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Amway Center tops in MWBE participation

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The city of Orlando said Tuesday its Blueprint effort on the downtown venues has put it at the top in the state for including minority- and women-owned business enterprises in large public projects.

About 34.5 percent of the companies involved in the construction of the venues — primarily the \$480 million Amway Center — are MWBEs, according to data released by Mayor Buddy Dyer's office.

The next largest was the \$525 million Phase 5 of the Orange County Convention Center in 2000, which had 28.3 percent MWBE participation, while the \$22 million Florida A&M Law School, built in Orlando in 2007, included a 24 percent participation, the data said.

About \$79 million worth of contracts on the Amway Center have been awarded to MWBEs, including \$64.4 million to minority-owned businesses and nearly \$15.2 million to businesses owned by women.

Dyer released the information at a press conference on Aug. 25.

The city's Blueprint initiative requires contractors on public projects to hire a minimum of 18 percent minority-owned and 6 percent for women-owned subcontractors.

Additionally, the Blueprint's workforce initiative creates jobs for the most underserved and underrepresented populations in Orlando: Parramore residents, ex-offenders and the homeless.

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