



As the weather warms up, pools are preparing to open and crowds are gearing up to head to the beach. National Water Safety Month is the perfect time to ensure you and your family are prepared to spend a fun, safe day by the water.

Swimming is the most popular summer activity. While the best thing you can do to help your family stay safe is to enroll in age-appropriate swim lessons, it is also important to follow these water safety tips whenever you are in or around the water:

- Swim in designated areas supervised by lifeguards.
- Always swim with a buddy.
- Never leave a young child unattended near water.
- Have young children or inexperienced swimmers wear U. S. Coast Guard-approved life jackets – but do not rely on them alone.
- Establish water safety rules for your family – and enforce them.
- Avoid alcohol use. Alcohol impairs judgment, balance and coordination and affects swimming and diving skills.

Supply Chain Management Meeting held for UCOR Staff

In October 2014, UCOR Supply Chain Manager Tim Melberg and Karen Reeve, Small Business Program Manager, attended DOE's Environmental Management Supply Chain Management Advisory Committee (EMSAC) meeting in Kansas City where Wildflower International presented to the group. They were so impressed with Wildflower's presentation that they invited Wildflower International to come speak at UCOR.

Last week Wildflower International sent Carly Rhodeside, Vice President, and Dustin Freels, Alliance Manager, to present to UCOR's Supply Chain Management group. Wildflower is a nationally recognized Information Technology Company. Their President, Kimberly deCastro, started Wildflower in 1991 from her daughter's bedroom. Wildflower delivers world class products and services with a philosophy towards improving itself, its business partners, and its community. Wildflower was a successful graduate of the Small Business Administration's (SBA) 8(a) program in 2005. Offices are located in New Mexico and Tennessee, and Wildflower boasts a 100% mobile workforce spread throughout the nation.

As a SBA HUBZone Certified company, Wildflower operates from the heart. Participation in the communities in which they live is inextricable from their identity. Their core values, mutual respect, gratitude, passion and diversity, govern who they are.

Wildflower shared their story and provided interesting insight as to what goes into utilizing a HUBZone area. Wildflower exemplifies the HUBZone Program principles by hiring in the communities in which they have offices, as well as throughout the country. Besides offering employment opportunities, they work with their employees by teaching them, caring about them and offering important benefits such as health care and tuition. Dustin said, "It's a great feeling when you see the HUBZone employees buy their first home, or when the communities change. You know the Program is working when they change the HUBZone areas because of economic growth."



Carly Rhodeside presents to UCOR group

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UCOR hopes that the presentation hit some of the major components of SBA's Destination: HUB initiative by:

- Explanation of the HUBZone Program to Supply Chain Management Group and UCOR management
- Increasing awareness of successes and needs in the Program
- Explaining that a HUBZone company's principal office and 35% of employees must reside in a HUBZone
- Showing that the SBA regulates and implements the HUBZone program
- Encouraging usage of HUBZone Companies for subcontracting needs



Dustin Freels and Carly Rhodeside

Welcome, Beth Straub



Beth comes to UCOR from CH2M HILL Contractors, Inc., in Englewood, Colorado, where she was a Regional Contracts Manager for the past 9 years. Prior to that, she was a Manager and Procurement Lead at Rocky Flats Closure Site Services, a Division of Jacobs Engineering in Golden, Colorado, supporting the DOE Rocky Flats Closure Project. She also held a variety of Procurement positions under Westinghouse and Fluor at DOE's Fernald Environmental Management Project, prior to the closure of this project.

Beth is an experienced contract specialist with more than 25 years of experience in a full range of procurement actions, ranging from micro purchases to major subcontracts, in both commercial and government nuclear settings. UCOR is very pleased and fortunate to have Beth on our Supply Chain team as a manager who is responsible, organized and team-oriented with strong communication and people skills.

Beth obtained a bachelor of science degree in Business Administration in Marketing from The Ohio State University. Beth, her husband Joe, and their cat Cole are looking forward to their new life in East Tennessee.

Upcoming events

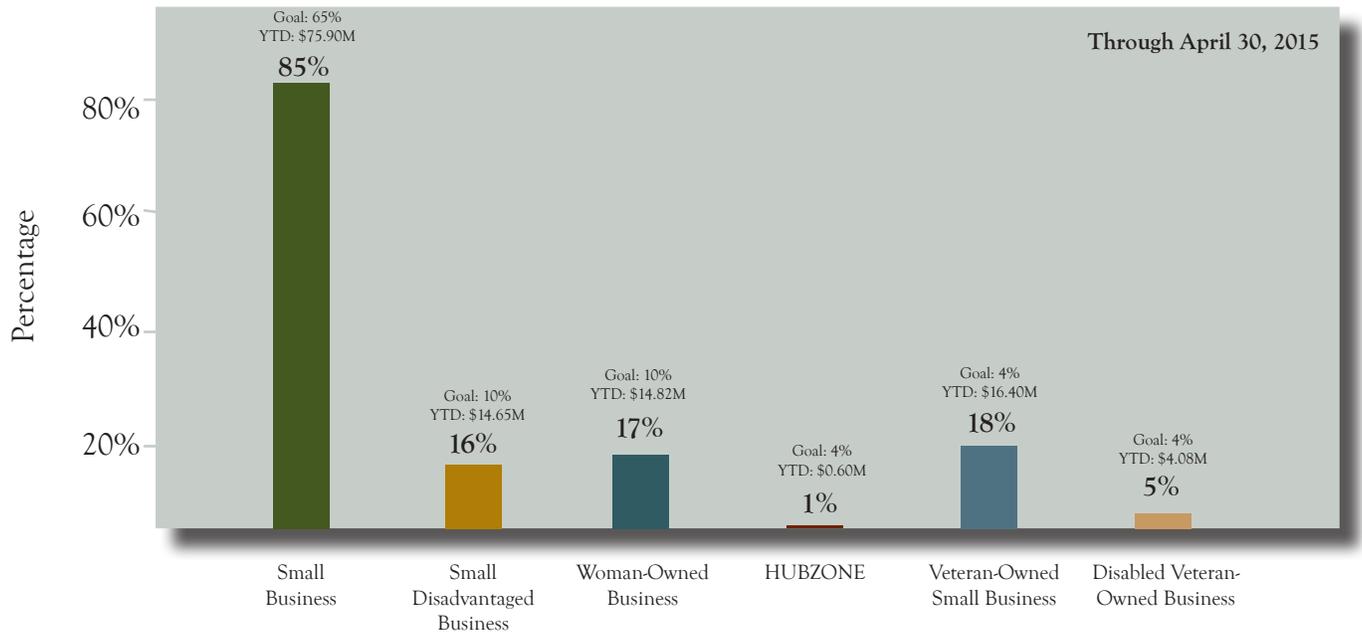
To register for any of these events, please email Jutta Bangs at jbangs@tsbdc.org

- June 18, 2015 - 11:30 am to 1:30 pm - How to Get on the GSA Schedule, held at the Oak Ridge Chamber of Commerce, Oak Ridge
- June 16 - 18, 2015: 14th Annual DOE Small Business Forum and Expo, Phoenix Convention Center, Phoenix, AZ
- June 24, 2015: SBA Procurement Summit in Nashville, TN



UCOR Small Business Statistics

Summary FY 2015: Percent of Subcontract Dollars Placed with Socioeconomic Firms



Inception to Date: Percent of Subcontract Dollars Placed with Socioeconomic Firms

