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HUB Overview





#### The HUB Office



# The Office for Historically Underutilized Businesses promotes diversity and inclusion in state government procurement and contracting.

#### The main roles of the HUB Office include:

- HUB Certification (HUB)
- NC Small Business Enterprise Certification (NCSBE)
- Advocacy and Business Development services
- Compliance & Reporting
- Minority Business Development Agency Business
   Center





# What is a HUB?



- Per NC General Statute 143-128.4
- At least 51% of business is owned by one or more persons who are members of at least one of the groups in 143-128.4 (b).
- The <u>management</u> and daily business operations must be <u>controlled</u> by at least one owner in one of the groups in 143-128.4 (b).
- HUB Certification Categories:
  - Black
  - Hispanic
  - Asian American
  - American Indian
  - Female
  - Disabled
  - Disadvantaged
- Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP New category)
- Certifications are managed by the HUB Office, and last for 4 years, with ability to recertify.
- NO fee to apply for certification.



#### **HUB Certification Process**



- Certification is valid for 4 years with optional 4 year renewal
- Takes about 45-90 days to get certified
- There is <u>no fee</u> to be certified
- Reciprocity options exist, making it easier to get HUB certified if a firm is already certified in NC or a surrounding state

#### How do firms get help with HUB certification?

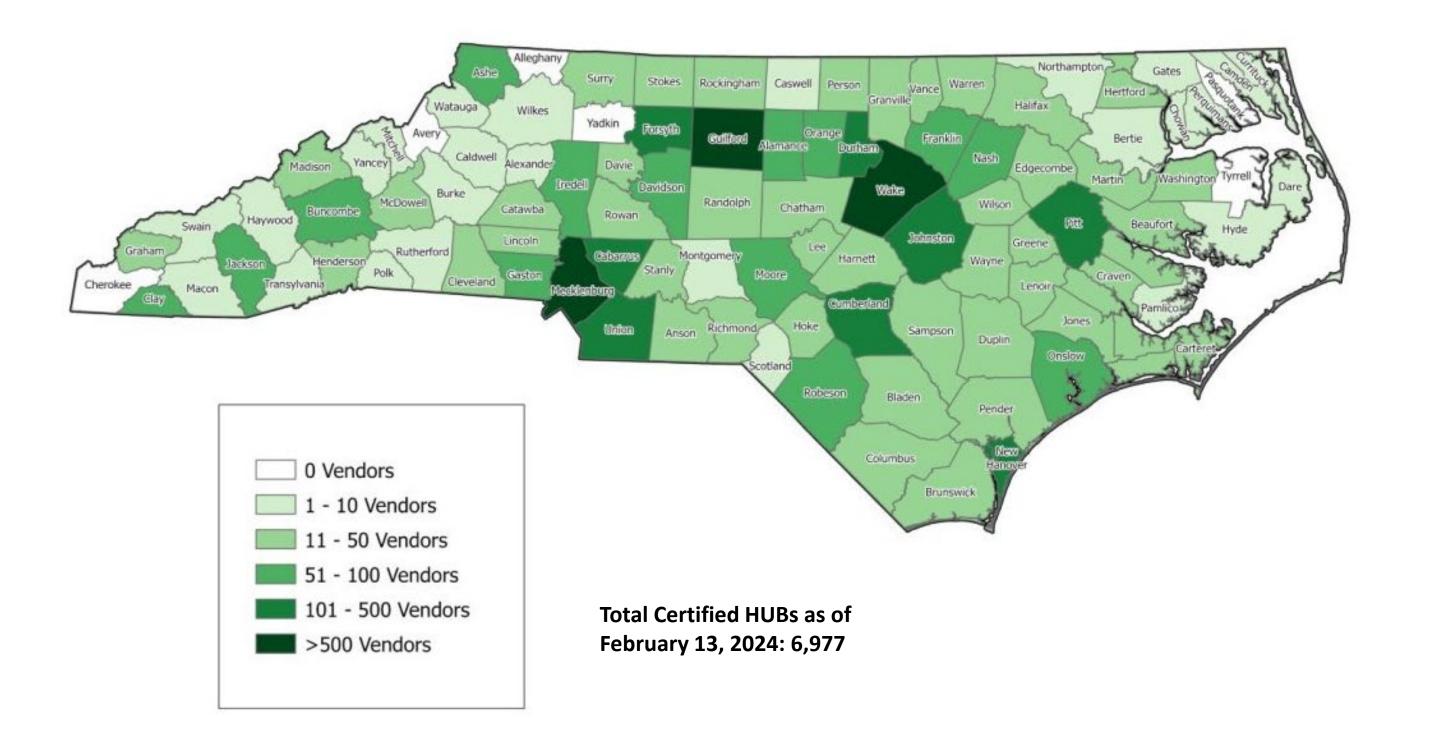
- Visit the HUB Office Certification page: <u>Certifications | NC DOA</u>
- Contact the HUB Office
  - Phone: 984-236-0130
  - huboffice.doa@doa.nc.gov



