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COMMISSIONER OF ADMINISTRATION

MEMORANDUM

TO: All Heads of Departments and Agencies, Colleges and Universities, Boards and Commissions, Undersecretaries, and Hudson and Veteran Initiative Coordinators – State of Louisiana

FROM: Jay Dardenne, Commissioner of Administration 

DATE: October 14, 2022

SUBJECT: Establishment of Goal for the Hudson and Veteran Initiatives

I am pleased to announce that a combined statewide expenditure goal for the Hudson and Veteran Small Entrepreneurship Initiatives has been established for Fiscal Year 2023. Our goal is to have a 2% growth rate of qualified state expenditures paid to small entrepreneurships that have been certified by the Department of Economic Development under these initiatives. As in the prior year, this will continue to be a combined goal for both initiatives.

To promote success in accomplishing the combined, statewide goal, I am asking that agencies utilize to the maximum extent possible the following opportunities:

- 1) In all tie-bid situations, where there are two bids that are equal in terms of quality and price and one bidder is certified under either initiative, the fact that one bidder is so certified should be a primary consideration in breaking the tie.
- 2) Executive Order JBE 2020-21 governing small purchases which in part waives the requirement of soliciting three quotations when making purchases not to exceed \$30,000 per transaction from a small entrepreneurship certified under either initiative when the price is determined to be reasonable.
- 3) Applicable contracting language should be included whenever appropriate in Requests for Proposals. **This language must be included in all Requests for Proposals unless such inclusion will jeopardize funding for the procurement.** Language to be used can be found at <https://www.doa.la.gov/media/naahenge/rfplanguage.pdf>.

I continue to welcome your suggestions, recommendations, and comments relative to how we can make these programs a success. Your continued active support of the overall mission of these initiatives to involve certified Louisiana-based small entrepreneurships in procurement and contracting opportunities is vital to the success of the program. Thank you for your usual cooperation. If you have any questions, please contact Amanda McClinton at 225-342-5524 or Amanda.McClinton@la.gov.

See attached document for your agency/department-specific goals.

**2022-23 Hudson and Veteran Initiatives-Percent of Department Avail. Budget for Hudson, VSE
and DVSE
(With FY23 Growth Target)**

Department	FY23 Department Available Budget*	FY22 Hudson, VSE & DVSE Expenditures Combined	FY23 2% Growth Target
01-100 Governor's Office (Executive Office)	\$2,079,058	\$39,706	\$41,581
01-102 Office of Inspector General	\$45,045	\$0	\$901
01-103 Mental Health Advocacy Service	\$232,177	\$747	\$4,644
01-106 Louisiana Tax Commission	\$527,430	\$5,356	\$10,549
01-107 Division of Administration	\$196,214,859	\$1,747,709	\$3,924,297
01-109 Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority	\$139,202,228	\$2,977,042	\$3,036,583
*01-111 Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness	\$281,181	\$16,299,193	\$16,625,177
01-112 Department of Military Affairs	\$46,949,869	\$6,267,985	\$6,393,345
*01-115 Facility Planning and Control	N/A	\$4,364,245	\$4,451,530
01-116 Louisiana Public Defender Board	\$14,190,839	\$0	\$283,817
01-129 Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement	\$3,254,805	\$390,948	\$398,767
01-133 Office of Elderly Affairs	\$263,118	\$53,319	\$54,385
01-254 Louisiana State Racing Commission	\$799,179	\$857	\$15,984
01-255 Office of Financial Institutions	\$1,049,035	\$2,154	\$20,981
03. Veterans Affairs	\$15,932,586	\$174,911	\$318,652
04-139 Secretary of State	\$14,877,396	\$315,173	\$321,476
04-141 Office of the Attorney General	\$20,525,613	\$58,911	\$410,512
04-147 State Treasurer	\$1,931,093	\$207,129	\$211,272
04-158 Public Service Commission	\$607,767	\$43,724	\$44,598
04-160 Agriculture and Forestry	\$10,732,980	\$57,872	\$214,660
04-165 Commissioner of Insurance	\$7,969,945	\$1,841,858	\$1,878,695
05. Economic Dev.	\$11,831,656	\$2,783,726	\$2,839,401
06. Culture, Rec., Tourism	\$48,820,203	\$12,405,894	\$12,654,012
07. DOTD	\$183,563,585	\$2,964,221	\$3,671,272
08. Corrections	\$292,875,124	\$1,008,752	\$5,857,502
08. Juvenile Justice	\$7,057,348	\$688,493	\$702,263
08. Public Safety	\$49,588,717	\$705,477	\$991,774
09. Health and Hospitals	\$504,040,836	\$6,648,311	\$10,080,817
10. DCFS	\$45,244,357	\$230,792	\$904,887
11. Natural Resources	\$20,748,827	\$109,619	\$414,977
12. Revenue	\$8,774,300	\$112,073	\$175,486
13. DEQ	\$13,226,517	\$1,690,791	\$1,724,607
14. Workforce Comm.	\$85,269,873	\$1,604,176	\$1,705,397
16. Wildlife & Fisheries	\$43,743,565	\$1,810,456	\$1,846,665
17. Civil Service	\$1,202,132	\$12,559	\$24,043
19. DOE, Schools	\$189,387,664	\$2,637,770	\$3,787,753
*19. Higher Ed	N/A	*\$15,864,373	*\$16,181,660

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(With FY23 Growth Target)**

Department	FY23 Department Available Budget*	FY22 Hudson, VSE & DVSE Expenditures Combined	FY23 2% Growth Target
21. Division of Administrative Law	\$1,174,894	\$25,019	\$25,519
21. Federal Property Assistance	\$2,213,068	\$0	\$44,261
21. LA Property Assistance Agency	\$1,660,324	\$0	\$33,206
21. Office of Aircraft Services	\$1,742,153	\$0	\$34,843
21. Office of Group Benefits	\$69,993,504	\$0	\$1,399,870
21. Office of Risk Management	\$44,762,155	\$417	\$895,243
21. Office of State Procurement	\$446,549	\$12,193	\$12,437
21. Office of Technology Services	\$562,575,301	\$8,615,593	\$11,251,506
TOTALS	\$2,667,608,855	\$78,915,171	\$99,740,147

*01-111 Target relative to COVID-19 and Hurricane Ida expenditures in FY22.

*01-115 Facility Planning and Control budget detail not available.

*19. Higher Education based on self-reported FY21 expenditure data due to reporting capabilities. *(Not included in Expenditure and Growth Target totals)*

*Available Budget calculation based on LaGov budget spread detail.