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**PROCUREMENT ACCESS
& VENDOR EQUITY**

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY OFFICE OF CENTRAL SERVICES PROCUREMENT ACCESS & VENDOR EQUITY (PAVE)

The Office of Central Services – Purchasing Division is responsible for the operation of the Procurement Access & Vendor Equity Program

PAVE advocates for the inclusion and economic opportunities for small, minority, women, veteran-owned, and emerging businesses known as Certified Business Enterprises (CBE) in the County's procurement process.



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Program Mission: The County seeks to increase the overall utilization of CBEs. The percentage of overall spend with CBEs is 25% in Fiscal Year 2023.

Program Goals: The goal is to increase the percentage of utilization in the next three years (2027) to 27% and then to at least 30% by 2030. The County will work with local CBEs to conduct a barrier analysis and address obstacles to accessing and receiving County contracts.



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PAVE Aims To:

- Expand Economic Opportunities
- Enhanced Technical Assistance
- Increase Vendor Diversity
- Community Engagement



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How Will This Be Addressed?

- Enhance CBE Tracking
- Self Certification Program
- Targeted Outreach and Training
 - Social Media
 - Building Partnerships



REGISTRATION LINKS FOR ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY

- Anne Arundel County Central Services

<https://www.aacounty.org/central-services/purchasing/doing-business-county>

- Anne Arundel County Public Schools

<https://www.aacps.org/o/aacps/page/vendors-and-contractors>

- City of Annapolis

<https://www.annapolis.gov/150/Central-Purchasing-Office>



SAVE THE DATE

5/21/2026

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY SPRING PROCUREMENT & TRAINING EXPO



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Thank you!

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