#### Where are HUBs in North Carolina?



#### **HUB Certifications by County**





#### Where are NCSBEs in North Carolina? —

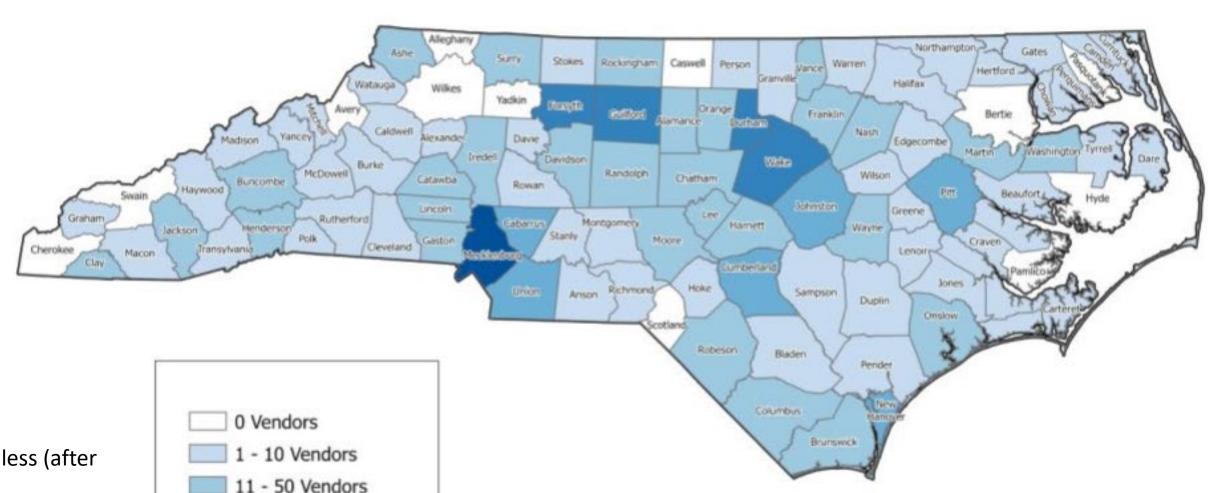
51 - 100 Vendors

>500 Vendors

101 - 500 Vendors



#### North Carolina Certified Small Business Enterprises by County



#### **NCSBE Certification:**

- Headquartered in NC
- For Profit
- \$1.5 Million in Annual Revenue or less (after cost of goods sold)
- 100 or fewer employees

Certification managed by the HUB Office.
Lasts four years.
Race and Gender Neutral

Total Certified NCSBEs as of February 13, 2024: 2,579





Why we look for HUB Vendors.





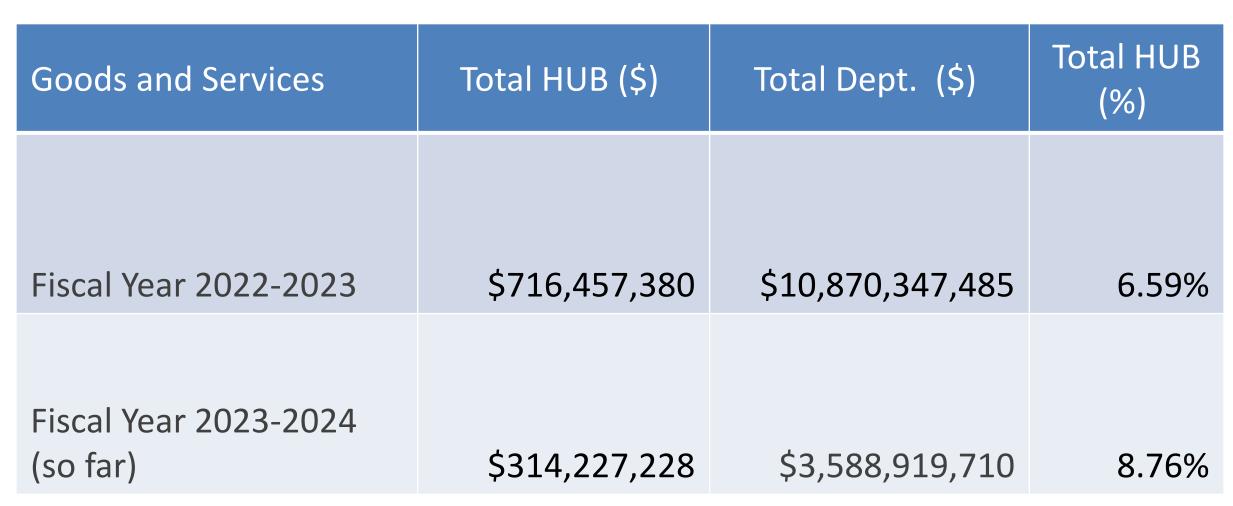
### Legislative Background



- Goal of 10% established in <u>Executive Order Number 25</u>
- NC General Statute 143-48
  - State policy to encourage use of small and Historically Underutilized Businesses
  - Reporting requirements
- NC General Statute 143-128.4: Statewide Uniform Certification
  - Defines Historically Underutilized Business
  - Department of Administration certifies HUBs and maintains database
  - Only Certified HUBs count toward minority business participation



