



University of Washington Business Diversity Program

Overview: The Business Diversity Program (BDP) is responsible for the effective implementation of the University of Washington's business diversity initiative. The BDP provides functional guidance, direction and support to the UW Schools and Colleges and Administrative Departments concerning their understanding and activities with the UW's business diversity initiative. Additionally, the BDP seeks to improve communication through strategic business relations with the broader minority and women's business community. The **BDP** reports to the **Office of Strategy Management in Finance and Facilities**.

Vision: The University of Washington will be an academic community strengthened by the utilization of businesses whose ownership is representative of the diverse community we serve.

Mission: We proactively engage with and support the University of Washington's commitment to creating an environment for businesses contracting with the University that reflects diversity, promotes opportunity and values transparency.

The following search tool helps connect staff to a diverse pool of suppliers they can use.

- Diverse Vendor Search (<http://www.washington.edu/admin/bdp/diversevendorsearch.php>)