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DEN Announces Business Development Training Academy ***This First Ever Series to Help Small Business Gain Opportunities at DEN***

DENVER – June 15, 2022 – Denver International Airport (DEN) is seeking certified small business participants for its newest pilot program, the Business Development Training Academy. The training academy will provide small businesses with a systematic approach to entering DEN as a subcontractor in construction, professional services, goods and services, and concessions.

“Through our Center of Excellence and Equity in Aviation (CEEA), we want to provide training and growth opportunities for underutilized businesses and small businesses,” said DEN CEO Phil Washington. “This new pilot program is the first of many opportunities for the small business community that will provide them with the tools and training they need to work at DEN and be successful.”

The academy will help build a pipeline for certified small businesses, from learning about opportunities to graduating from the City’s Division of Small Business Opportunity’s (DSBO) certified small business program. As a result of this series of trainings, DEN hopes to increase the pool of certified firms ready, willing, and able to do work and be successful at DEN. The nine-week series will support small businesses during the lifecycle of their business at DEN by providing trainings at all transitional points of the business.

The training academy will take place Aug. 2 - Sept. 27. Space is limited. Businesses must be able to commit to the full nine-week program; be a certified small firm in good standing with the City and County of Denver; have no experience at DEN or newly attained a project at DEN; be within the A/E/C Industry, including design, engineering, construction, professional services, and goods and services.

Sessions will be held once a week. There are two sessions available for businesses to choose from: Tuesday in-person classes (starting Aug. 9) and Thursday virtual classes (starting Aug. 11). To learn more, visit our [Business Development Training Academy website](#) or email DENTrainingAcademy@flydenver.com.

The deadline to apply is July 15. To apply, [click here](#).

The Business Development Training Academy is a part of DEN’s Vision 100 and is hosted under CEEA, a first of its kind in the aviation industry, which will help underserved communities and prepare current and future employees for a career in aviation. Learn more about [CEEA here](#).

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