### **HUB Usage**



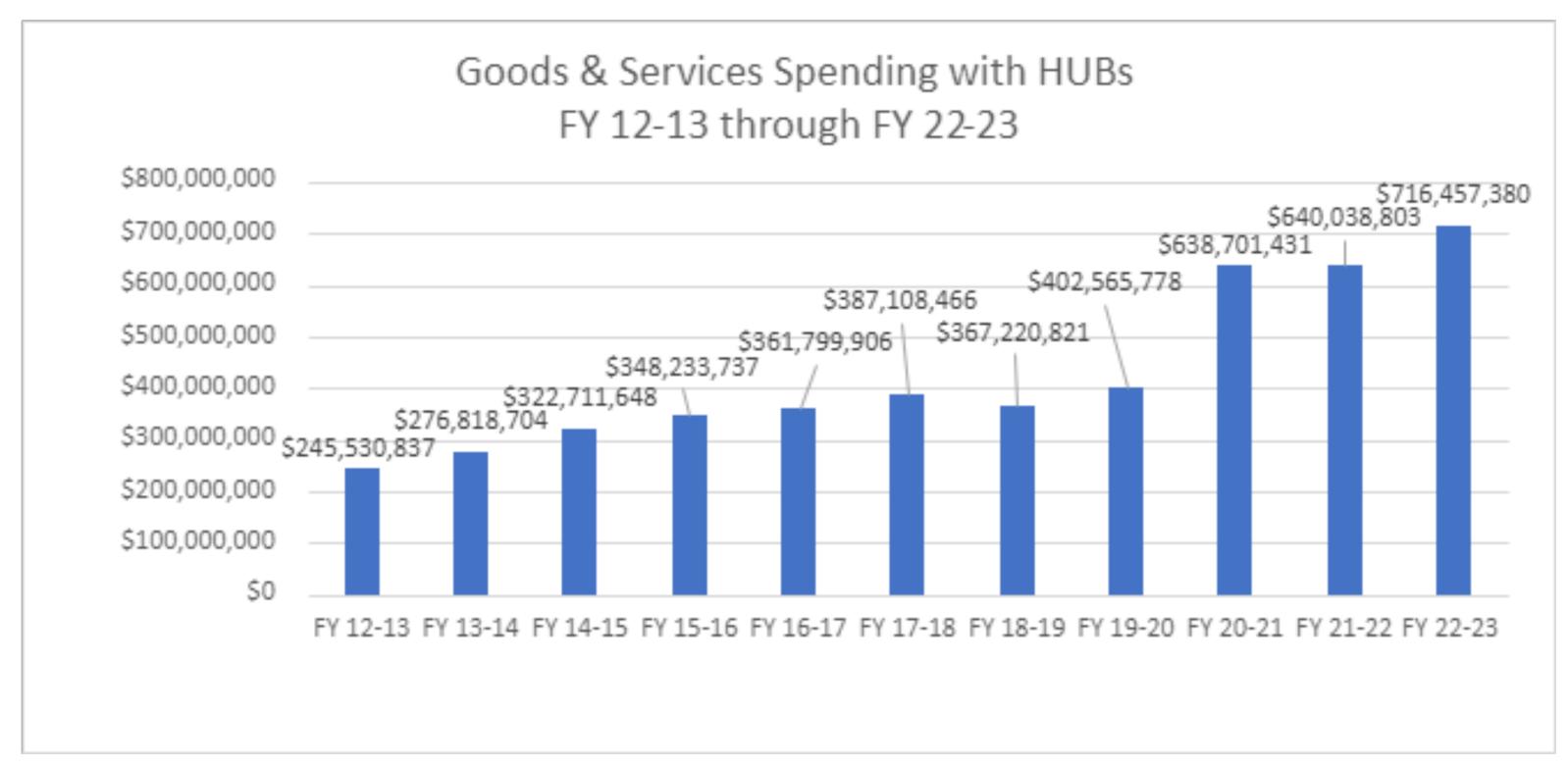


| Agency Group        | # Reporting | # Reporting<br>10%+ HUB |
|---------------------|-------------|-------------------------|
| Cabinet Agencies    | 11          | 5                       |
| Community Colleges  | 58          | 12                      |
| Council of State    | 9           | 3                       |
| Public Schools      | 115         | 21                      |
| State Universities  | 19          | 2                       |
| Supporting Agencies | 15          | 9                       |
| Total               | 227         | 52                      |



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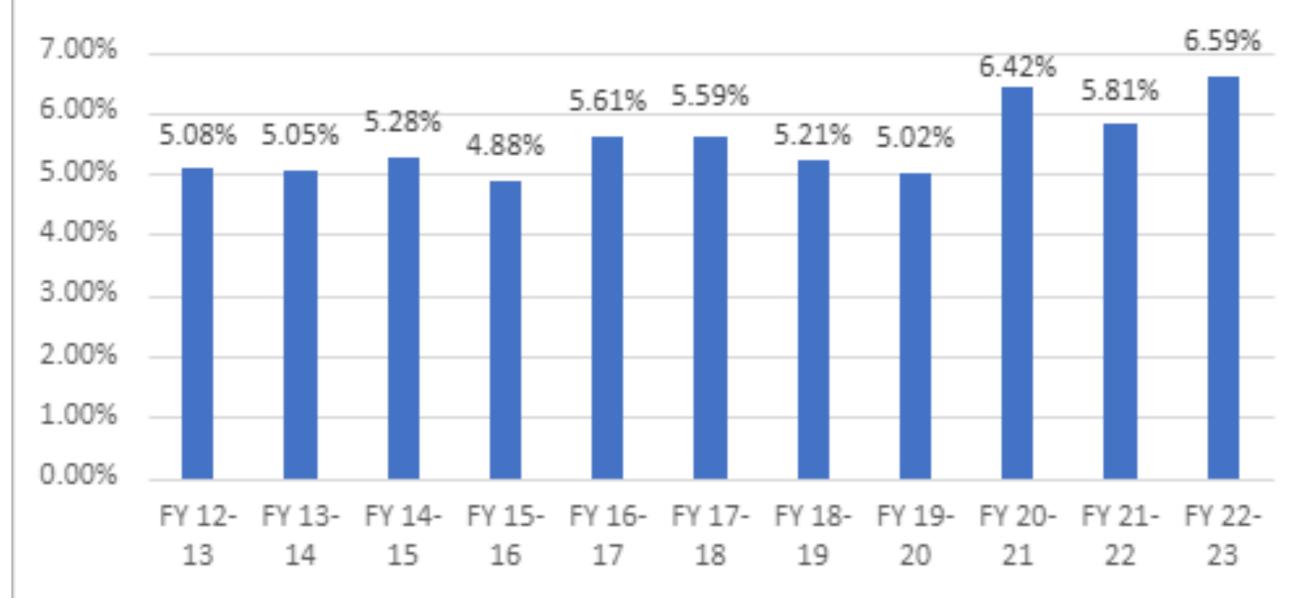






