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Manyimo Associates, PC is a privately owned MBE certified consulting engineering firm, serving both the public and private sectors. They provide design services, cost analysis, construction management, project administration, technical reports and support, as well as feasibility and energy conservation studies. Since incorporation in 1985, they have successfully completed more than 150 major projects with construction costs in excess of \$50 million. Steve B. Manyimo, PE, President of Manyimo Associates, PC has more than 25 years of experience. He received his MS in Mechanical Engineering from the Florida Institute of Technology and has produced studies for various governmental agencies including the VA, DOE, EPA and DOD. Steve is licensed in the states of NJ, PA and FL, and is a member of various professional associations including, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, ASHRAE and the National Society of Professional Engineers.

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Manyimo Associates, PC has also provided Electrical, Mechanical and Plumbing Engineering, as well as, Fire Protection systems design to its clientele for many years. One of the local public sector clients they have served over the years is the Camden Board of Education. They were the exclusive designer for the HVAC renovation and upgrading program. Manyimo Associates also designed numerous projects for the City of Philadelphia's Capital Program Office/Department of Recreation E/M systems.

Every assignment is met with one common goal - providing the highest quality of service as cost effectively as possible. Their team of professionals is committed to excellence as well as bringing a can-do attitude to all their projects. They ensure swift and consistent follow-up throughout the entire assignment, from the initial design phase to project completion. Manyimo Associates, PC can be contacted directly at (856) 433-8099.

"WE VALUE DIVERSITY"

US Labor Department seeks more than \$829,000 in back wages, proposes debarment of 2 contractors for work on New York publicly-funded housing projects

The U.S. Department of Labor has taken legal action to recover more than \$829,000 in back wages for 32 workers employed as demolition laborers by Enviro & Demo Masters Inc. and Gladiators Contracting Corp., construction demolition companies based in Brooklyn and Queens.

An investigation by the Labor Department's Wage and Hour Division District Office in New York City revealed that the companies and their officials had violated wage and benefit requirements of the Davis-Bacon Act and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act on two New York City public housing construction projects that were partially funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA). The investigation found that the companies had failed to pay prevailing wage rates and fringe benefits to some employees, failed to pay employees time and one-half their basic rate of pay for hours worked over 40 in a week, and submitted inaccurate certified payroll and time records.

In filing an order of reference with the department's Office of Administrative Law Judges, the Labor Department is seeking not only full restitution of all back wages due to the employees but also the debarment of Enviro & Demo Masters Inc.; Gladiators Contracting Corp.; the owner and president of both companies, Jover Naranjo; and Luperio Naranjo from working on future federally-funded contracts for a period of up to three years.

Enviro & Demo Masters and Gladiators Contracting were subcontractors to Lettire Construction Corp., which itself was a subcontractor on two contracts awarded by the New York City Department of Housing Preservation and Development for the following housing projects: The Ciena Project located at 30-324 E. 100 St. in Manhattan and Hobbs Court Project, located at 315 E. 102 St. in Manhattan. The prime contractors on these projects, which are part of the Metro North Rehabilitation Redevelopment Program, were Hobbs Ciena Associates LP and Hobbs Ciena Housing Development Fund Corp.

The Davis-Bacon Act requires all contractors and subcontractors performing work on federal and certain federally-funded projects to pay their laborers and mechanics the proper prevailing wage rates and fringe benefits as determined by the secretary of labor. In addition, the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act requires contractors and subcontractors to pay laborers and mechanics one and one-half times their basic rate of pay for all hours worked over 40 in a week.

FTA ANNOUNCES \$182.4 MILLION IN FUNDS FOR SEVEN MAJOR TRANSIT PROJECTS ACROSS U.S.

The Federal Transit Administration announced that it is advancing a total of \$182.4 million in New Starts funding for seven transit projects already under construction in New York, Dallas, Salt Lake City, Seattle, and Northern Virginia. The grants being awarded will not increase the federal government's overall share in the projects. Rather, a portion of the federal share for each project is being paid earlier than expected because of unallocated funds in FTA's Fiscal Year 2010 budget for new construction.

These projects—which include subway, light rail, and commuter rail—have already been given “full funding grant agreements,” documents that establish the federal government's share of funding as well as annual payment schedules.

FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF THE NEW STARTS PROJECTS:

Dallas – Northwest/Southeast Light Rail – Advanced Payment: \$17,788,000

This 21-mile extension, which opened December 3, 2010, provides transit service in heavily traveled transportation corridors. The line is expected to carry nearly 46,000 weekday riders by 2025. The project will cost a total of \$1.4 billion, with a federal New Starts share of \$700 million.

