTA with cash, a cashier's check, certified check or money order, as specified in the solicitation document.

Q: Can bids be faxed?

A: Bids must be returned to the CTA in accordance with the instructions to bidders in the bid document.

Q: When are bids opened?

A: Bids are opened and read online through designated link provided in Bonfire for each procurement.

Q: What disqualifies a bid?

A: You should read the specification document very carefully and follow all instructions. This is the best way to keep from having your bid disqualified. In general, bids can also be disqualified for being late or missing information and/or signatures. Please note that this is not an exhaustive list of reasons for disqualification.

Q: When will the contract be awarded?

A: Contracts are awarded either following consideration and approval by the Board or in accordance with the established process for contract approval and execution for contracts that do not require Board ratification.

Q: Do I need to bid through a DBE?

A: No.

Q: What is a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE)?

A: A DBE firm is a firm which has been certified as being owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals pursuant to 49 CFR, Part 26. More information regarding CTA's DBE program can be obtained from the Diversity Programs Department.

Vendor FAQ Continued

Q: Where do I find a DBE firm?

A: The Illinois Unified Certification Program (IL UCP) publishes and maintains a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Directory which lists all certified DBEs in the State of Illinois. A copy of this directory can be <u>at https://webapps.dot.illinois.gov/UCP/ExternalSearch</u>, or you may contact the Diversity Programs Department.

Q: Who are approved DBEs?

A: Please visit the IL UCP DBE Directory (https://webapps.dot.illinois.gov/UCP/ExternalSearch) or contact the Diversity Programs Department.

Q: Can I apply and/or maintain my DBE certification online?

A: Yes, you can apply for DBE certification, and maintain your certification if you are already certified, online by accessing our online vendor/DBE registration system at https://cta.dbesystem.com/.

Q: I'm a certified DBE with the City of Chicago/the Illinois Department of Transportation/Metra/Pace, am I also certified with CTA?

A: CTA is a certifying participant in the Illinois Unified Certification Program (IL UCP). All firms that are certified with the IL UCP through one of the aforementioned agencies are considered DBEs with CTA.

Q: What is the Illinois Unified Certification Program (IL UCP)?

A: The IL UCP is based on the concept of reciprocity among the participants. The certifying participants of the IL UCP are CTA, the Illinois Department of Transportation, the City of Chicago, Metra and Pace. If a firm is approved as a DBE firm, this certification is honored by all IL UCP participants in the State of Illinois.

Q: How do I fill out Schedules C and D?

A: Please follow the directions in the bid document or contact the Diversity Programs Department if you need additional assistance.

Q. If my firm is currently certified as a Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) or a Woman-Owned Business Enterprise (WBE), do I need to be certified as a DBE?

A. Yes, CTA only recognizes certified DBEs for credit towards a DBE goal on its contracts.

Q. If my firm is currently certified as an MBE or WBE, will it qualify as a DBE?

A. Although some of the qualification criteria are similar, the DBE program is a federal program and the M/WBE programs are local programs. Therefore, you must submit a new application for DBE status.

Q: How do I get my product approved?

A: CTA's Technical Services department typically reviews and approves new products. To be considered, please contact the Bid Office via email at ctavendormgmt@transitchicago.com.

Q: Please explain the difference between purchases over and under \$40,000.00?

A: Purchases in excess of \$40,000.00 are required to be publicly advertised for bid. Purchases that are \$40,000.00 or less do not require public advertisement.

Q: Is everything that CTA purchases posted on the website?

A: No. All competitively bid procurements over \$40,000.00 are posted on the CTA's e-procurement portal at https://transitchicago.bonfirehub.com/portal/?tab=openOpportunities.

Q: Are the CTA Projected Contracting Opportunities an exhaustive list of all future contracts?

A: No. This document will be updated periodically and is subject to change without notice. Some contract opportunities may not be included in this plan.



Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program

The Chicago Transit Authority's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program demonstrates the Authority's continued commitment to the success of all disadvantaged businesses, including but not limited to minority and women-owned businesses, by promoting contracting opportunities to DBEs within transit.

The Chicago Transit Authority's DBE program is governed by the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) Regulations, 49 CFR Part 26.

DBE Certification Eligibility

Persons who are Black Americans, Hispanic Americans, Asian-Pacific Americans, Subcontinent Asian Americans, Native Americans or Women are presumed to be socially disadvantaged; other persons may be found to be socially disadvantaged on a case-by-case basis. In order to be economically disadvantaged, the majority owner(s) cannot have a personal net worth that exceeds \$2.047 million and the average annual gross receipts of the firm over a 3-year period cannot exceed \$30.72 million and the standard set by the Small Business Administration for the industry in which the firm operates over a 5-year period. In addition to meeting these requirements, you will need to provide documentation of your past experience and expertise in the area(s) of specialization for which your firm is seeking certification and demonstrate ownership and control of the firm.

For more information or questions, please refer to the Regulations at 49 CFR Part 26, or call (312) 681-2600 or email diversity@transitchicago.com.

Illinois Unified Certification Program (IL UCP)

Pursuant to the requirements of the federal regulations, 49 CFR, Part 26, all recipients of federal-aid must implement a "one-stop" certification process for Disadvantaged Business Enterprises. As a result of this requirement, the Chicago Transit Authority, Metra, Pace, Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), and City of Chicago have established the Illinois Unified Certification Program (IL UCP).

The IL UCP is based on the concept of certification reciprocity among the agencies. The IL UCP provides "one stop shopping" to applicants for Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) certification, such that an applicant needs only to apply once for DBE certification. This DBE certification will be honored by all participating IL UCP agencies in the State of Illinois.

DBE Certification Application

The DBE application has been developed to determine whether your firm is eligible for the DBE Program and to provide information regarding the certification of your firm in your designated area of expertise. In order to become certified as a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise, your firm must meet the eligibility standards established by the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) Regulation 49 C.F.R., Part 26. Once a firm is certified by CTA as a DBE, it will be honored by all IL UCP participating agencies. We suggest you contact each agency in order to receive additional information pertaining to their respective bidding opportunities.

You may apply for and maintain your DBE certification on-line via https://cta.dbesystem.com/.

If you need assistance, or have questions regarding completion of the application, please contact us at (312) 681-2600 or email <u>diversity@transitchicago.com</u>.



The following agencies provide various types of assistance to DBE firms with respect to the certification process to become a DBE, bidding on construction contracts, and bid notifications.

Arquitectos Loop Station Po Box 2587 Chicago IL 60690

Contact: Jose Espejo Phone: (773) 716-6042

Email: information@arquitectoschicago.org

Services

Business Development, Mentorship

Association of Asian American Construction Enterprises (AACE) 712 Root St Chicago IL, 60609

Contact: Christine Chung Phone (312) 595-2010

E-mail: admin@aacechicago.com

Services

Certification, Bidding Assistance, Business Development,

Austin African American Business Networking Association (AAABNA) 5820 W. Chicago Ave. Chicago, IL 60651

Contact: Malcolm Crawford Phone: (773) 626-4497 Email: aaabna@yahoo.com

Services

Business Development; Technical Assistance

Black Contractors, Owners, and Executives (BCOE) 7811 S. Stony Island Ave. Chicago, IL 60649

Contact: Angela Drexel

Phone: (708) 535-6001 ext. 304

Email: adrexel@livewire-systems.com

Web: www.bcoechicago.org

Services

Business Development

Black Contractors United (BCU) 12000 S. Marshfield Ave Calumet Park, IL 60827

Contact: Ed McKinnie Phone: (708) 389-5730 Fax: (708) 389-5735

E-mail: mckinnie@blackcontractorsunited.com
Web: www.blackcontractorsunited.com

Services

Business Development; Technical Assistance; Bidding Assistance

Chatham Business Association (CBA) 800 East 78th St. Chicago, IL 60619

Contact: Pattilyn Beals Phone: (773) 994-5006 Fax: (773) 855-8905

E-mail: pattilynbeals@cbaworks.org

Web: www.cbaworks.org

Services

Business Development; Certification Assistance; Technical Assistance; Bidding Assistance