### **HUB Usage**











Ways to find HUB Vendors





### Ways to find HUB Vendors



- State Term Contract
- eVP Solicitation Posting (Public Entities only)
- HUB Office Solicitation Posting (Public and Private Entities)
- eVP Vendor Search (Anyone can search)
- Minority Media Advertising
- Outreach events / Pre-bid meetings
- Meet the Purchaser / Vendor fairs
- PEAK Conference Vendor Tables (April 8th-9<sup>th</sup>)



#### **Statewide Term Contracts**



**Statewide Term Contracts** can be found on the NC P&C website:

https://ncadmin.nc.gov/government-agencies/procurement/statewide-term-contracts.

Vendors that are HUB certified are identified on the list.

#### Statewide Term Contracts with HUB vendors include:

- HVAC Air Filters
- Condoms
- Diesel
- Durable Medical Equipment
- Microscopes
- Office Supplies
- Veterinary Supplies & Equipment
- Supplemental Internal Auditing Services
- Pharmaceutical Returned Goods Processing

To download a copy of the State Term Contracts table, select the "Export Table Data" at the bottom of the table. Please note that this table contains site source code.

| Show 100 ▼ entries                                     |                   | Search:              |                            |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Title \$                                               | Beginning<br>Date | Ending $\hat{\circ}$ | Mandatory /<br>Convenience |
| 0002A - Goods and Services from NPWCBSD                | 3/23/2022         |                      | Mandatory                  |
| O01A - Correction Enterprise Products                  | 3/1/2011          |                      |                            |
| 031A - HVAC Air Filters                                | 6/24/2019         | 6/23/2023            | Mandatory                  |
| • 045A - Household Appliances                          | 8/6/2019          | 8/5/2023             | Mandatory                  |
| 050A - Preschool/Elementary Art Supplies & Accessories | 10/9/2019         | 10/8/2023            | Mandatory                  |
| 060A - Automotive, Industrial Parts and Supplies       | 11/1/2015         | 6/30/2024            | Mandatory                  |
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## Electronic Vendor Portal Upgrade













**Feature Enhancements** 

New eVP went live in July of 2023.

Replaced IPS and original eVP.



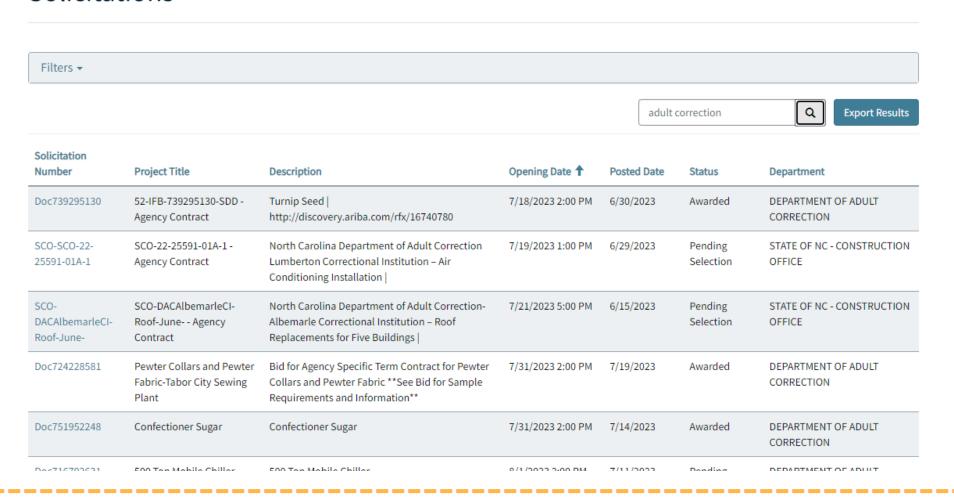


# **HUB Improvements with eVP**

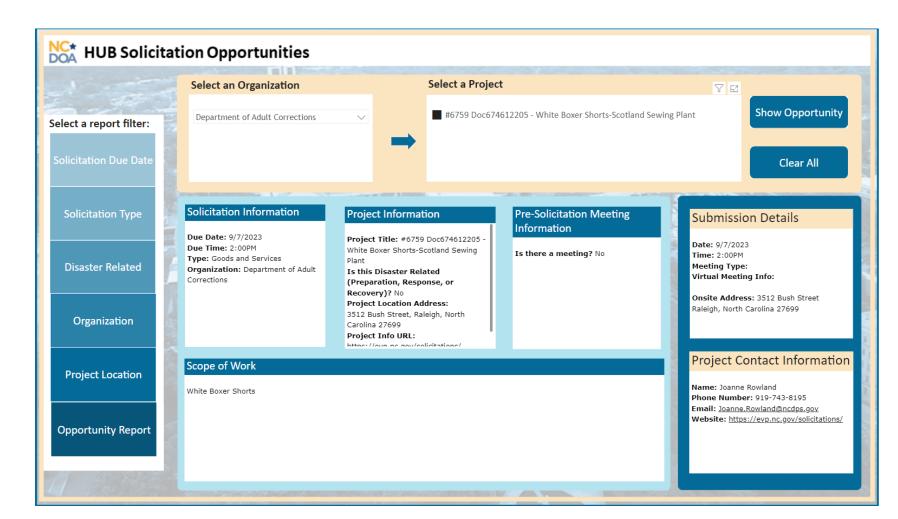
- Solicitations entered in eVP will automatically show up on HUB Solicitation Opportunity Dashboard.
- Strongly recommend taking a screen shot or printing out the screen once it is posted on the HUB Dashboard.
- Once bid due date has passed the posting is no longer available on the HUB Dashboard.

