



Tri-State Tollway (I-294)/I-57 Interchange Outreach

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I-294/I-57 Interchange Outreach Goals

- ▶ Raise awareness of the project
- ▶ Help small and diverse businesses do business with the Tollway
- ▶ Help increase awareness of construction career opportunities

Raising Awareness

- ▶ Media coverage, roadway signage and I-PASS customer communication set the stage
- ▶ Fact sheets about project benefits—creating jobs, improving mobility and access, saving drivers time and fuel, as well as information about smaller contracts, I-PASS, all-electronic tolling and maps posted online
- ▶ Project newsletter in development
- ▶ Project office now open in Oak Forest
- ▶ Ongoing meetings with legislators and community groups
- ▶ First quarterly briefing with local elected officials was held July 11
- ▶ First community town hall meeting in August

Doing Business with the Tollway

- ▶ The Tollway's Diversity and Strategic Development Department hosted a series of focus groups and conducted more than 20 meetings gathering feedback from diverse organizations
- ▶ Goal to increase access to economic opportunities for small businesses, including minority- and women-owned and disadvantaged business enterprises
- ▶ Areas of focus included unbundling of larger contracts, bonding and insurance, training and technical assistance and communication of opportunities

Doing Business with the Tollway

Efforts to help small and diverse businesses:

- ▶ Unbundling contracts
- ▶ Two networking events attracted more than 400 participants
- ▶ Construction Contracts 101 Training Webinar

Projects under development:

- ▶ Small Business Program
- ▶ Bonding Initiative



294/57 Interchange Unbundled Contracts

Potential Contract	Approximate Value	Tentative Bid Advertisement Date	Tentative Bid Opening Date
Building demolition	\$1.5 million	Summer 2012	Fall 2012
Tree removal (2-3 contracts)	\$200,000 to \$500,000 (each)	Summer 2012	Fall 2012
Utility relocation and installation	\$400,000	Fall 2012	Spring 2013
Off-system pavement removal and installation	\$350,000	Early 2013	Early 2013
Landscaping (up to 5 contracts)	\$500,000 (each)	Early 2013 (work to occur in 2015)	Early 2013
Pavement reconstruction	\$1.5 million	Fall 2013	Fall 2013