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## **Prioritize Small-Scale Manufacturing in USA**

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Makers of everything from food to hardware to components for bigger companies need a boost, which better state and local policies could provide.

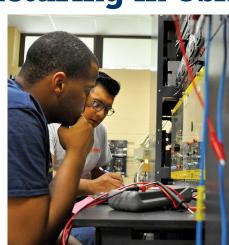
Our on-again, off-again trade wars have an underlying theme: that tariffs on imports will boost domestic manufacturing. The assumption is that more United States-based large-scale manufacturing, like auto plants, will quickly scale up, but that kind of manufacturing takes years to plan and build, and economic uncertainty undercuts the potential. The far greater opportunity lies in small-scale manufacturing, which can ramp up quickly and broadly, as it did in response to COVID-19 supply-chain disruptions. Prioritizing small-scale manufacturing with specific initiatives should be a national priority.

Much of the sweeping tariff regime that President Donald Trump announced on April 2 is now on hold, and at this writing it's impossible to predict how things might play out in the months to come. But when those tariffs were announced,

the White House emphasized that "increasing domestic manufacturing is critical to United States national security" and underscored the importance of large-scale manufacturing, saying that "the need to maintain a resilient domestic manufacturing capacity is particularly acute in advanced sectors like autos, shipbuilding, pharmaceuticals, transport equipment, technology products, machine tools, and basic and fabricated metals." That focus on large-scale production is to be

expected, but it overlooks the vital importance of small-scale manufacturing on many levels. It's small-scale manufacturers that can adapt quickly to meet short-term needs by applying their skills and expertise to new requirements. Small-scale manufacturing businesses create

products—from artisan crafts to food to hardware and components for advanced manufacturing—that are sold both to consumers and to larger businesses. Since these companies can emerge from the talents and heritage of any community, they can arise anywhere, not just in communities that can attract major production facilities. Benefits spread broadly.



Small-scale manufacturers are also nimble. Because of their scale, they are able to adapt and adjust quickly, as they did during the pandemic. Nearly overnight, consortiums of small product businesses turned out many thousands of pieces

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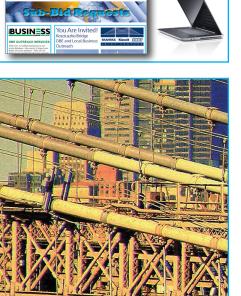
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RFP FOR BUILDING SECURITY ENHANCEMENTS

CONTRACTORS AND VENDORS Advanced Building Security Enhancements Project, Brooklyn, New York

RFP Contract(s) Expression of Interest Due: April 18, 2025

Description of project: Our nonprofit organization in Brownstone Brooklyn is seeking vendors and companies with

a background in security enhancements for a project to upgrade our building. The advanced security measures we are implementing focus on strengthening our building's perimeter and securing all vulnerable entry points. This includes ballistic-grade proofing for windows and doors, security cameras and emergency alarm systems, as well as modifications to our main entrances and security station to improve access control. We are looking to partner with contractors and vendors that have expertise in ballistic protection and customized solutions, while offering cost-effective proposals that align with our existing security systems and adhere to the projected work schedule. Experience working with places of worship and/or historical buildings is strongly preferred, as is a certified Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise (MWBE) vendor. All interested firms should contact bhssecops@gmail.com by Friday, April 18, for specifications and bid requirements, which are to be made through a sealed bidding process.



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IS CURRENTLY SOLICITING COST PROPOSALS FROM QUALIFIED AND CERTIFIED M/WBE AND SDVOB SUBCONTRACTORS, VENDORS, SERVICE PROVIDERS Design-Build Services for the Main Cable Dehumidification at the

Verrazzano Narrows Bridge in the Borough of New York Project MTA Construction and Development Contract No. VN-8Q Bid Date: April 23, 2025 **Description of work:** 

1. Installation of a main cable dehumidification system on the four cables of the Verrazzano Narrows Bridge; 2. Replacement of the cable band bolts throughout all four main cables;

3. Internal main cable inspection of 12 panels; 4. Internal inspection of four additional main cable panels as directed by the PCEO;

5. Replacement of the messenger cables on the main cables;6. Replacement of the aerial obstruction lights and supports on the main cables;