eVP Solicitations · eVP (nc.gov)

#### Solicitations

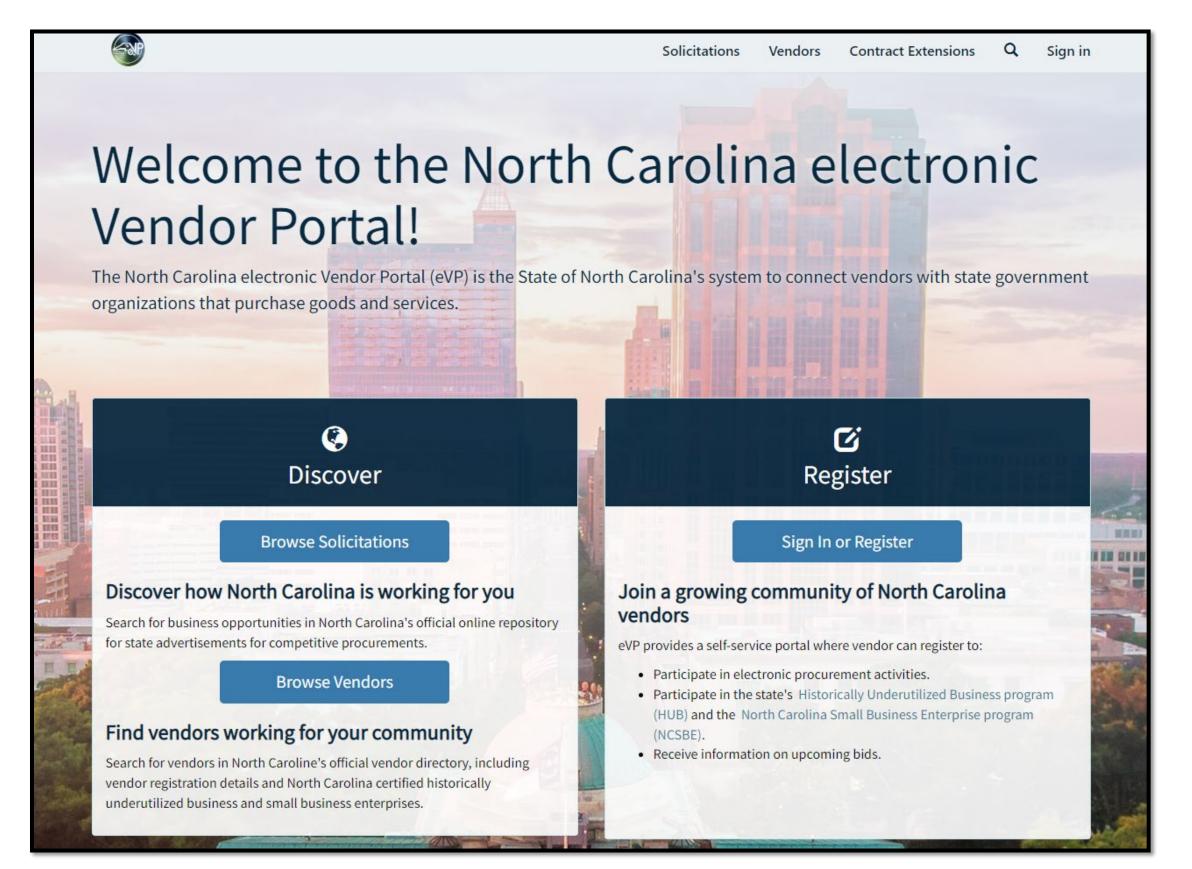


HUB Office Solicitation Dashboard: MicrosoftPower Bl(powerbigov.us)





#### **PUBLIC & VENDOR FACING PORTAL**



Vendors can register and manage accounts.

HUB and NCSBE certification process completely online in eVP.

Agencies / public organizations can post solicitations, tabulations and awards; vendors can respond to solicitations through eVP.

Anyone can search for vendors, using the eVP vendor search (includes HUBs and Non-HUBs).



