

**Congress of the United States**  
**U.S. House of Representatives**  
**Committee on Small Business**  
2361 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-6515

**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
**March 11, 2014**  
**11:00 A.M**  
**Queens College**  
**Rosenthal Library, Room 230**  
**65-30 Kissena Blvd., Queens NY**

**TO: Members, Subcommittee on Contracting and Workforce**

**FROM: Richard Hanna, Chairman**

**DATE: Tuesday, March 4, 2014**

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The Committee on Small Business Subcommittee on Contracting and Workforce will meet for a hearing titled, *Underserved Small Businesses: Providing Access to Federal Programs*. **The hearing is scheduled to begin at 11:00 A.M. on Tuesday March 11, 2014, at Queens College, Rosenthal Library, Room 230, 65-30 Kissena Blvd., Queens, NY 11367-1597.**

As small firms seek to propel economic growth and job creation some segments of the small business community face substantial barriers to accessing federal programs and resources meant to aid them in this mission. This hearing will examine what barriers exist within underserved communities that limit access to federal programs. During the hearing, association experts and local community members will present evidence on the various challenges facing underserved entrepreneurs, and witnesses from the SBA will discuss the steps the Administration is taking to assist underserved small business owners. Further, the hearing will consider the needs of underserved small firms and assess whether they are being met in areas such as contracting, financing, training, and international trade.

If you or your staff has any questions, please contact, Corey Cooke, Counsel for the Committee, at 202-225-5821.