

# "Big Dreams Small Business" NEWS

## Small Business SDC Releases HUBZone Solicitation

The Small Business Solutions Development Center (SDC) released a solicitation for the **first** multiple award, government-wide agency (GWAC) contract dedicated to information technology industry partners certified in Historically Underutilized Business Zones (HUBZones).

The solicitation, released via FedBizOpps on December 31, 2001, proposes awarding five-year contracts for information technology and network products and services to companies located in HUBZones. Up to 70 contracts will be awarded and divided among 7 functional areas/scopes of work derived from the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) codes shown below.

- 514191 On-Line Information Services
- 514199 All Other Information Services
- 514210 Data Processing Services

- 541511 Custom Computer Programming Services
- 541512 Computer Systems Design Services
- 541513 Computer Facilities Management Services
- 541519 Other Computer Related Services

Business Categories encompassed by the NAICS codes include technologies such as Internet Services, Call Centers, Distance Learning, Video Conferencing, Wiring and Cabling, Network Design, Computer Operations/Support, Network Management, Contingency Planning, Disaster Preparedness/Recovery and Information Assurance.

Businesses interested in participating in the Request For Proposal (RFP) process must meet the HUBZone program criteria: be a small business by SBA size standards; have its principal office located within a HUBZone (including land on federally recognized Indian reservations); be owned and controlled by one or more U.S. citizens; and ensure that at least 35% of its employees reside in a HUBZone.

To locate the solicitation, search under Solicitation No. 6TA-02-MTV-0057 from the FedBizOpps website at [www.fedbizopps.gov](http://www.fedbizopps.gov) or click on the FedBizOpps link from our home page at <http://r6.gsa.gov/fts>. Also, you may use the SBA link to locate more information about the HUBZone program.

### Upcoming Events

- Mar 18-20: 2002 Dept. of Defense Mentor-Protégé Conference, Washington, DC, <http://www.sadbuconferences.com>
- Apr 15-18: GSA Network Services Conference & Expo, Orlando, FL
- Apr 29 - May 2: 2002 Reservation Economic Summit & American Indian Business Trade Fair, New Orleans, LA, <http://www.ncaied.org>
- May 8-10: 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Industry & SBA Procurement Conference, Training & Expo, Washington, DC, <http://www.sba.gov/gc/>
- May 21-23: GSA Federal Supply Service International Products & Services Expo, San Diego, CA, <http://www.expo.gsa.gov>