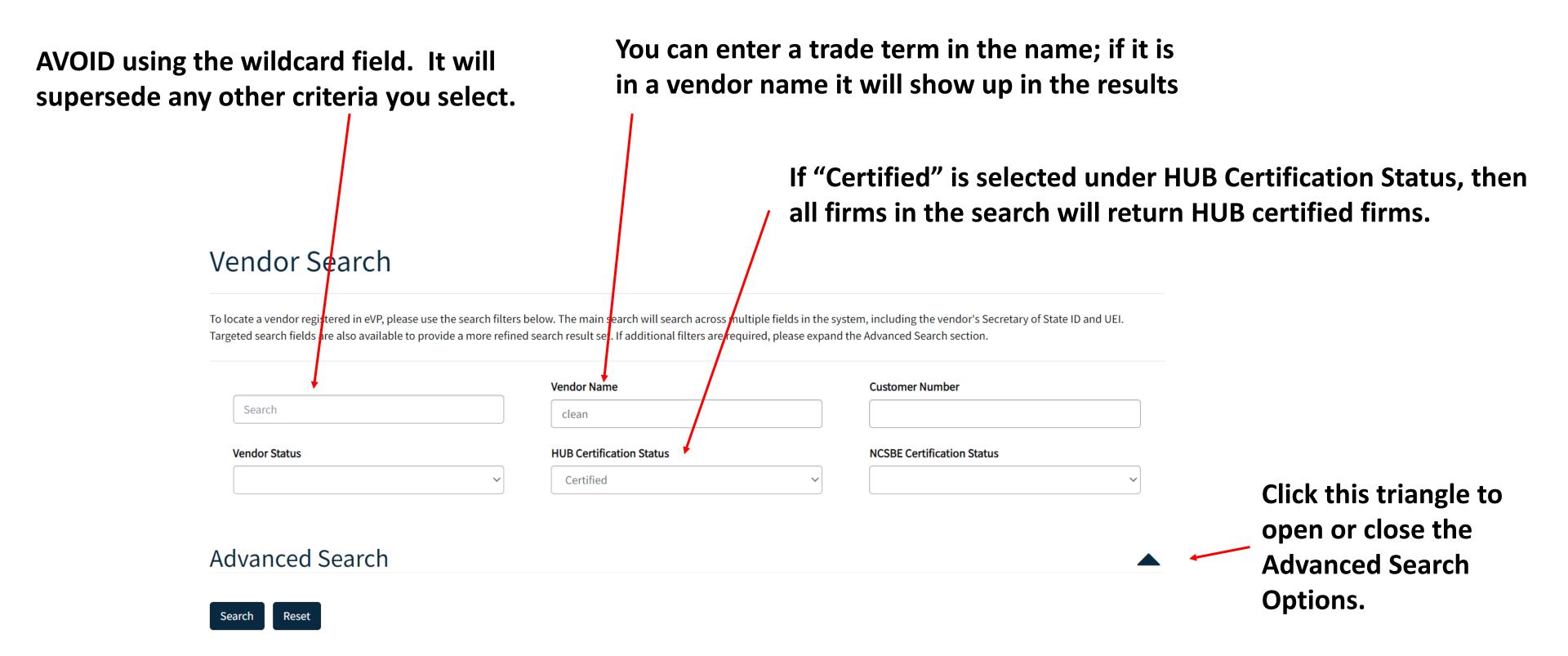


e VP Vendor Search Example



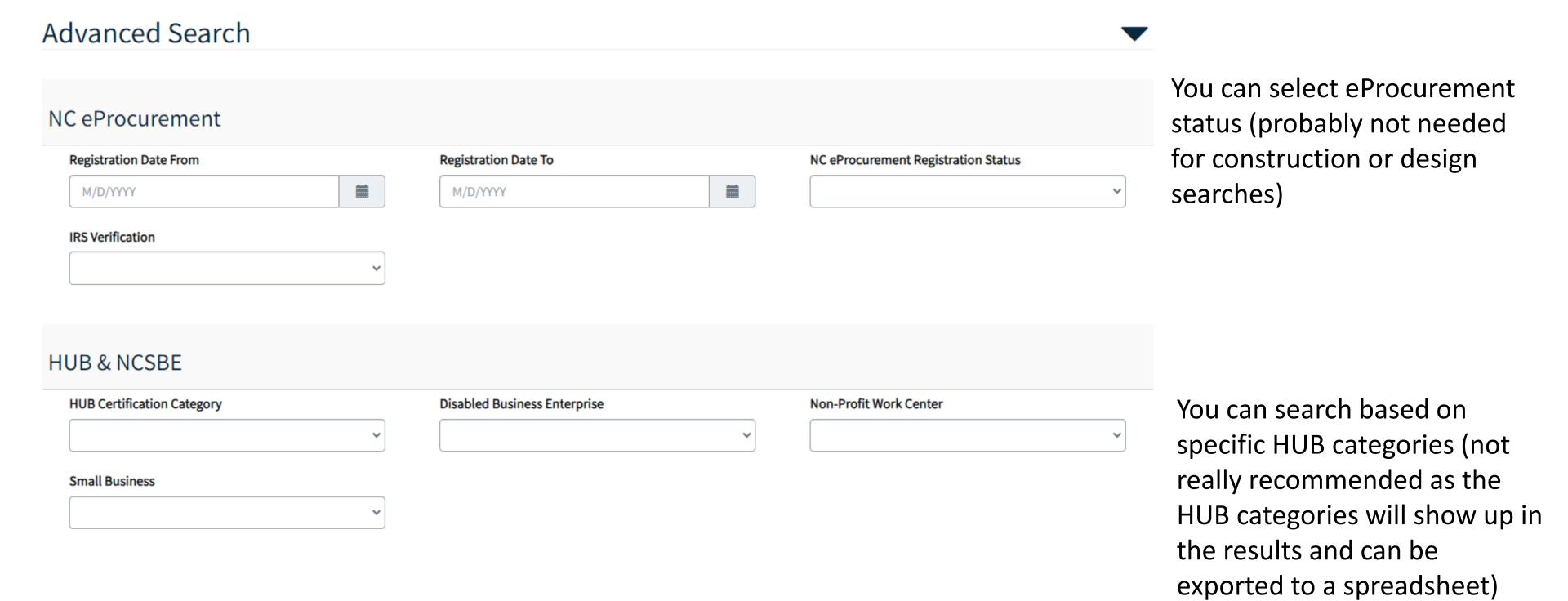


### eVP Basic Search





### eVP Advanced Search





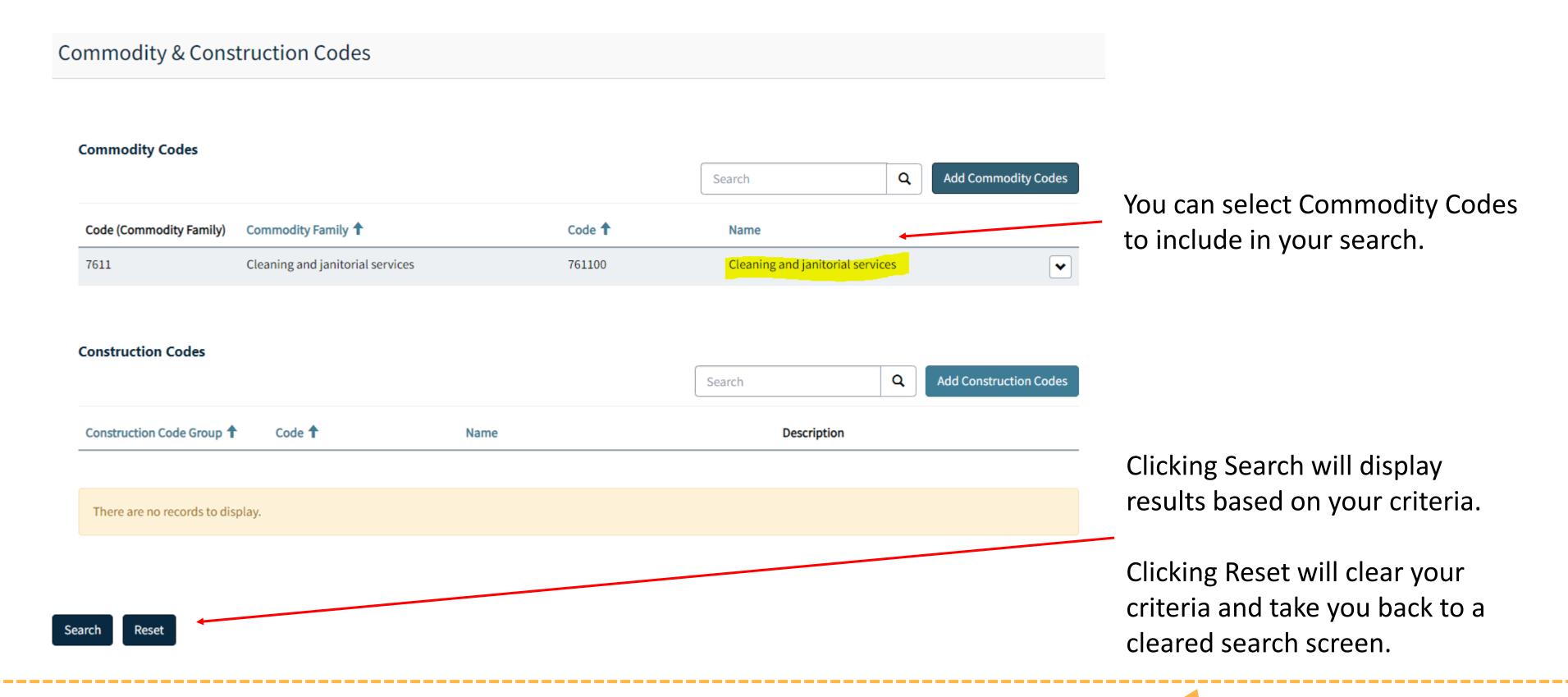
### eVP Advanced Search

| Contractor Category                             | Construction License              | General/Electrical Con | tractor Limitation    |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
|                                                 | ~                                 | ~                      | ~                     |
| Electrical License Specialty                    | Work/License Classifications      | Mechanical/Heating Li  | cense Classifications |
|                                                 | ~                                 | <u> </u>               | ~                     |
| Plumbing/Fire Sprinkler License Classifications | s                                 |                        |                       |
|                                                 | ~                                 |                        |                       |
