EQUITABLE PROCUREMENT

Denver Health is actively building an equitable procurement initiative to fulfill our charge as an Anchor Institution with regard to helping drive economic mobility in Denver. As the economic climate continues to adversely impact small and at-risk businesses, Denver Health is shifting its spending to focus on impacted businesses as well as businesses that are mission aligned. Equitable procurement is our contribution to help build the wealth of small business owners in Denver.

Current State: Summer 2022

- Shifted 78% of Denver Health Foundation budget for indigent supplies to mission aligned businesses.
- Aligning internal project needs and technology to best support the shift towards equitable procurement.

Future State: Goals 2022-2023

- 75% of new vendors will submit Diversity Self-Certification.
- Establish baseline and set targets to increase spending with impacted businesses.
- Build a network with Denver Office of Economic Development and Opportunity, local CBOs, Denver Anchor Network and ShopBIPOC to share data, best practices, and business partners.
- Build awareness with DHHA requisitioners to drive more purchasing to impacted businesses.
- Actively share best practices with potential sourcing clients that are impacted businesses and with other Anchor Institutions.
- Maximize use of ShopBIPOC.