Chicago Minority Supplier Development Council (CMSDC) 105 W. Adams Chicago, IL 60603

Contact: Neda Sharp Phone: (312) 755-2554 Fax: (312) 755-8890

E-mail:nsharp@chicagomsdc.org
Web: www.chicagomsdc.org

Services

Business Development; Certification Assistance; Technical Assistance; Bidding Assistance

Chicago Urban League (CUL) 4510 S. Michigan Ave. Chicago, IL 60653

Contact: Kevin Davenport Phone: (773) 624-8810 Fax: (773) 451-3549

E-mail: kdavenport@thechicagourbanleague.org

Web: www.thechicagourbanleague.org

Services

Business Development; Certification Assistance; Technical Assistance; Bidding Assistance

Contractor Advisors Business Development, Inc. 1507 E. 53rd St. Suite 906 Chicago, IL 60615

Contact: Suzanne F. Stantley Phone: (312) 436-0301

Email: <u>sfstantley@contractoradvisors.us</u>
Web: www.contractoradvisors.us

Services

Business Development; Bidding Assistance

Cosmopolitan Chamber of Commerce 1633 S. Michigan Ave. Chicago, IL 60616

Contact: Rhonda McGowan Phone: (312) 971-9594

Email: rmcgowan@cosmochamber.org

Services

Business Development; Bidding Assistance

Federation of Women Contractors (FWC) 4210 W. Irving Park Rd. Chicago, IL 60641

Contact: Jaemie Neely Phone: (312) 360-1122 Fax: (312) 360-0239

E-mail: <u>ineely@fwcchicago.com</u>
Web: www.fwcchicago.com

Services

Business Development

Greater Englewood Community Development Corporation (GECDC) 815 W. 63rd St. Chicago, IL 60621

Contact: Rhea Steele Phone: (773) 651-2400 Email: thughes@gecdc.org Web: www.gecdc.org

Services

Business Development

Hispanic American Construction Industry Association (HACIA) 650 W. Lake St., Suite 415 Chicago, IL 60607

Contact: Juan Calahorrano Phone: (312) 575-0389 Fax: (312) 575-0544

E-mail: jcalahorrano@haciaworks.org

Web: www.haciaworks.org

Services

Business Development; Certification Assistance; Technical Assistance

Illinois Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (IHCC) 222 Merchandise Mart Plaza, Suite 1212 Chicago, IL 60654

Contact: Angie Alonso-Cone Phone: (312) 425-9500 Fax: (312) 666-5545

Web: www.ihccbusiness.net

Services

Business Development; Certification Assistance; Technical Assistance

LGBT Chamber of Commerce 3179 N. Clark St. 2nd Floor Chicago, IL 60657

Contact: Bill Wald Phone: (773) 303-0167 Email: bill.wald@lgbtcc.com Web: www.lgbtcc.com

Services

Business Development; Technical Assistance

MDBA Business Center Chicago 105 W. Adams St. Chicago, IL 60603

Contact: David Thomas Phone: (312) 755-8880

Email: dthomas@chicagombdacenter.com

Web: www.mbda.gov

Services

Business Development; Certification Assistance

National Association of Minority Contractors Chicago (NAMCC) 4455 S. Martin Luther King Dr. Chicago, IL 60653

Contract: Curtis Thompson Phone: (708) 439-4517

Email: Curtis@namccchicago.org

Services

Business Development; Technical Assistance

National Organization of Minority Engineers 33 W. Monroe St. Suite 1540 Chicago, IL 60603