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|                                                 |                                   |                        |                       |
| entact and Location                             |                                   |                        |                       |
|                                                 | Contact First Name                | Contact Email          |                       |
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| Contact Last Name                               |                                   | Contact Email          |                       |
| Contact Last Name                               | Contact First Name  Location City |                        |                       |
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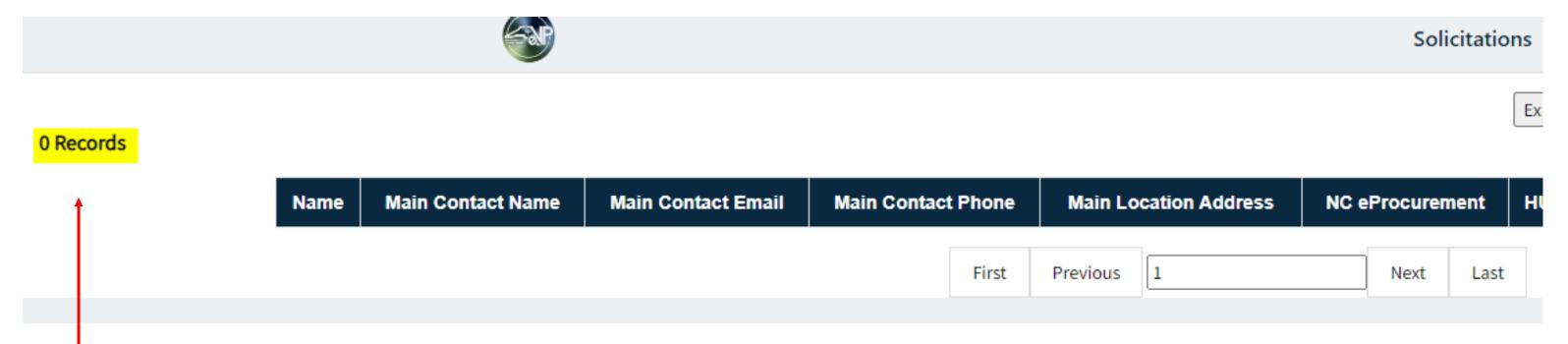
You can select the county or counties to include in the search



### eVP Advanced Search



#### **eVP Search Results**



If your result shows zero records your search did not find any vendors meeting your criteria.

