











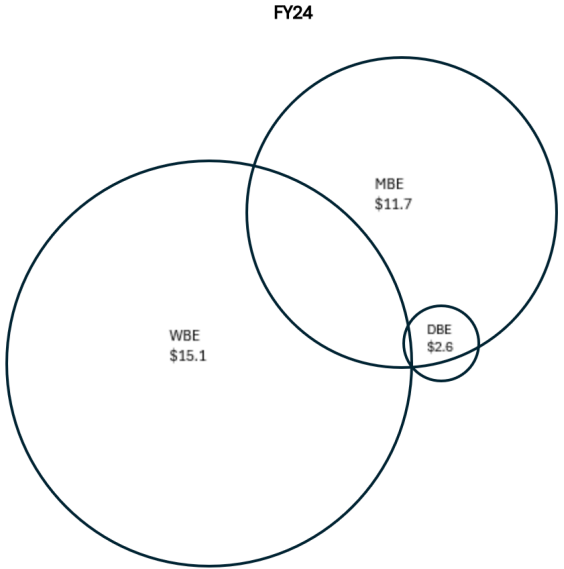
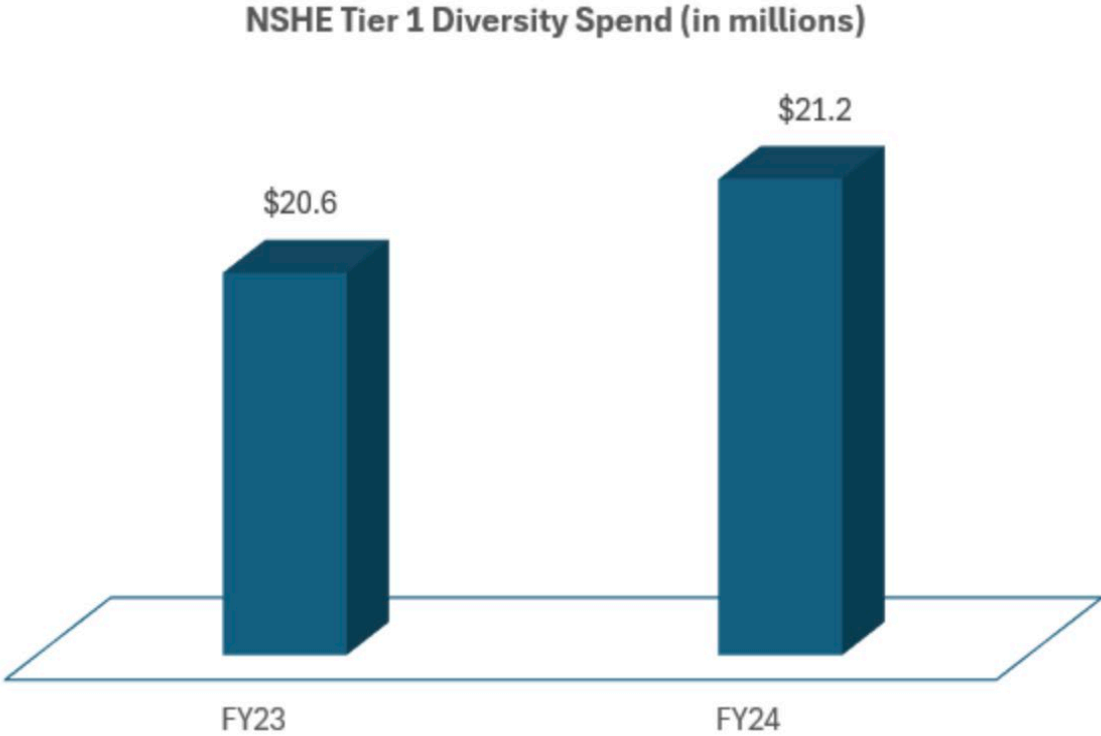
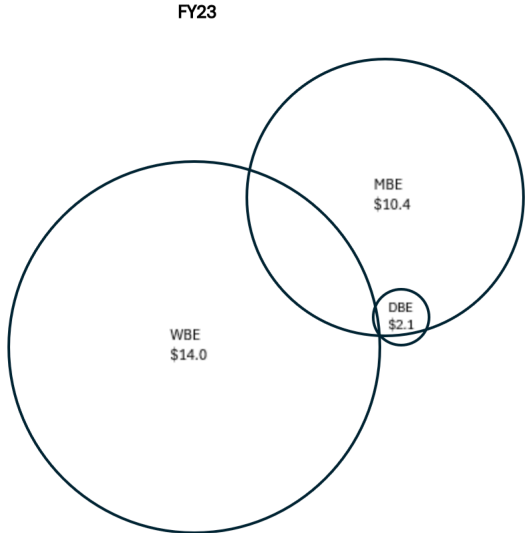


