



## Staying healthy under the hot summer sun

Summer is here, and with it has come some very hot temperatures. Heat stress is a primary concern at this time of the year, especially for people who work outside. Following are some tips for staying healthy during the hot days of summer:

- Drink water every 15 minutes, even if you are not thirsty. Avoid beverages with caffeine and alcohol, which can cause dehydration.
- Rest in the shade to cool down.
- Wear a hat and light-colored clothing.
- Learn the signs of heat illness and what to do in an emergency.
- Keep an eye on your fellow coworkers.

### Contact Information

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## DOE 14th Annual Small Business Forum Held June 16-18 in Phoenix

DOE held its 14th Annual Small Business Forum and Expo from June 16-18 in Phoenix, Arizona. Tim Melberg, UCOR Manager, Supply Chain, and Karen Reeve, UCOR Small Business Program Manager, attended.

The DOE Small Business Program Manager's (SBPM) training was held from 8 a.m. to noon on June 16. This year's training covered acquisition planning, subcontracting plans, and SBPMs roles and responsibilities. Abbey Campbell, SBPM DOE Oak Ridge Office of Science, was the Mistress of Ceremonies. John Hale III, Director Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU), welcomed us and gave opening remarks.



Abbey Campbell, standing, was mistress of ceremonies

The business matchmaking sessions were held from 1 to 4 p.m. Matchmaking allows small businesses the opportunity to have face-to-face meetings with prime contractors and federal agencies to learn about specific contracting and subcontracting opportunities.

Wednesday, June 17, was the Exhibitor move-in and the opening ceremonies. John Hale III welcomed everyone to the expo.

Michele Ruiz, President and CEO of Ruiz Strategies, was the Keynote Speaker, and discussed "How to Win in Business with Transformative Leadership."

Michele Ruiz launched her personal branded company "Michele Ruiz, My Life as a Latino Entrepreneur". Soon after, Fortune 500 companies started asking for her help to grow their businesses. Transformational leaders are generally energetic, enthusiastic, and passionate. Not only are these leaders concerned and involved in the process; they are also focused on helping every member of the group succeed as well.



Michele Ruiz

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Following the Keynote was the FY 2014 Secretarial Small Business Awards Presentation. The Oak Ridge Reservation won the following awards:



### Facility Contractor Procurement Director of the Year

Heidi Timmerman, director of Procurement and Contracts Administration at ORAU (left) receives the Facility Management Contractor Procurement Director of the Year award for fiscal year 2014 from John Hale. The award recognizes ORAU's subcontracting achievements with small business suppliers used to support work performed under the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education contract that ORAU manages for DOE.



### DOE Mentor of the Year

Michael Vermuelen, Supply Chain Management Manager, and Lisa Copeland, both from Y-12 Consolidated Nuclear Solutions, receive the DOE Mentor of the Year award from John Hale. Y-12 has mentored BES Technologies, LLC (BEST), a Service Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business (SDVOSB) formed in 2009 and is currently in its third year as a Protégé to Y-12.

The Exhibit Hall opened at 11:30 a.m. and continued until 4 p.m. with a Welcome Reception from 4 to 6 p.m. At the same time, as the exhibit hall was open, many breakout sessions offered training opportunities for small businesses.

On June 18, a Federal Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business (OSDBU) Director's Session was held, and later in the day, the Exhibit Hall was open. More breakout sessions were held to help everyone understand small businesses. Some of these sessions were ChallengeHER: Understanding the WOSB Set Aside Program, and New Legislative Changes and Social Media Geared to Help the Federal Government; Legal Lessons; and Climate Change and the Impact to Small Businesses. The overall Summit and Expo was fantastic with many companies giving a thumbs up for all the opportunities available.



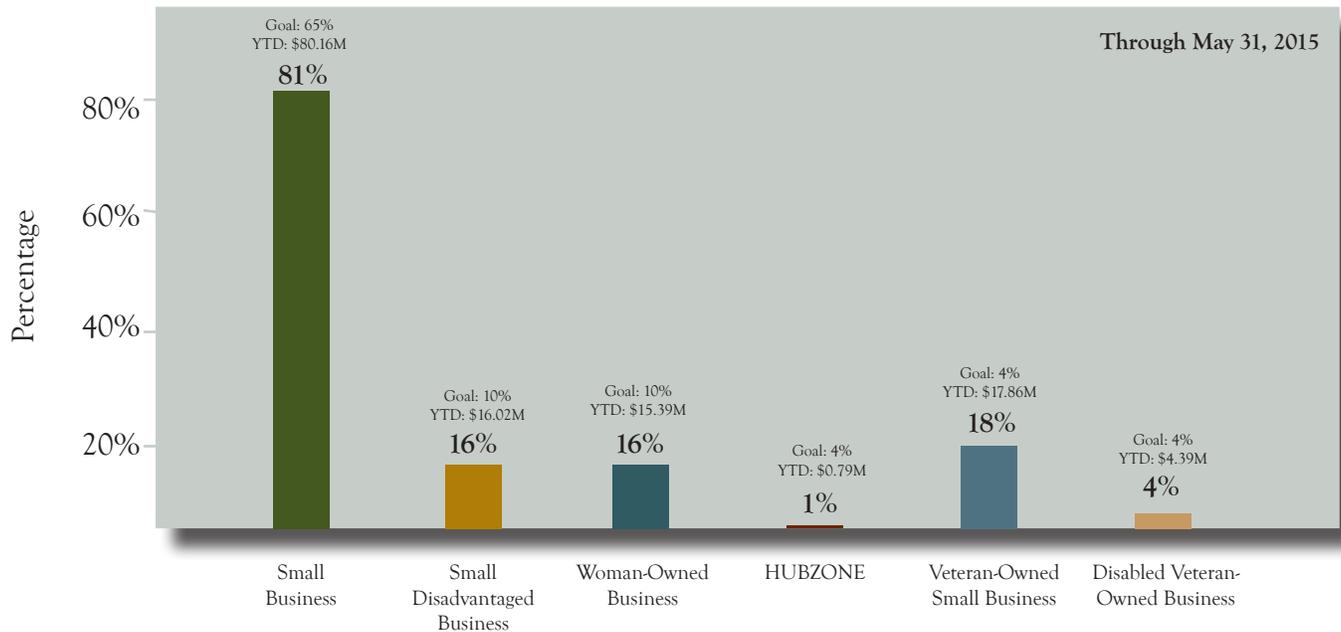
SBPM training



UCOR exhibited jointly with AECOM

# 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