By using fewer search criteria you may broaden your pool of potential vendors

Export to Excel

If certified as a HUB the HUB category will be displayed.

9 Records

| Name                                       | Main<br>Contact<br>Name | Main Contact Email             | Main<br>Contact<br>Phone | Main Location<br>Address                                                                       | NC<br>eProcurement | HUB       | HUB<br>Category | NCSBE | Small<br>Business | DBE   | NPW   |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|-----------------|-------|-------------------|-------|-------|
| Construction<br>Clean Company<br>LLC       | Jamar<br>Simmons        | jamar@constructioncleanco.com  | 9104948314               | 511 N Reilly Rd,<br>Fayetteville, North<br>Carolina, Cumberland,<br>United States, 28303       | Active             | Certified | Black           |       | true              | false | false |
| Construction<br>Cleaners LLC               | Helen<br>Mangum         | helen@constructioncleaners.us  | 9197266379               | 4711 Hope Valley Rd,<br>Durham, North<br>Carolina, Durham,<br>United States, 27707             | Active             | Certified | Black           |       | true              | false | false |
| Durham<br>Cleaning<br>Professionals<br>LLC | Ruth<br>McNeil          | contact@durhamcleaningpros.com | 9193004925               | 600 Park Offices Dr.<br>Ste 300, Durham,<br>North Carolina,<br>Durham, United States,<br>27709 | Active             | Certified | Black           |       | true              | false | false |
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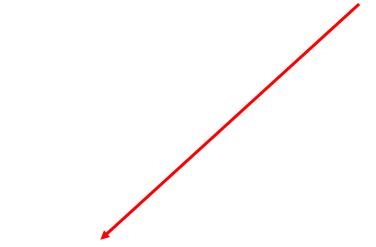


#### **eVP Search Results**



By clicking Export to Excel above the results table a spreadsheet will be downloaded with the details of the firms found.

| Location Address                                   | NC<br>eProcurement | HUB       | HUB<br>Catego |  |  |
|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|---------------|--|--|
| Royal Rd, Raleigh, North ake, United States, 27617 | Active             | Certified | Black         |  |  |
| in Otrock France Varian                            |                    |           |               |  |  |



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|--------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|------------------|------------------------------|--------------|----------------|------------|----------------------|----------------|-----------|-------------|------------------|----------------|-----------|
| Name                                 | MainContactName     | MainContactEmail                 | MainContactPhone | AddressLine1                 | City         | State          | County     | Country              | NCeProcurement | HUB       | HUBCategory | HUBCertStartDate | HUBCertEndDate | NCSBE     |
| Construction Clean Company LLC       | Jamar Simmons       | jamar@constructioncleanco.com    | 9104948314       | 511 N Reilly Rd              | Fayetteville | North Carolina | Cumberland | United States        | Active         | Certified | Black       | 2/16/2022        | 2/16/2026      | ı         |
| Construction Cleaners LLC            | Helen Mangum        | helen@constructioncleaners.us    | 9197266379       | 4711 Hope Valley Rd          | Durham       | North Carolina | Durham     | United States        | Active         | Certified | Black       | 2/18/2022        | 2/18/2026      | 1         |
| Durham Cleaning Professionals LLC    | Ruth McNeil         | contact@durhamcleaningpros.com   | 9193004925       | 600 Park Offices Dr. Ste 300 | Durham       | North Carolina | Durham     | United States        | Active         | Certified | Black       | 6/29/2023        | 6/29/2027      |           |
| It's Clean Cleaning LLC              | ANTONIA GEORGE      | ITSCLEANNC@GMAIL.COM             | 9196300623       | PO Box 12772                 | Durham       | North Carolina | Durham     | United States        | Not Applicable | Certified | Black       | 7/27/2021        | 7/27/2025      | Certified |
| Klassy Cleaning Company LLC          | Miqua Fletcher      | info@klassycleaningco.com        | 9199083049       | 12 winding creek circle      | Durham       | North Carolina | Durham     | United States        | Active         | Certified | Black       | 9/9/2022         | 9/9/2026       | Certified |
| MEMAWS 24HR CLEANING SERVICE         | Lakisha Wiggins     | lakishawiggins1@gmail.com        | 9199374159       | Duke St                      | Durham       | North Carolina | Durham     | <b>United States</b> | Active         | Certified | Black       | 8/9/2023         | 8/9/2027       |           |
| NC Professional Cleaning LLC         | Travis Scotton      | NCProfessionalCleaning@gmail.com | 9192146777       | 2530 Meridian Parkway        | Durham       | North Carolina | Durham     | United States        | Active         | Certified | Black       | 3/12/2021        | 3/12/2025      | Certified |
| Precise Commercial Cleaning LLC      | Mattisha Mangum N/a | Expresscomcleaning@gmail.com     |                  | 214 eagleson st              | Durham       | North Carolina | Durham     | <b>United States</b> | Not Applicable | Certified | Black       | 9/19/2023        | 9/19/2027      |           |
| O Spotless Commercial Cleaning, Inc. | Joey Strong         | sales@spotlesscommercial.com     | 9193212364       | 3622 Lyckan Parkway          | Durham       | North Carolina | Durham     | United States        | Not Applicable | Certified | Black       | 12/6/2022        | 12/6/2026      | Certified |
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Live Demonstration







Questions?







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