# NSHE Record of Supplier Diversity Classifications

All NSHE Purchasing Offices utilize the Supplier Registration System (SREG), which allows suppliers to self-register and self-certify their diversity status. Suppliers have the option to select or deselect their classifications in certain areas, at any time.

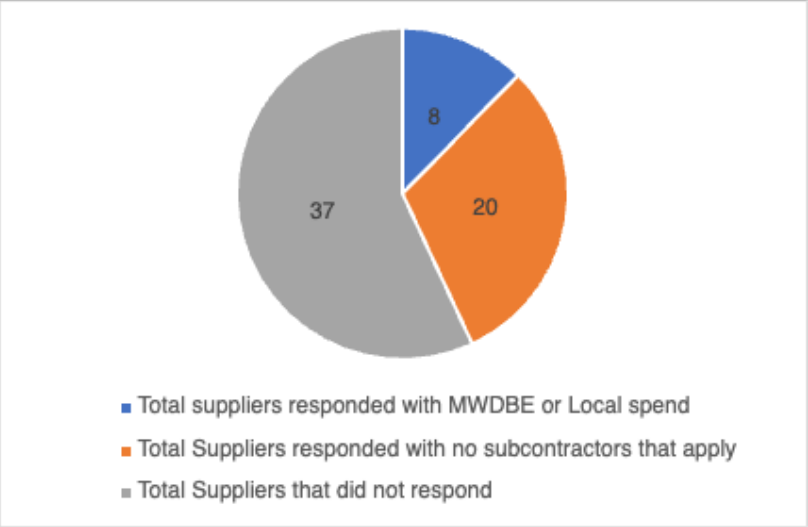
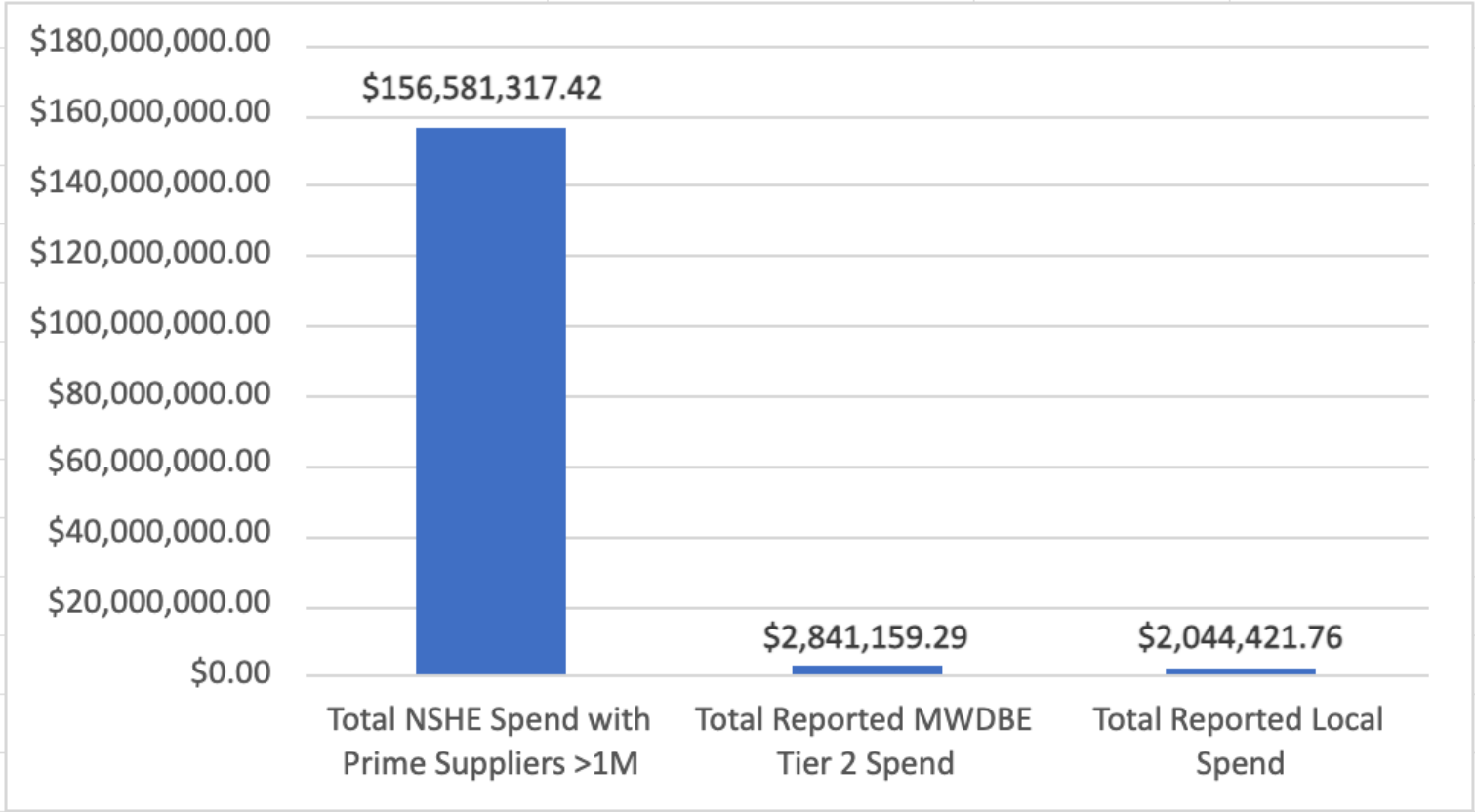


