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## **TRS Hosts Forum for Historically Underutilized Businesses** *14th Annual Purchasing and HUB Connection on May 21*

AUSTIN – The 14th Annual Purchasing and HUB Connection, a networking forum for Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs), will be presented by the Teacher Retirement System of Texas (TRS) from 1:30-4:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 21, 2015. The free forum will be held at the TRS facility, located at 1000 Red River St. in Austin.

A HUB is defined as: a for-profit entity

- that has not exceeded the size standards prescribed by Texas Administrative Code and has its principal place of business in Texas; and
- that is at least 51% owned by an Asian Pacific American, Black American, Hispanic American, Native American, American woman and/or Service Disabled Veteran, who resides in Texas and actively participate in the control, operations and management of the entity's affairs

TRS will provide information about their purchasing needs and contracting opportunities for HUBs for the rest of the fiscal year. Representatives from other state agencies also will be present to discuss their contracting opportunities. A networking session will allow vendors to meet with purchasing staff, key agency decision-makers and potential partners and subcontractors.

For registration information for this forum, please contact:

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