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# Webinar with Ms. Krystal Brumfield

April 26th

MTA hosted two events in the last month including an Infrastructure Roundtable and a Business Insider Webinar. The most recent, Business Insider Webinar had esteemed speaker GSA Associate Administrator Ms. Krystal Brumfield where she discussed GSA's new actions and policies.

Some of which include a new equity and diversity initiative, two new committees on acquisition and green building. To see more specifics turn to page 2.

To see a recording of the event in the case that you missed it visit Mid-Tier's Website <u>here.</u> Inside, we also talk about:

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GSA

## **GSA Announces new Acquisition Committee**

#### April 22, 2022

The U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) announced plans to create a new <u>GSA Acquisition</u> <u>Policy Federal Advisory Committee .</u>

The GAP FAC will advise GSA on emerging acquisition issues and challenges, as well as opportunities to advance GSA's role as America's buyer. The committee's initial focus will be on driving regulatory, policy, and process changes required to increase climate and sustainability considerations within federal acquisition. GSA will solicit nominations for potential committee members, and selection will be made based on Federal Advisory Committee Act requirements and the potential member's background and qualifications.

For more detailed information about the GAP FAC and for information related to the submission of formal nominations, please see this <u>Federal Register Notice.</u>

## GSA Announces Nominations for Green Building Advisory Committee

April 22, 2022

The Green Advisory Building Committee was established in 2011 to help advise GSA on how the

Office of Federal High-Performance Green Buildings can most effectively accomplish its mission.

Right now GSA is looking for a qualified individual to serve on the committee.

To read more about the member responsibilities, required qualifications, and nomination process visit GSA's posting <u>here.</u>

To look at the LinkedIn Post <u>click here</u>





## GSA's Federal Acquisition Service Unveils Leadership Moves

### April 4, 2022

Starting April 24th there will be a shift in leadership at GSA's Federal Acquisition Service Committee. FAS Commissioner Sonny Hashmi outlined five personnel moves as part of his approach to improving customer experience.

## "These adjustments will allow FAS to take procurement innovation to the next level and improve the customer and supplier experience"

# GSA is committed to increasing Equity by 50% by 2025

### April 18, 2022

GSA announced steps to increase equity and diversity in federal procurement to hopefully reach the goal set by the Biden-Harris Administration to increase contracts given to small and disadvantaged business by 50% by 2025.

"Small disadvantaged businesses are the heartbeat of the American economy," said Federal Acquisition Service Commissioner Sonny Hashmi. "Our goal, and this Administration's goal, is to make it easier for small businesses to get in the federal marketplace and have them succeed once they are onboard."

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GSA has also established 5 commitments to reduce obstacles and improve small and disadvantage business outcomes to read more <u>click here.</u>

To read more about the equity plan <u>click here.</u>

To read more about the specific leadership changes being made <u>click here.</u>

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## Inflation keeps squeezing small and mid-sized businessess

## April 25, 2022

Inflation is the highest it has ever been in the last four decades, and while it is predicted to keep rising, the problem is further exacerbated by other issues occurring in the market. This includes the supply shortage, the Russian-Ukraine War, the continuation of COVID-19, and a labor shortage.

80% of small business owners said that the financial health of their business has been hurt by the rise in consumer prices in the last 6 months. And 91% say that the combination of all these issues is negatively impacting their business.

To read more <u>click here.</u>

# Things to look for in the coming months:

- *Ruling on Vaccine Mandate in the next month*
- Inflation
- New GSA Committees
- MTA's Next Event



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