- 7. Installation and removal of temporary main cable access platforms necessary to perform the work; 8. Provide maintenance and protection of traffic throughout the project; 9. Installation of an acoustic monitoring system on all four cables;
- 10. Replacement and painting of all hand ropes and stanchions on all four cables; 11. Maintenance and monitoring of the main cable dehumidification system for five (5) years after commissioning and system acceptance; and
- 12. Maintenance and monitoring of the acoustic monitoring system for 5 years after commissioning and system acceptance. **Goals: 15% MBE, 15% WBE, 6% SDVOB**
- ALL QUOTATIONS ARE DUE BY CLOSE OF BUSINESS Friday, April 18, 2025. Proposal bid date April 23, 2025. For further information concerning subcontracting and/or

purchasing opportunities, and to register as a subcontractor or vendor, please respond to solicitations@tutorperini.com or contact Arlene McBayne at (914) 739-1908. Come and join our team!

Description of project:

site utilities.

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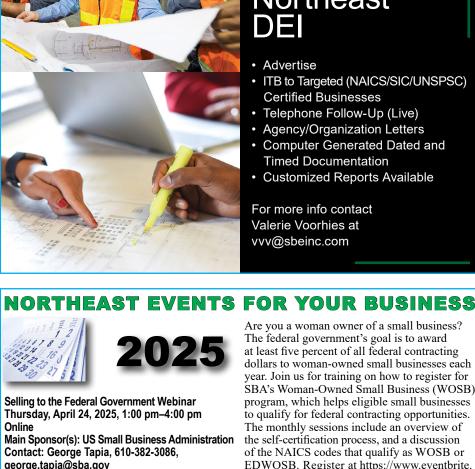
Design-Build Services for LIRR West Side Yard Flood Mitigation Measures MTA Construction and Development Contract No. 6401 Bid Date: June 27, 2025

Design, furnish, construct, and install concrete perimeter flood walls, seepage cut-off barriers below the concrete flood walls, flood gates, deployable flood barriers, sump pumps, a tide gate chamber, drainage system improvements, workable aisles and a diesel generator, an automatic

This project will develop flood protection solutions for the West Side Yard in order to prevent and mitigate flooding of the LIRR Tunnels. The flood protection along the WSY perimeter will

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transfer switch, ancillary electrical equipment, and required communications. be accomplished via a combination of permanent flood walls and deployable flood barriers.

Many bidding opportunities are available: deep foundations, minipiles, jetgrout, sheeting, rebar

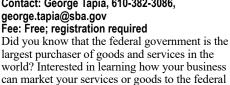
installation, concrete supply, site work, electrical work, painting, paving, curb and sidewalk,

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government? Register online at https://www.

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Business Certifications, Finding Opportunities, Marketing Your Firm, Federal Supply Schedules, Getting Paid, Tips to Prepare Your Offer, How to Seek Additional Assistance. All training sessions are held via Microsoft Teams Meeting.

Federal Contracting: Woman-Owned Small Business (WOSB) Certification Program Webinar Tuesday, May 20, 2025, 2:00 pm-4:00 pm Online

Main Sponsor(s): US Small Business Administration Contact: Patrice Dozier, patrice.dozier@sba.gov Fee: Free; registration required

Are you a woman owner of a small business? The federal government's goal is to award at least five percent of all federal contracting dollars to woman-owned small businesses each year. Join us for training on how to register for SBA's Woman-Owned Small Business (WOSB) program, which helps eligible small businesses to qualify for federal contracting opportunities. The monthly sessions include an overview of the self-certification process, and a discussion of the NAICS codes that qualify as WOSB or EDWOSB. Register at https://www.eventbrite. com/e/woman-owned-small-business-wosbcertification-program-tickets-1117070520999

8(a) Orientation and SAM Registration Webinar Wednesday, May 21, 2025, 10:30 am-12:00 pm Online Main Sponsor(s): US Small Business Administration Contact: SBA Illinois District Office, 312-353-4528,

illinois.do@sba.gov Fee: Free; registration required Join the Small Business Administration (SBA) Illinois District Office for a virtual workshop

providing an overview of the 8(a) Business Development program, eligibility requirements, and program benefits. Also learn how to increase your potential for federal contract opportunities through System for Award Management (SAM) registration, including information that you need for the registration process. SBA presenters will offer addional tips, address FAQs, give directions on where to get further assistance, and answer your other questions. For this and other events, one goal is to better address the needs of attending current and soon-to-be business owners. To register for this free webinar, visit https://www.sba.gov/event/65219

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