WisDOT Office of Business Opportunity and Equity Compliance has partnered with SCALE UP MILWAUKEE (SUMKE) to develop selected DBE firms through their programs: Rising Tide and SPARC.

Scale Up Milwaukee, an initiative of the Greater Milwaukee Committee, started in 2013 and is helping to create business growth for entrepreneurs in the Milwaukee area and beyond. Based on ecosystem theory, the initiative convenes selected cohorts of businesses to spur extraordinary entrepreneurial growth. Leveraging Scale Up’s experience, SUMKE recognizes a unique opportunity to impact not only business growth but also to help resolve economic and social disparities.

OBOEC is recruiting entrepreneurs who have a strong interest in focusing intensely on growing their sales, taking advantage of all the resources at their disposal and the growth opportunities that come their way. The highly motivated DBE must commit to engaging in team and community-building exercises with other participants to take advantage of the experience fully. Participants will learn how and be willing to tell their growth stories at every opportunity, taking advantage of lessons learned during workshops and how best to tell growth stories.

SPARC is a growth-centric virtual training program with a focus on helping Black, Hispanic, and woman-owned businesses under $1 million in revenue grow their ventures in terms of sales, marketing, finances, operations, and organizational development. Taught by local and national experts, business owners, faculty, and alumni, the virtual training program consists of small cohorts of businesses to foster relationships between companies. OBOEC is recruiting up to 5 non-competitive DBE firms to participate in the Fall 2022 Cohort.

Rising Tide focuses on closing the racial wealth gap as it impacts business owners, their families, and their legacy, as well as recognizing and addressing the challenges presented by the historic racial and generational wealth gap of Black and brown-owned businesses.
businesses. SUMKE’s approach focuses on identifying high-value activities and behaviors associated with creating, protecting, growing, and transmitting generational wealth, designed to advance all participants along the Generational Wealth Continuum by connecting them to information, tools, and resources for their journey.

Much of the work relates to enhancing wealth literacy among the participants.

**Wealth literacy Indicators include:**
- Insurance knowledge, including various vehicles for wealth transfer
- Familiarity with incorporation structures and their benefits
- Formation of an asset base and financial literacy
- Estate and succession planning
- Tax knowledge, including transition planning for wealth transfer
- Communication with successive generations to ensure smooth transition and understanding

OBOEC will sponsor a Rising Tide cohort for interested and highly motivated DBE firms next summer 2023. To learn more about these programs and how it can benefit your company, please contact Elizabeth Cizinsky, Director of Programs & Impact at elizabeth@sumke.com.

**Ready to grow your company?**

**APPLY TO SPARC TODAY!**

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WisDOT DBE Goal Summary Report  
Federal Fiscal Year 2022 (through July 2022)

OVERALL DBE ANNUAL GOAL - 12.41%

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Unified Certification Program (UCP)
Newly Certified DBE Firms | May 2022 - July 2022

WISDOT

EurekaFacts, LLC
Jorge Restrepo
Rockville, MD 20850
(240) 403-1636
restrepoj@eurekafacts.com
CERTIFICATE DATE: 5/24/22
HOME REGION: Non-WI
WORK CLASSIFICATION: Professional Services
(Information Technology)
NAICS CODE: 541511 - Custom computer programming services

EE Consultants, LLC
Sana Khatri
Madison, WI 53719
(608) 239-5340
skhatri@eeconsultantsllc.com
CERTIFICATE DATE: 6/14/22
HOME REGION: SW
WORK CLASSIFICATION: Professional Services
(Engineering Design)
NAICS CODE: 541330 - Engineering Services

ACR Trucking, LLC
Candice Rutkowski
Greenfield, WI 53220
(414) 617-5224
acrtruckingllc@gmail.com
CERTIFICATE DATE: 05/31/22
HOME REGION: SE
WORK CLASSIFICATION: Dump Trucking
NAICS CODE: 484220 - Specialized Freight
(Except Used Goods) Trucking, Local

NMR Contractors, LLC
Nicole Richardson
Glenwood City, WI 54013
(715) 441-0855
nmrcontractorsllc@yahoo.com
CERTIFICATE DATE: 5/31/22
HOME REGION: NW
WORK CLASSIFICATION: Site Trailer Provision Services
NAICS CODE: 532412 - Construction, Mining, and Forestry Machinery and Equipment Rental and Leasing

PPK Traffic Services, LLC
Frank Kyazze
Milwaukee, WI 53209
(414) 940-2991
ppktraffic@gmail.com
CERTIFICATE DATE: 6/13/22
HOME REGION: SE
WORK CLASSIFICATION: Heavy Highway Construction (Traffic Control)
NAICS CODE: 561990 – All Other Support Services

E6 Engineers Incorporated
Chiang Lee
Austin, TX 78702
(414) 303-9090
chiang.lee81@gmail.com
CERTIFICATE DATE: 6/20/22
HOME REGION: Non-WI
WORK CLASSIFICATION: Professional Services
(Engineering Design)
NAICS CODE: 541330 - Engineering Services

