



News Release

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Durham Offers Free Small Business Training on Finding Contract & Procurement Opportunities

What: Where's the Work? – Finding Opportunities in 2018

Who: City of Durham Equal Opportunity/Equity Assurance Department

When: Saturday, March 24, 2018, from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Where: Durham County North Regional Library, 221 Milton Rd., Durham, N.C. 27712

Fast Facts:

- Representatives from the City of Durham, Durham County, and the Institute of Minority Economic Development will demonstrate how to navigate multiple information platforms to discover contract and procurement opportunities that are available in 2018.
- Attendees will also discover strategies for building sustainable partnerships and an understanding of recent market trends as well as receive information on how to participate in Business Opportunity and Technical Assistance Programs available to small business owners.
- Participants are asked to pre-register for this free training seminar by contacting Senior Equal Opportunity/Equity Assurance Specialist Eric Miller by [email](#) or at (919) 560-4180, ext. 17241.

About the Equal Opportunity/Equity Assurance Department

The City of Durham [Equal Opportunity/Equity Assurance Department](#) (EO/EA) is responsible for the implementation of the City's Equal Business Opportunity Program. Responsibilities include implementation of race and gender neutral measures to facilitate the participation of Underutilized Business Enterprises (UBEs) in contracting activity with the City. The department also administers the Small Local Business Enterprise Program (SLBE) which works to increase employment opportunities for residents through recruitment, certification, and maintenance of the SLBE data bank, business development, City project compliance, monitoring, and reporting. Guided by the City's [Strategic Plan](#), the department ensures that its services support making Durham a great place to live, work, and play by focusing on a strong and diverse economy, assuring that City efforts are innovative and high-performing, and supporting the stewardship of the City's physical and environmental assets.

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