Office of Communications
Business Opportunities (OCBO)
Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

• OCBO advises the Commission, Bureaus, and Offices on issues pertaining to small businesses.

• OCBO performs Regulatory Flexibility Analysis pursuant to the Regulatory Flexibility Act and the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act to ensure that small business interests are fully considered in agency actions.

• Regulatory Flexibility Analysis includes Initial Regulatory Flexibility Analysis, Final Regulatory Flexibility Analysis and the publication of Small Entity Compliance Guides to delineate the impact of rules on small businesses.
FCC’s Supplier Diversity Workshop:

The Office of Communications Business Opportunities (OCBO) along with the Media Bureau (MB) and the Digital Empowerment and Inclusion Working Group of the Advisory Committee on Diversity and Digital Empowerment (ACDDE) of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) hosts events that bring together diverse business owners and entities in the communications industry.
OCBO works with the FCC’s Advisory Committee on Diversity and Digital Empowerment (ACDDE)
The Hope Global Forum is an annual conference hosted by Operation Hope in Atlanta, Georgia. It brings together business entrepreneurs, federal, state and local governments who share experiences and provide resources on business ownership. In the picture above (last person on the right), you will see Sanford S. Williams, Director of OCBO, speaking on a panel titled “Building the Beloved Community in a Smart City World.”
This event is designed to help educate and excite students and teachers about cybersecurity and STEM careers in the federal government and the private sector.
Annual Legislative Conference - Congressional Black Caucus (CBC)

OCBO staff exhibits at the Congressional Black Caucus at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center in DC.
Sanford S. Williams, Director of the Office of Communications Business Opportunities (OCBO) talks with Ms. Faith Bautista, President and CEO of the National Asian American Coalition (NAAC) on various topics related to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).
Annual Economic Forum
Sponsored by the National Asian American Coalition (NAAC) and the National Diversity Coalition (NDC)
OCBO Video Series: Did You Know?

A series of nine short videos designed to educate the public on topics pertaining to small, minority, and women-owned businesses and the various functions of the FCC Office of Communications Business Opportunities.
OCBO Activities During Covid-19 Pandemic

To stay connected, OCBO:

- Hosted a webinar on Access to Capital.
- Participated in a virtual exhibit hall with Operation Hope during their 2020 Hope Global Forum virtual conference.
- Assisted the ACDDE with an all-day virtual event: “FCC Technology Opportunity Supplier Diversity Showcase.”
- Sent out weekly updates that included links to virtual events, FCC news releases and public notices tailored to the women/minority-owned and small businesses.