

KEITH LEE
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SWaM Business Office
Minority Business Coordinator



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Born and raised in Toledo, Ohio, Keith joined the US Navy in October of 1979 after graduating high school with honors. He took the Submarine track in the Navy and spent the next 20 years doing all things in support of U.S. Navy Nuclear Powered Submarines. After retiring from the Navy in 1999 I took a Procurement Professional position with Maersk Line Limited, a ship management company. He procured and shipped material to ships around the world. He spent 10 years at Maersk when an opportunity came to obtain a position with L3 Unidyne.

Again, as a Procurement Professional. In his new position he also was the U.S. Navy Supply Expert as L3 was authorized to use the Naval Supply System. Always looking for opportunity to grow he applied for a position with the City of Virginia Beach, and I was lucky enough to get a Buyer position I starter as a Buyer II and over the years was promoted to Procurement Specialist III.

Opportunity rose yet again to apply for one of the two Minority Business Coordinator Positions. As a procurement professional for the City of Virginia Beach you are required to engage small, women, minority, and service-disabled veteran owned businesses for solicitations. A task he enjoyed. This new position would allow him to take that one step further in support of that community as it is the backbone of our economy.