

## Ohio Revised Code

Section 122.041 Duties of director of development as to encouraging diversity, growth, and equity program.

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The director of development shall do all of the following with regard to the encouraging diversity, growth, and equity program created under section 123.152 of the Revised Code:

- (A) Conduct outreach, marketing, and recruitment of EDGE business enterprises, as defined in that section;
- (B) Provide assistance to the department of administrative services, as needed, to certify new EDGE business enterprises and to train appropriate state agency staff;
- (C) Provide business development services to EDGE business enterprises in the developmental and transitional stages of the program, including financial and bonding assistance and management and technical assistance:
- (D) Develop a mentor program to bring businesses into a working relationship with EDGE business enterprises in a way that commercially benefits both entities and serves the purpose of the EDGE program;
- (E) Not later than December 31, 2003, prepare and submit to the governor a detailed report outlining and evaluating the progress made in implementing the encouraging diversity, growth, and equity program;
- (F) Establish processes by which an EDGE business enterprise may apply for contract assistance, financial and bonding assistance, management and technical assistance, and mentoring opportunities.