## E&I's Business Case for Supplier Diversity

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# Objectives for Today's Discussion

- E&I Overview
- Supplier Diversity Best Practices in Program Development
- Best Practices in Operation Maximizing BEP Certified Suppliers
- 2023 Supplier Diversity Strategy Key Focus Areas
- E&I's Journey Assistance Strategy
- Q&A

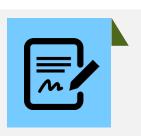
## Background Information – Titus Martin

- Titus has over 24 years of Supplier Diversity experience serving in Automotive, Building Construction, Energy and Health Care sectors, while contributing to numerous initiatives related to Supplier Diversity and its positive economic impact in diverse communities.
- Served on various boards of directors & executive committees (nationally) focused on improving opportunities for diverse suppliers in the marketplace.
- Associate Director Supplier Diversity, UnitedHealth Group (2008-2022) -Implemented processes that produced a direct increase in spending with diverse business from \$82 million in 2008 to \$700 million in 2021. Managed over 600+ diverse businesses which contributed Tier 1 spending with certified diverse businesses (\$700 million) and over 100 prime supplier partners with \$200+ million in Tier 2 spending.
- Manager Supplier Diversity, Johnson Controls (1999-2008) Implemented all initiatives related to the development of the Supplier Diversity
  Business Development program for the Buildings Division. Also, provided strategic planning and overall program compliance (including
  installation of electronic diverse spend tracking systems), which increased diverse supplier spending levels by \$250 million from 2003-2008.
- Awarded multiple awards for his service in the area of Supplier Diversity including the "Corporate Representative of the Year Award" from the Tennessee Minority Supplier Development Council (TMSDC).

**E&I Cooperative Services** is a member-owned, non-profit sourcing cooperative focused on education. By leveraging the knowledge and purchasing power of its Nationwide Membership, E&I Helps Education Institutions Reduce Costs, Optimize Supply Chain Efficiencies, and Save Time on the RFP Process.

6000+	\$2.8 B	160+	20+	99%	\$0
Members	Member Purchases	Awarded Contracts	Categories	Competitive Bidding	Cost to Join Contract

**E&I Cooperative Services** works hand in hand with our members, helping them to optimize and control their spend, reduce their costs and relieve the workload placed on their procurement staff. We achieve this by providing contracts tailored specifically to education needs and compliance requirements, eProcurement solutions to make buying processes more efficient, and consultative and analytic services to solve challenges and support data driven decision making.



End to end RFP process, from market research through contract management

Sourcing





e-Procurement

Custom-built for education, multiple platforms with varying levels of functionality and integration capabilities

#### **END-TO-END PROCUREMENT SOLUTIONS**



#### **Strategic Spend Assessment**

Spend data analysis for opportunities to reduce costs, bring more spend under contract, and maximize efficiencies



#### **Supplier Diversity**

Maximize diverse supplier participation through the development of mutually beneficial business relationships



#### **Sustainability**

Achieve climate neutrality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, through ESGcompliant contracts





# **Supplier Diversity at E&I**

## Vision

To empower our members to make informed, analytics-driven decisions to capture more spend with diverse suppliers and optimize their education dollars

## Mission

To help members
deliver unsurpassed
value and exceptional
experience through a
broad portfolio of
competitively solicited
contracts with industryleading suppliers and
innovative sourcing
solutions

## Value

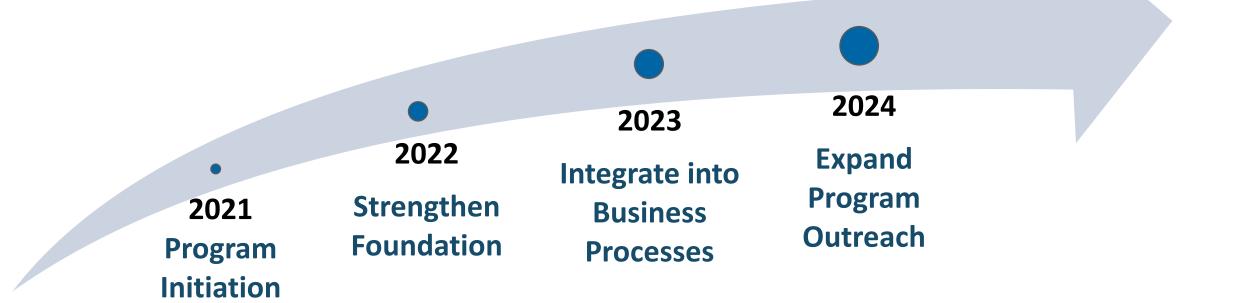
chain and operational excellence; enhancing our brand with key stakeholders; and complementing our core values expressed in our environmental, social, and governance commitments

## Results

We will share with our stakeholders how supplier diversity contributes to supply chain and operational excellence

## **Continued Evolution**

- Achieving World Class Performance Requires Continued Evolution
- Our vision is to create a world class Supplier Diversity program that delivers value creation for our business and economic impact in the communities we serve





# Importance of Implementing Best Practices





# **Driving Value Creation and Economic Impact**

The proactive integration of businesses from underserved communities into the supply chain

# **Compliance with Customer Requirements**

- Public Sector bid requirements
- Private Sector Customer Expectations

### **Strategic Approach**

- Innovative Solutions
- Cost Savings
- Strategic Relationships

### **Social Responsibility**

- Deliver economic Impact to underserved communities
- Promote linkage to institutional values

