**Contracting Opportunities** 







As the non-profit, public power agency for Alameda County and the City of Tracy, Ava reinvests earnings back into the community to create local green-energy jobs, local programs, and clean-power projects.

#### **Local first**

Ava practices a 'local first' approach with contracting opportunities when possible. In 2018, when Ava was preparing to launch its services, we developed and released our unique Local Development Business Plan to develop a comprehensive framework for accelerating the development of clean energy resources and programs within the service territory. That document stresses the importance of supplier diversity, particularly from vendors located in our service area. For procurements that require a solicitation, potential suppliers may receive points for their small or local business status (but Ava does not make decisions solely based off these classifications).

### **Contracting opportunities**

- Clean energy projects like solar, wind, energy storage, energy efficiency, electrification of buildings, and electric vehicle charging
- Consulting services like legal, technical analysis, and independent engineers
- · Other professional services like data and software, accounting, and property management
- Miscellaneous goods and services like printing, office supplies, and apparel

## **Solicitations**

Ava regularly relies on business partners to execute specific, specialized work tasks. As a public agency, when we need to procure goods or services, we issue a competitive solicitation. Solicitations are always listed on our website at <a href="AvaEnergy.org/solicitations">AvaEnergy.org/solicitations</a> and distributed by email. Anyone can sign up for our solicitations list here.

# Supplier diversity

Ava is proud to run our Supplier Diversity Program and is committed to providing resources on the statewide Supplier Diversity Program to ensure eligible vendors have the awareness and technical assistance support they need to pursue certification. To learn more about Ava resources related to Supplier Diversity, please visit <a href="AvaEnergy.org/supplier-diversity">AvaEnergy.org/supplier-diversity</a>.

### Prop 29 Disclaimer

As a California local government entity bound by California Prop 209, Ava is prohibited from considering race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin in its contracting and procurement decisions. Accordingly, Ava also does not set Supplier Diversity targets or goals.

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