Contact: Diana Hennington Phone: (312) 960-1239

Email: grandevents1@sbcglobal.net

Web: www.nomeonline.org

Services

Business Development; Technical Assistance

U.S. Minority Contractors Association (USMCA) 1250 S. Grove Ave. Suite 200 Barrington, IL 60010

Contract: Ashley Washington Phone: (847) 852-5010

E-mail: admin@usminoritycontractors.org
Web: www.usminoritycontractors.org

Services

Business Development; Certification Assistance; Technical Assistance; Bidding Assistance

Women's Business Development Center (WBDC) 8 S. Michigan Ave., 4th Floor Chicago, IL 60603

Contact: Maura Downs Phone: (312) 853-3477 Fax: (312) 853-0145

E-mail: <u>mdowns@wbdc.org</u>

Web: www.wbdc.org

Services

Business Development; Certification Assistance; Technical Assistance

Women Construction Owners & Executives (WCOE) 308 Circle Avenue Forest Park, IL 60130

Contact: Mary Kay Minaghan Phone: (708) 366-1250 Fax: (708) 366-5418

E-mail: <u>mkm@mkmservices.com</u> Website: <u>www.wcoeusa.org</u>

Services

Business Development; Certification Assistance; Technical Assistance



The policy of the CTA is to facilitate competition by small businesses as prime contractors or subcontractors on CTA contracts. The CTA's Small Business Enterprise (SBE) Program is part of its Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program as set forth in 49 C.F.R. Part 26.39. This program is designed to give certified small businesses an opportunity to bid as primes on CTA contracts. Under this program, selected contracts below \$5,000,000 in value will be set aside for small businesses to bid on as prime contractors.

Small Business Enterprise (SBE) Program Eligibility

The following requirements must be met to be eligible to participate in the CTA Small Business Enterprise (SBE) Program:

- 1. The company must meet the size standards for small businesses set forth by the Small Business Administration (SBA) for the industry in which it works over a 5-year average.
- 2. The company's annual gross receipts cannot exceed \$30.40 Million over a 3-year average
- 3. Each owner must not exceed personal net worth of \$1.32 Million.

Small Business Verification

The CTA only accepts Small Business Enterprise (SBE) certifications/verifications from CTA, Metra, Pace, and SEPTA. All DBE-certified firms are, by definition, small businesses and do not need to seek additional SBE certification.

The CTA will post on its website any additional entities that perform SBE certification or verification methods that will be accepted by CTA, as they become available.

For information and/or questions about the CTA Small Business Program, please call (312) 681-2600 or e-mail diversity@transitchicago.com.

How to find out about contracting opportunities under the Small Business Enterprise (SBE) Program

All contracting opportunities are posted on CTA's e-procurement portal at https://transitchicago.bonfirehub.com/portal/?tab=openOpportunities and are also advertised in the classified section of the Chicago Sun-Times newspaper.

Solicitations available for download will include all forms required to submit a complete bid to the CTA, including DBE forms and special conditions regarding the SBE Program.

CTA is notifying registered vendors of new publicly advertised contracting opportunities through e-mail notifications. The e-mail will be sent to CTA registered vendors by commodity. For vendor registration and other information, visit the CTA Vendor Registration and DBE Certification Web site at https://cta.dbesystem.com/.

All vendors are encouraged to update their business contact information including their e-mail address and list of commodities as all notifications will be sent via e-mail.

- 1. For questions regarding vendor registration, contact CTA Vendor Management, at ctavendormgmt@transitchicago.com.
- 2. For questions about bid notifications, visit the CTA's e-procurement portal at https://transitchicago.bonfirehub.com/portal/?tab=openOpportunities.
- 3. For questions about the Small Business Enterprise (SBE) Program, contact the Diversity Department at (312) 681-2600.



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Suburban Bus Division of the Regional Transportation Authority (Pace)