New York – Long Island Rail Road East Side Access – Advanced Payment: \$44,341,000

The NY Metropolitan Transportation Authority and Long Island Rail Road (LIRR) are constructing a commuter rail project that will link LIRR passengers to a new passenger concourse in Grand Central Terminal on Manhattan's east side. The 3.5 mile East Side Access (ESA) project, using an existing rail tunnel under the East River, will increase LIRR tunnel capacity across the East River and significantly relieve over-crowded conditions throughout the LIRR network. The project will cost a total of \$8.4 billion, with a federal New Starts share of \$2.6 billion.

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Northern Virginia – Dulles Corridor – Advanced Payment: \$19,799,000

The 11.7-mile heavy rail line will be an extension to the existing Metrorail system from just east of the West Falls Church station through Tysons Corner to its terminus at Wiehle Ave. in Reston, Virginia. The project will cost a total of \$3.1 billion, with a federal New Starts share of \$900 million. The Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority plans to design and construct a second phase of the project, which will extend the line beyond Dulles Airport into Loudoun County.

Salt Lake City – Mid Jordan LRT – Advanced Payment: \$20,623,000

The 10.6-mile Mid-Jordan LRT project will join with the Utah Transit Authority's Sandy/Salt Lake TRAX Line at the existing Fashion Place West station, providing a direct connection to the Salt Lake City central business district, the University of Utah, and other Wasatch destinations. When complete, the project will include nine stations, more than 3,000 park-and-ride spaces, and 28 transit vehicles. The project will cost a total of \$535.4 million, with a federal New Starts share of \$428.3 million.

Weber County/Salt Lake City, UT – Commuter Rail - Advanced Payment: \$16,500,000

This 44-mile, eight-station commuter rail project known as FrontRunner North began service in April 2008, providing the areas of Pleasant View, Ogden, Clearfield, Layton, and Bountiful with direct commuter rail access to downtown Salt Lake City. The project will cost a total of \$611.7 million, with a federal New Starts Share of \$489.4 million.

Seattle – University Link - Advanced Payment: \$22,686,000

Sound Transit is extending its existing Central Link light rail transit line from its northern terminus at Westlake Station in downtown Seattle to the University of Washington, 3.1 miles to the northeast. The University Link corridor is the most densely developed residential and employment area in the Central Puget Sound region and the state of Washington. The project is estimated to cost \$1.947 billion, with a federal New Starts share of \$813 million.

New York – Second Avenue Subway – Advanced Payment: \$40,667,000

This 2.3 mile project will provide extended subway service from 96th Street to 63rd Street in Manhattan, connecting with the existing Broadway Line at 63rd Street Station. The project will relieve overcrowded conditions and improve service reliability on the Lexington Avenue Line, the busiest transit line in America and the only full north-south passenger rail line serving Manhattan's east side. The project will cost a total of \$5.5 billion with a federal new Starts share of \$1.3 billion.

2010 Annual Contracts for DRPA

SERVICE PRODUCTS

CONTRACT STATUS

Trash Removal (Solid, Non-Hazardous) for <u>DRPA</u>	Bid Process - This purchase will be up for competitive bid in February 2011 .
Emergency Generator Maintenance for <u>DRPA</u>	DRPA may exercise its 2 nd year option in May 2011 .
Lubricants for Bulk Storage Dispensing System for <u>DRPA</u>	DRPA may exercise its 2 nd year option in December 2010 .
Hazardous Waste Removal for <u>DRPA / PATCO</u>	Bid Process - This purchase will be up for competitive bid in February 2011 .
Office Supplies Products for <u>DRPA / PATCO</u>	DRPA may exercise its 2 nd year option in November 2011 .
Unleaded Gasoline, Diesel Fuel, & #2 Heating Oil for <u>DRPA / PATCO</u>	Bid Process - This purchase will be up for competitive bid in February 2011 .
Fuel Tank Maintenance for <u>DRPA / PATCO</u>	DRPA may exercise its 2 nd year option in August 2011 .
Traffic Cones for <u>DRPA</u>	DRPA may exercise its 2 nd year option in June 2011 .
Moveable Maintenance Platform Maintenance	Bid Process - This purchase will be up for competitive bid in September 2011 .
Extermination Services for <u>DRPA</u>	DRPA may exercise its 2 nd year option in June 2011 .
Prescription Safety Glasses for <u>DRPA</u>	DRPA may exercise its 2 nd year option in June 2011 .
Measure to Fit Police Uniforms for <u>DRPA / PATCO</u>	Bid Process - This purchase will be up for competitive bid in October 2011 .
One Year Supply Bottled Water for <u>DRPA / PATCO</u>	DRPA/PATCO may exercise its 2 nd year option in February 2011 .
Office Paper Products <u>DRPA / PATCO</u>	DRPA/PATCO may exercise its 2 nd year option in August 2011 .