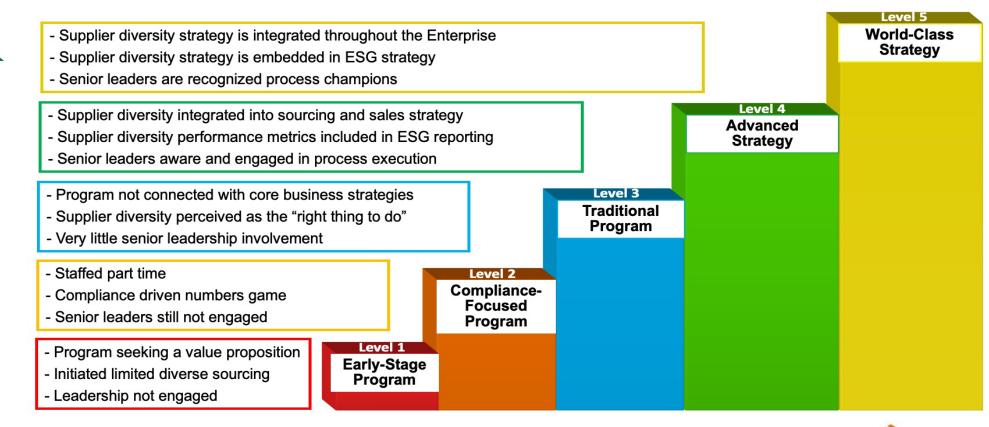
## **VALUE CREATION**





# Supplier Diversity Program: Maturity Models

#### "<u>The RGMA 5</u>" Levels of Supplier Diversity Maturity Model™



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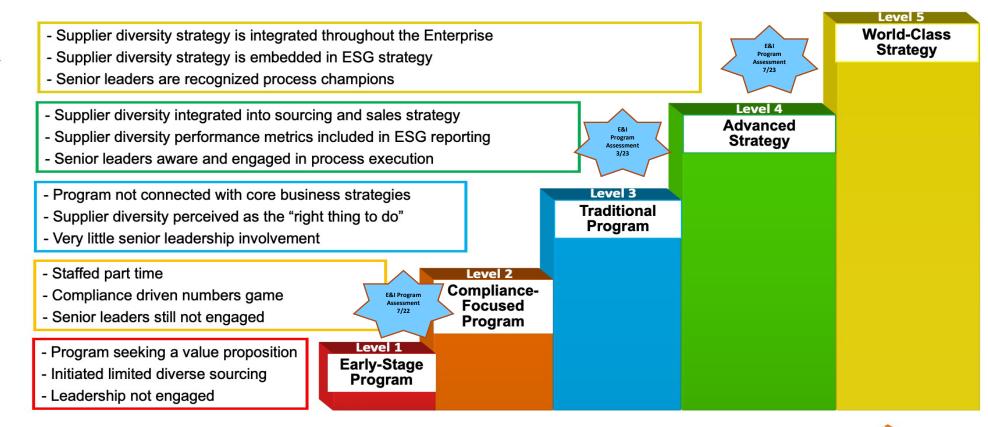






# Supplier Diversity Program: Maturity Models

#### "The RGMA 5" Levels of Supplier Diversity Maturity Model™











# Program Focus Areas





# Program Achievements in Supplier Diversity

### **Standardized Best Practices & Tools**

- Hired an Executive Director to develop E&I's Supplier Diversity strategy
- Completed program analysis to determine the state and highlight future areas of focus
- Developed process with Category teams to establish Supplier Diversity strategies
- Established E&I's Business Case for Supplier Diversity

### Governance

- Created Supplier Diversity Policy Statement
- Developed Strategic Plan & Future Improvement Strategy
- Created process to measure diverse supplier participation in E&I's RFP process





# Program Achievements in Supplier Diversity

### **Education & Awareness**

Established framework for future communication strategy:

- Supplier Diversity (quarterly)
   podcast, brochures & marketing
   materials, training courses and
   website enhancements
- Updated existing Supplier Diversity website to highlight our renewed focus and efforts in this area

## **Strategic Approach**

- Began building opportunity pipeline for future diverse supplier participation
- Established relationships with Supplier Diversity Advocacy
   Organizations to help strengthen E&I's brand/image.
- Initiated discussions with E&I members to determine the desire for supplier diversity solutions





# E&I's Options for Solution Development





## Supplier Diversity Member Toolkit Solutions

- Digital Assessment & Planning Tool
- Data Enrichment Services
- Supplier Diversity Tracking Software
- Tier 2 Reporting module

- Supplier Registration
- Diverse Supplier Directory
- Industry Benchmarking
- Economic Impact Reporting





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# HELPFUL Links & Resources

#### For Members

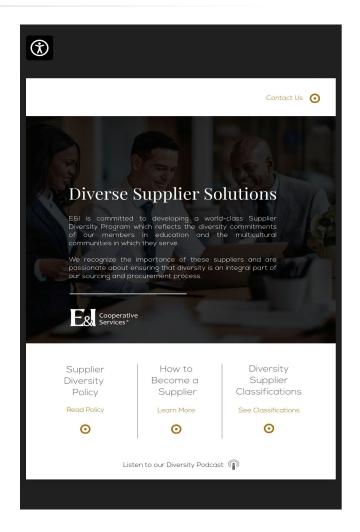
Our Supplier Diversity Program is designed to support your ongoing diversity commitments. Check out our growing list of Supplier Diversity solutions.



#### For Suppliers

We are committed to maximizing diverse supplier participation in our RFP process. Here's how to become a diverse supplier in E&I's portfolio.









# Questions?

