

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA OFFICE DEPARTMENTAL NEWSLETTER SUPPLIER DIVERSITY

SUPPLIER SPOTLIGHT

Urban Design Perspectives

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Background of the Firm

Founded in 1999 by Alicia Belton, Urban Design Perspectives is a Minneapolis based architecture, project management and community engagement firm that creates equitable and sustainable spaces in the built environment.

Capability Statement

Urban Design Perspectives specializes in the adaptive reuse of places where people live, work, recreate and worship. These include housing, workplace, hospitality and churches. Core Competencies:

- -Organization of people and spaces to optimize performance
- Plan focus on function, flexibility and adaptability to accommodate growth
 - Design driven toward sustainability
- Developer of cultural consensus to enhance workplace experience
- Building of diverse and inclusive project teams that generate equitable perspectives
- Development of stakeholder project consensus to vision As an AIA 2030 Signatory firm, UDP evaluates the impact of design on energy performance. The challenge calls for all new buildings, developments and major ren-

ovations to be carbon neutral In This Issue by 2030. With sustainability in mind, we offer services from programming through design



and construction. Our staff is comprised of individuals who embrace diversity, work-life balance, and a passion for always doing what is right for our clients. As life long learners, we seek creative solutions that reflect our client's values.

Connect with ADP & the Community



Coliseum Building on Lake Street & 27th Avenue Authentic Restoration



Office for **Supplier Diversity**

University of Minnesota

The Office for Supplier Diversity works with businesses owned by women, minorities, and persons with disabilities, and with other underserved businesses, to facilitate their integration into the University supply chain. By providing support to underserved local businesses and connecting them with University purchasers, The Office for Supplier Diversity leverages the University's resources to build powerful economic partnerships in our communities.

With a deep understanding of creating equity in the built environment, Urban Design Perspectives has spearheaded multiple projects around the state of Minnesota including projects for the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, studies on Greek housing on campus and project vision alignment through community engagement workshops. Connect with this certified WBE through the OSD Targeted Business Directory to discover more of how Urban Design Perspectives is connecting equity, environment, and the economic impact.

> Learn more about the Urban Design Perspectives at www.urbandesignperspectives.com

UPCOMING EVENTS

24th Annual SADBOC Government Procurement Fair

Get a Piece of the Action:

Small businesses interested in doing business with government agencies and prime contractors are encouraged to attend this Trade Fair.

Coupling education with marketing strategies, this event will provide small businesses an opportunity to meet with representatives from more than 60 Federal, State and local agencies, commercial/prime contractors, and nonprofit organizations; access available technical assistance; and learn about upcoming contracts.

The 20th Annual SADBOC Government Procurement Fair is sponsored by the Federal Executive Board's Small and Disadvantaged Business Opportunities Council, in cooperation with the State of Minnesota's Procurement Technical Assistance Center.

Event Details:

Small businesses have the opportunity to be matched with a government or corporate buyer interested in their particular product/service.

Earle Brown Heritage Center 6155 Earle Brown Drive, Brooklyn Center, MN

4/20/23, 9:00am - 3:00pm

Additional information including exhibitors and workshops will be available at www.mn.gov/admin/ptac and on social media at www.facebook.com/sadboc



Want to register? Click the link below https://www.eventbrite.com/e/24th-annual-sadboc-government-procurement-fair-tickets-551548114257

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GSC Lavender Celebration

Lavender Celebration is the Gender and Sexuality Center for Queer and Trans Life's annual celebration of all LGBTQIA+ graduates at the University of Minnesota - Twin Cities. In addition to the celebration of the 2023 graduates, we honor people and organizations doing outstanding work and advocacy on campus and in our community for LGBTQIA+ people through our Leadership and Service Award, Community Excellence Award, and Breaking the

Silence Award. There may be some portions of Lavender Celebration that will be recorded or a picture will be taken for internal purposes only and we will inform all participants before any recording is done. There will be an open mic space for family, friends, and loved ones to share well wishes and affirmation for their graduate during the evening and would love for you or others to share.

If you have any questions, accommodation requests, concerns, or would like clarification on anything please reach out to J Nguyen at nguy2535@umn.edu.

Thursday, April 27th 6:00p.m. - 8:30p.m. CST Whole Music Club, Coffman Memorial Union



More information can be found on Gender and Sexuality Center for Queer and Trans Life Program page.