List of Annual Contracts for PATCO

For your information, we are providing you with a list of annual contracts for **PATCO**, along with their expiration dates. If you are interested in pursuing any of these contracts, please contact Thomas J. Zamorski, Purchasing Agent, **PATCO** at (856) 772-6914 or Stephen Suder, Manager, Procurement, Records and Stores at (856) 968-2142.

SERVICE PRODUCTS

EXPIRATION DATE

Industrial Refuse Disposal Services for PATCO..... July 2011
Lindenwold Maintenance Facility

Landscaping Maintenance for PATCO December 2011

Pest Control and Exterminating at PATCO..... January 2012

Upcoming Purchases for 2011

for DRPA

Nothing to Report

Questions regarding these or any other **DRPA** Purchases should be directed to Susan Squillace (DRPA Purchasing) at (856) 968-2163 or (215) 218-3750 ext. 2163.



for PATCO

Nothing to Report

Questions regarding these or any other **PATCO** Purchases should be directed to Thomas J. Zamorski (PATCO Purchasing) at (856) 772-6914 or (215) 992-4600 ext. 6914.

**THE FOLLOWING EVENTS ARE BEING HOSTED BY THE WOMEN'S
BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER (WBDC),
1315 WALNUT STREET, SUITE 1116,
PHILA., PA 19107-4711**

Pre-registration is required for all events listed, for more information please call (215)790-WBDC (9232) or fax (215)790-9231 or visit them on the web at www.womensbdc.org.

Orientation and Business Assessment Workshop – **Date:** Tuesday, January 11, Thursday, February 23, and Tuesday, March 1, 2011, **Time:** 6:00pm – 7:30pm, **Cost: Free** – this workshop is designed for women interested in starting or growing a business. Participants will complete a business development survey tool, discuss their business needs, learn about WBDC resources and meet other women business owners.

Finding Your Funding – **Date:** Tuesday, January 25, 2011, **Time:** 6:00pm – 8:00pm, **Cost:** \$10.00 – provides valuable information on financing options for your business.

JumpStart: “Before You Start” – **Date:** Thursday, February 10, 2011, **Time:** 5:30pm – 9:00pm, **Cost:** \$35.00 – the workshop will help participants assess their risks, financial issues, and commitment; evaluate their potential as entrepreneurs; and help them analyze their business skills and business ideas. JumpStart: “Before You Start” can be taken individually or as part of the JumpStart workshop series which runs on 5 Thursday nights from February 10 to March 10, 2011.

JumpStart: “Market Research” – **Date:** Thursday, February 17, 2011, **Time:** 6:00 pm – 9:00pm, **Cost:** \$35.00 – the workshop will teach prospective business owners how to assess the feasibility of their business ideas. “Market Research” can be taken individually or as part of the JumpStart workshop series which runs on 5 Thursday nights from February 10 to March 10, 2011.

JumpStart: “Financial Analysis” – **Date:** Thursday, February 24, 2011, **Time:** 6:00pm – 9:00pm, **Cost:** \$35.00 – the workshop provides prospective business owners financial basics critical to business success. “Financial Analysis” can be taken individually or as part of the JumpStart workshop series which runs on 5 Thursday nights from February 10 to March 10, 2011.

JumpStart: “The Business Plan” – **Date:** Thursday, March 3, 2011, **Time:** 6:00 pm – 9:00pm, **Cost:** \$35.00 – this workshop helps prospective business owners plan for growth and profitability. “The Business Plan” can be taken individually or as part of the JumpStart workshop series which runs on 5 Thursday nights from February 10 to March 10, 2011.

JumpStart: “Business Launch” – **Date:** Thursday, March 10, 2011, **Time:** 6:00pm – 9:00pm, **Cost:** \$35.00 – understand the legal, financial, insurance, employment and tax issues of starting a business. “Business Launch” can be taken individually or as part of the JumpStart workshop series which runs on 5 Thursday nights from February 10 to March 10, 2011.

FastTrac New Venture – **Date:** Tuesday, March 8, 2011 through Tuesday, May 10, 2011, **Time:** 6:00pm – 9:30pm, Series **Cost:** \$340 – a 10-module entrepreneurial training program designed to help you explore the profitability of your business idea through the development of a start-up business plan.



OBD&EO Information Corner

-  All interested subcontractors, subconsultants and suppliers are welcome to attend Pre-Bid and Pre-Proposal Meetings for DRPA projects, and briefly introduce yourselves to the contractors and consultants present. Information pertaining to these meetings is made available on our website at www.drpa.org/obdeo. Information on the project planholders and short-listed firms, can be found on the Bids and Contracts section at www.drpa.org. For more information call OBD&EO at (856) 968-2270.
-  Don't forget to visit OBD&EO's web site at www.drpa.org/obdeo for contract opportunities and other important information.
-  For upcoming events visit the **Other Events of Interest** section of our website.
-  Our next edition of *News Alert* will be published on or about:
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 - June 30, 2011
 - September 30, 2011

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