

Become certified today with the **Hudson** or **Veteran** Initiatives to gain increased access to state contracts and purchasing opportunities

Louisiana's Hudson Initiative is a certification program designed to help eligible Louisiana small businesses gain greater access to purchasing and contracting opportunities that are available at the State government level.

The program is open to all Louisiana businesses that meet eligibility requirements. Visit OpportunityLouisiana.com/Hudson-Initiative for eligibility guidelines and to access the online application.



SMALL PURCHASES EXECUTIVE ORDER BENEFITS

The new Small Purchases Executive Order 2020 JBE 21 waives the requirement of multiple quotes for small purchases of less than \$30,000 if a certified company submits a quote that is reasonable.

- No quotes required for purchases from \$0 to \$10,000
- Removes requirement for 3 quotes for purchases from \$10,000 to \$20,000
- Removes requirement for 5 quotes for purchases from \$20,000 to \$30,000

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) BENEFITS

- 10% of the total evaluation points can be added to a certified Hudson company's bid on a RFP
- For the Veteran Initiative, 12% points can be added to a certified Veteran company's on a RFP
- Prime contractors who use certified Small Entrepreneurships as a subcontractor on a bid for an RFP are also eligible to receive additional percentage points on their bid
- Business and contact information will be accessible to State purchasing officials and prime contractors looking for subcontractors

