

A CMHA MBE/FBE is:

1. 51 percent owned, operated and controlled by U.S. citizens in specific minority groups
2. In business for at least one year
3. Operate in one of 6 counties:

Cuyahoga	Lake
Lorain	Summit
Medina	Geauga

Recognized Minority Designations :

- Female*
- African American*
- Hispanic American*
- Asian-Indian American (India, Pakistan or Bangladesh)*
- Asian-Pacific (Japan, China, Philippines, Vietnam)*
- Native American Hasidic Jew*

A Certified Section 3 Enterprise is:

1. 51% or more owned by a Section 3 resident; or
2. Permanent, full-time employees include persons at least 30% of whom are currently Section 3 residents; or
3. A business that subcontracts in excess of 25% of the award dollar amount to businesses as defined in 1 and 2 above.

CMHA is committed to making procurement and contracting opportunities available to Minority and Female Business Enterprises (MBE/FBE) without discrimination. Businesses awarded contracts by CMHA are required to meet the Authority's inclusion goals, which state that 20% of the work must be completed by a certified MBE, and 10% of the work must be completed by a certified FBE. Businesses with minorities or females having at least 51% ownership are eligible to be certified.



*Advancing inclusion.
Achieving results.™*

Formally adopted by the CMHA Board of Commissioners in 2007, the Section 3 program is meant to foster local economic development, neighborhood economic improvement, and individual self-sufficiency. The Section 3 program allows for CMHA to provide job training, employment, and contract opportunities for low- or very-low income residents in connection with projects and activities in their neighborhoods.

CMHA's Inclusion staff addresses the needs of certified businesses by identifying contracting and purchasing opportunities, identifying financial resources, providing support, technical assistance and general information.

There is an agreement between CMHA, Cuyahoga County and the City of Cleveland for Section 3 certification. If your business is certified by any one of these organizations, your business will be listed as Section 3 certified with the other two.

CMHA has been recognized as one of the top 50 organizations in Northeast Ohio for its progress in creating, enhancing, and sustaining diversity and inclusion strategies.

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Doing **BUSINESS** with CMHA

INCLUSION PROGRAMS

Minority Business Enterprise
MBE

Female Business Enterprise
FBE

Section 3 Program

S3P



Inclusion Is Priority

The Board of Commissioners of the Cuyahoga Metropolitan Housing Authority (CMHA) formally adopted and have overseen organizational inclusion efforts since December 7, 1994.

CMHA actively implements the following programs

- Minority Business Enterprise (MBE)
- Female Business Enterprise (FBE), and
 - Section 3 Programs (S3P)

The purpose of the programs is to help foster local economic development, neighborhood economic improvement, and individual self-sufficiency. The programs afford maximum participation in all contracting and procurement opportunities for certified MBE, FBE, and Section 3 Enterprises to the greatest extent feasible.

The CMHA goal for inclusion is:

20 percent MBE

10 Percent FBE, and

Section 3

Construction 10%

Professional Services 3%

Why Do Business with CMHA

Did you know that CMHA is one of our country's largest public housing authorities? Consistently recognized by National Public Housing groups, CMHA has developed, and built housing that is redefining low-income communities.

CMHA purchases products and services each year. As such, CMHA is driven to procure quality services that help not only assist us in providing safe, affordable and quality housing, but which also contributes to local economic development.

CMHA is committed to inclusion and encourages minority participation in ALL of our contracts.

Products and Services We Purchase

Legal	Training	Landscaping
IT	Uniforms	Paint Products
Telecommunications		Playground Equip.
Building Maintenance		Document Mgmt.
Relocation Services		Laundry equip.

All phases of New, Renovated and Repair
Construction & Development

Getting Started

How can I find out about CMHA business opportunities?

Visit our purchasing web site and sign-up to receive email notifications on public solicitations specific to your interests.

www.cmha.net/purchasing

Call our inclusion office **216-271-2064** to request an application, arrange a time to meet, or to learn about one of our upcoming matchmaker sessions.

Where can I find more information about becoming a certified MBE, FBE, and/or Section 3 Enterprise with CMHA?

Information can be obtained on the "Doing Business with CMHA" tab of the CMHA web site:

www.cmha.net.

Online you can find MBE, FBE and Section 3 certification applications and our certified vendor listing.

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