Electronic Knowledge Interchange Company
Robert Blackwell Jr.
Chicago, IL 60603
(312) 236-0903
rblackwell@eki-consulting.com
CERTIFICATE DATE: 6/20/22
HOME REGION: Non-WI
WORK CLASSIFICATION: Site Trailer Provision Services
(Information Technology)
NAICS CODE: 541512 - Computer software consulting services or consultants

Love Is Patient Medical Supplies, LLC
Latia Ference
Milwaukee, WI 53218
(414) 215-5501
tiaference@yahoo.com
CERTIFICATE DATE: 6/22/22
HOME REGION: SE
WORK CLASSIFICATION: Supplier of online medical supplies and equipment
NAICS CODE: 423450 - Medical, Dental, and Hospital Equipment and Supplies Merchant Wholesalers

Pantera Trucking, LLC
Ismael Ordaz
Brown Deer, WI 53209
(414) 477-2198
yeysi05@gmail.com
CERTIFICATE DATE: 6/22/22
HOME REGION: SE
WORK CLASSIFICATION: Trucking
NAICS CODE: 484220 - Specialized Freight (Except Used Goods) Trucking, Local

All Star Transport, LLC
Francisco Carrillo
Milwaukee, WI 53215
(414) 491-1506
francisco.carr@icloud.com
CERTIFICATE DATE: 6/29/22
HOME REGION: SE
WORK CLASSIFICATION: Dump Trucking
NAICS CODE: 484220 - Specialized Freight (Except Used Goods) Trucking, Local

Alfaro & Son’s Contractors, LLC
Vincente Alfaro
Kenosha, WI 53143
(262) 308-8152
alfarocontractors@gmail.com
CERTIFICATE DATE: 6/30/22
HOME REGION: SE
WORK CLASSIFICATION: Incidental Construction (Clearing & Grubbing)
NAICS CODE: 238910 - Site Preparation Contractors

Trinity Freight Services, LLC
Towana Bryant
Fresno, TX 77545
(281) 431-0011
logistics@trinityfreightservices.com
CERTIFICATE DATE: 7/08/22
HOME REGION: Non-WI
WORK CLASSIFICATION: Box Trucks; Logistics; Shipping & Handling
NAICS CODE: 488510 - Freight Transportation Arrangement

Shaw’s Trucking, LLC
Jermaine Shaw
Milwaukee, WI 53218
414-745-3057
shawstrucking414@gmail.com
CERTIFICATE DATE: 7/27/22
HOME REGION: SE
WORK CLASSIFICATION: Trucking
NAICS CODE: 484220 - Specialized Freight (Except Used Goods) Trucking, Local

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MILWAUKEE COUNTY

Fly Away Foods
Devika Maini
Brea, CA 92823
(714) 612-3411
mainicorp@gmail.com
CERTIFICATE DATE: 5/3/2022
HOME REGION: Non-WI
WORK CLASSIFICATION: Food Service Contractors
NAICS CODE: 722310 - Food Service Contractors

Black Orchid Research
Dwayne Marks
Milwaukee, WI 53227
(414) 315-9914
blackorchidresearch@gmail.com
CERTIFICATE DATE: 5/16/2022
HOME REGION: SE
WORK CLASSIFICATION: Professional Services (Business Management)
NAICS CODE: 541611 - Business Management Consulting

OMG Its Gluten Free
Julie Scianna
Frankfort, IL 60423
(815) 469-4900
info@omgitsglutenfree.com
CERTIFICATE DATE: 5/16/2022
HOME REGION: Non-WI
WORK CLASSIFICATION: Bakery Products
NAICS CODE: 424490 - Bakery Products (except frozen) merchant wholesalers

SBS Tax LLC
Ruth Shibilski
Pewaukee, WI 53072
(262) 912-1310
sbstaxllc@gmail.com
CERTIFICATE DATE: 5/23/2022
HOME REGION: SE
WORK CLASSIFICATION: Professional Services (Administrative)
NAICS CODE: 561410 - Document Preparation Service

Lucid Logistics
Evans Kohn
Columbia, SC 29210
(803) 422-1519
evans@lucid2020.com
CERTIFICATE DATE: 5/27/2022
HOME REGION: Non-WI
WORK CLASSIFICATION: Box Trucks; Logistics; Shipping & Handling
NAICS CODE: 424720 - Petroleum Bulk Stations and Terminals

Aloekui, LLC
Rita Estremera
Milwaukee, WI 53205
(414) 399-0979
info@aloekui.com
CERTIFICATE DATE: 6/17/2022
HOME REGION: SE
WORK CLASSIFICATION: Non Construction Manufacturing
NAICS CODE: 3256 - Soap, cleaning compound and toilet prep manufacturing

WisDOT Office of Business Opportunity and Equity Compliance has a new logo for the DBE Program and WisDOT certified firms to use for their business marketing needs. WisDOT DBE firms are free to use the logo on their emails, websites, etc.

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- Networking Reception

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