# NSHE Tier 1 Expenditures FY23 and FY 24





# NSHE Tier 2 Expenditures FY23



# Challenges & Goals

**NRS and Board of Regents Policy require that we award to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.**

**There is no preference or set-aside to allocate spend specifically to small, local and diverse suppliers.**

**Our primary goals are to:**

- Remove obstacles for our small, local and diverse suppliers
- Provide opportunities, outreach, resources and training for how to do business with NSHE
- Be responsible stewards of public funds, procure goods and services at the lowest cost, consistent with the quality and service. Including small, local and diverse suppliers to the degree possible.



# Tier 1 and 2 NSHE Collaboration Focus Group

In early 2023, all institutions created a focus group to standardize and streamline Tier 1 and 2 reporting.

**The group focused on:**

- **Workday Report Standardization**
- **Report Template Standardization**
- **Tier 2 Survey Standardization**



# Annual NSHE Supplier Outreach Initiatives

- **Event:** Committed To Our Business Community hosted by RBDAC
- **Details:** Hosted every fall, this event is designed to provide resources for small and local businesses. In FY23, over 200 small and local business attended.
  
- **Event:** Supplier Opportunity Fair hosted by Nevada Association of Purchasing Professionals
- **Details:** Hosted every spring, this event's specific mission is to connect local businesses with local buyers



# Annual NSHE Supplier Outreach Initiatives

- **Event:** Nevada Small Business Development Workshops
- **Details:** Hosted Quarterly, Purchasing and Planning and Construction are invited to present information on doing business with NSHE, including project types and current opportunities. These workshops are designed for the planning and construction industry.
- **Event:** Institution and Supplier 1:1
- **Details:** Hosted as needed, each purchasing office provides one-on-one support to suppliers. These sessions cover registration assistance as well as guidance on policies and processes.



# Adding Supplier Outreach Initiatives in FY25

- **Event:** National Association of State Procurement Officials (NASPO) Exchange
- **Details:** Registration is open to suppliers and small businesses whom share common interests and goals for public procurement.



# Enabled Policy to Prefer Small/Diverse Sellers

## Amazon Business

- NSHE Amazon Business accounts updated guided buying policies to prefer small and diverse sellers. These sellers are shown first in the results pages of buyer's searches when applicable.



# Purchasing Leadership Affiliations

## **Regional Business Development Advisory Council:**

The Regional Business Development Advisory Council (RBDAC) is a legislative council that reports directly to the Nevada State Legislature. Their mission is to increase the participation of small, minority, woman, veteran, disadvantaged businesses within Clark County. Paula Gonzales, Director of Purchasing for CSN has been a member of this council for 15 years. Chelsea Meggerson, Interim Director of Purchasing for UNLV has been a member for 7 years, and also has served as Secretary, Vice Chair, and Chair.

## **National Association of Procurement Professionals:**

The National Association of Procurement Professionals (NAPP) offers world class value by providing a diversity of educational, networking, and career development opportunities to advance the supply management professional.

NAPP is based in Las Vegas and serves over 100 Purchasing and Supply Management professionals. Melanie Lever, Director of Purchasing for BCN has served on the Board of Directors since July 2022.





# Tier 1 and 2 FY23 Report and Tier 1 FY24 Report

The final report for FY23 has been prepared. This report includes Tier 1 and Tier 2 reporting for each individual institution, the total amount spent with suppliers, their diversity classifications, and any applicable subcontractor spending.

Only Tier 1 reporting for FY24 is included. Tier 2 data for FY24 is still being surveyed.



# Future State: Proposed BDR

**There is a current BDR being proposed to the Nevada Legislature in the 83rd session that will affect all NSHE institutions. The BDR proposes the following:**

- RBDAC to be renamed as 'Nevada Business Advisory Council' and expand from just Clark County to include Carson City, Washoe County and Douglas County
- The Council would be responsible for impacting revisions to policy and procedure
- Set aspirational goals for diverse-owned businesses participation in public contracts, mirroring successful models such as the City of Indianapolis' 27% diversity business participation goal for contracts valued above \$50,000.
- Allocate sufficient resources to support the implementation and monitoring of diverse-owned businesses; participation goals, including staff training, outreach efforts, and the development of tracking systems.



# Future State: Supplier Diversity, Outreach and Tier 1 and 2 Reporting Enhancement

- Enhance JP Morgan Chase PCard Reporting capabilities
- Create training materials system-wide, including videos and aids for registration and business opportunities
- Leverage existing collaboration between NSHE institutions to ensure consistent responses from suppliers across all entities
- Continue development on our system-wide procurement website



# Summary and Feedback

We've covered a significant amount of information, including:

- **Tier 1 and 2 Reporting:** Summary reporting and key points.
- **Focus Group Initiatives:** Designed to standardize processes and improve reporting output.
- **Community Outreach:** Efforts to engage and support our local community.
- **Leadership Affiliations:** Participation from Purchasing Leadership.
- **Future Impacts:** Legislation and the anticipated effects and enhancements on Tier 1 and 2 reporting.

We invite you to review the data presented in this presentation and in the reports. Please feel free to reach out to any of us with questions or feedback.

