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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 18, 2021

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 2022. 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.

**2021-22 Hudson and Veteran Initiatives-Percent of Department Avail. Budget for Hudson, VSE and DVSE
(With FY22 Growth Target)**

Department	FY22 Department Available Budget	FY21 Hudson, VSE & DVSE Expenditures Combined	FY22 2% Growth Target
01-100 Governor's Office (Executive Office)	\$1,881,932	\$20,445	\$37,639
01-102 Office of Inspector General	\$44,462		\$889
01-103 Mental Health Advocacy Service	\$214,677	\$392	\$4,294
01-106 Louisiana Tax Commission	\$457,430	\$7,238	\$9,149
01-107 Division of Administration	\$189,571,069	\$2,194,436	\$3,791,421
01-109 Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority	\$128,163,221	\$1,972,306	\$2,563,264
*01-111 Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness	\$202,685	\$4,272,890	\$4,358,348
01-112 Department of Military Affairs	\$52,038,826	\$9,794,872	\$1,040,777
*01-115 Facility Planning and Control	N/A	\$4,600,870	\$4,692,888
01-116 Louisiana Public Defender Board	\$11,690,556	\$96	\$233,811
01-129 Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement	\$2,859,772	\$175,987	\$179,507
01-133 Office of Elderly Affairs	\$263,118	\$49,500	\$5,262
01-254 Louisiana State Racing Commission	\$648,626	\$200	\$12,973
01-255 Office of Financial Institutions	\$1,018,873	\$1,267	\$20,377
03. Veterans Affairs	\$12,179,944	\$154,854	\$243,599
04-139 Secretary of State	\$13,888,152	\$173,480	\$277,763
04-141 Office of the Attorney General	\$16,230,565	\$37,122	\$324,611
04-147 State Treasurer	\$1,985,278	\$1,042,637	\$39,706
04-158 Public Service Commission	\$596,770	\$8,006	\$11,935
04-160 Agriculture and Forestry	\$10,388,830	\$23,073	\$207,777
04-165 Commissioner of Insurance	\$7,128,656	\$1,858,257	\$1,895,422
05. Economic Dev.	\$12,972,354	\$1,383,745	\$2,566,691
06. Culture, Rec., Tourism	\$52,080,925	\$5,059,472	\$5,160,661
07. DOTD	\$161,895,781	\$2,994,499	\$3,237,916
08. Corrections	\$286,443,693	\$477,644	\$5,728,874
08. Juvenile Justice	\$6,450,379	\$737,784	\$129,008
08. Public Safety	\$43,317,601	\$145,012	\$866,352
09. Health and Hospitals	\$519,795,461	\$2,537,046	\$10,395,909
10. DCFS	\$40,985,240	\$118,090	\$819,705
11. Natural Resources	\$12,898,402	\$118,561	\$257,968
12. Revenue	\$8,356,124	\$57,857	\$167,122
13. DEQ	\$11,355,105	\$1,875,087	\$1,912,589
14. Workforce Comm.	\$109,731,235	\$2,166,022	\$2,194,625
16. Wildlife & Fisheries	\$34,796,485	\$2,293,466	\$2,339,335
17. Civil Service	\$1,393,426	\$10,731	\$27,869
19. DOE, Schools	\$179,466,585	\$1,683,942	\$3,589,332
*19. Higher Ed	N/A	*\$8,342,952	\$8,509,811

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and DVSE
(With FY22 Growth Target)**

Department	FY22 Department Available Budget	FY21 Hudson, VSE & DVSE Expenditures Combined	FY22 2% Growth Target
21. Division of Administrative Law	\$821,463	\$41,745	\$42,580
21. Federal Property Assistance	\$2,230,938		\$44,619
21. LA Property Assistance Agency	\$1,521,930		\$30,439
21. Office of Aircraft Services	\$1,760,053	\$308	\$35,201
21. Office of Group Benefits	\$69,484,634		\$1,389,693
21. Office of Risk Management	\$44,762,155	\$140	\$895,243
21. Office of State Procurement	\$453,647	\$16,622	\$16,954
21. Office of Technology Services	\$402,760,363	\$7,122,726	\$8,055,207
TOTALS	\$2,457,187,421	\$55,228,427	\$78,365,115

*01-111 Target relative to COVID-19 expenditures in FY21

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

*19. Higher Education based on self-reported FY20 expenditure data due to reporting capabilities. (Not included in total)