



News Release

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Durham Offers Professional Service Firms Evening Out

What: Professional Service Firms Evening Out

Who: City of Durham Equal Opportunity/Equity Assurance Department, Durham County's Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise Programs, The Institute, and the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT)

When: Thursday, December 6, 2018, from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Where: City Hall Council Chambers, 101 City Hall Plaza, First Floor, Durham, N.C. 27701

Fast Facts:

- Attendees are invited to connect with other architectural, engineering, and surveying professionals and discover business opportunities on the horizon for 2019. Representatives from the City of Durham, Durham County, The Institute, and the NCDOT will also demonstrate how to navigate multiple information platforms to identify which professional service projects are anticipated for next year.
- Attendees are encouraged to come prepared to engage with expectations of forging new partnerships. Light refreshments will also be served. Attendees are asked to RSVP for this free event 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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