



Mentor Protégé Program (MPP) Protégé User Guide

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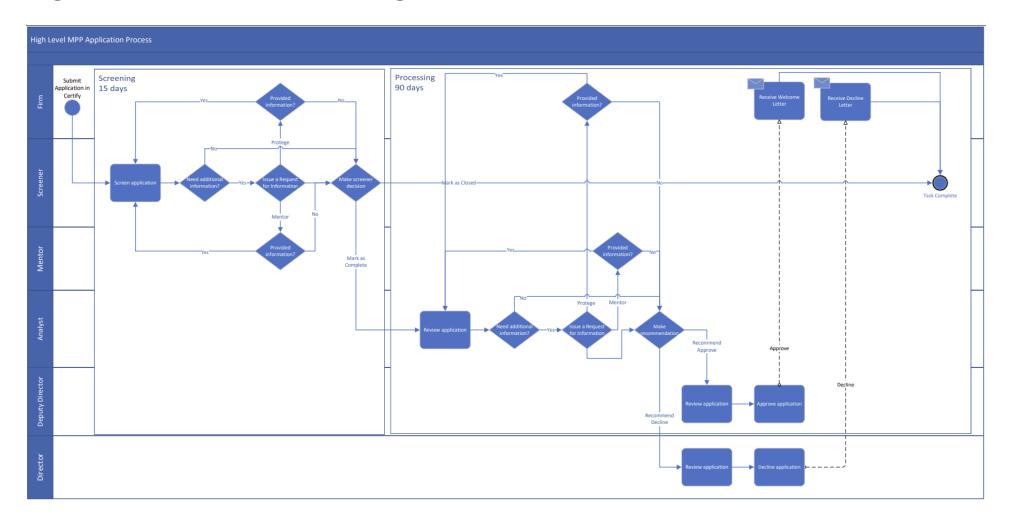


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High Level Business Process Diagram



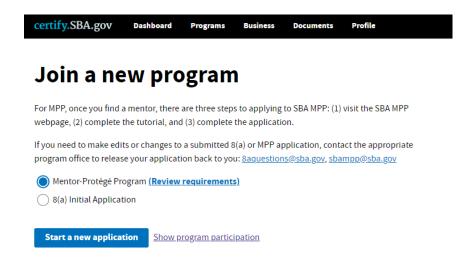


Start an MPP Application

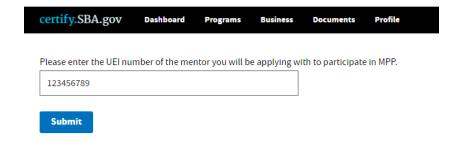
- 1. Log into your Certify Account.
- 2. Select **Programs** from the top navigation bar.



3. Select the Mentor-Protégé Program option and select **Start a new application**.



4. Enter the UEI number of the mentor you will be applying with



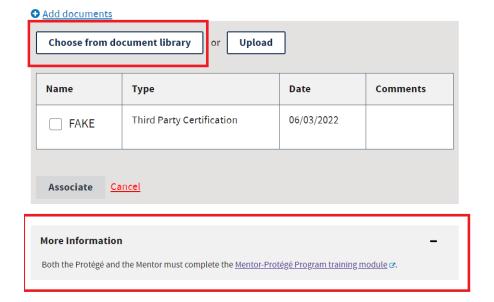
5. After reviewing the Purpose, Instructions, and Disclaimer on this page, press **Accept.** After accepting the disclaimer, you will be taken to the application.

Complete an MPP Application

For each question, provide your response and/or upload documents as required.
 Note the More Information text boxes underneath the question for helpful context to answer the question. Additionally, any previously uploaded documents, such as ones from a different application, can be associated with the current



application using the **Document Library**.



2. Press **Save and continue** to proceed to the next page. You may choose to come back to this section later but note that only the responses that have been saved will be stored. As you move from one page to the next, the system will provide feedback if you are ineligible based on the responses you provided.

In the case you are deemed ineligible, you may:

- Go back and change the response if your initial response was mistakenly submitted
- Save your application as a draft and return later if your circumstances change
- Discard your application



You are ineligible at this time

Based on the responses you provided, you are not eligible for this program because:

 To qualify for the All Small Mentor-Protégé program, the Mentor must be organized as for-profit businesses

If your response was mistakenly submitted, you may go back and change your response. You may also save your application as a draft and return later if your circumstances change, or delete this draft application.

← Go back and change your responses

Save the application as a draft and go back to your dashboard Discard your application

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- Once you have completed all the sections of the MPP Initial Application, click Review and sign.
- 4. Review your answers to the MPP initial application questions. You will have an opportunity to change answers to any of the questions on this page. Once you've completed the review, press **Submit**.
- 5. A pop-up window will appear to provide information about submitting your application.

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Please verify all the information in your application, and make sure you have attached all documents required. Once you click "Accept" on the following Signature page, you cannot edit fields or upload additional documents.



- 6. On the Signature page, read and accept all listed conditions of authorization by checking the boxes. Once completed, press **Accept.**
- 7. You will be directed to your dashboard and informed that your application has been submitted.





- 8. Once you submit your application, you will be re-directed to your dashboard.
- 9. MPP will review your application and you will be notified when your application is either closed, approved, or declined.
 - a. MPP will **close** applications primarily if the protégé does not respond to a Request for Information (RFI). If your application was closed, you may start a new application at any time.
 - b. MPP will **decline** applications that are deemed ineligible for MPP. The Decline letter will be available for you in the Documents tab in your Application Overview. If your application is declined, you must wait 60 days before starting a new application with the same mentor.
 - c. MPP will **approve** applications that are deemed eligible for MPP. The Welcome letter will be available for you in the Documents tab in your Application Overview.

View your MPP Application

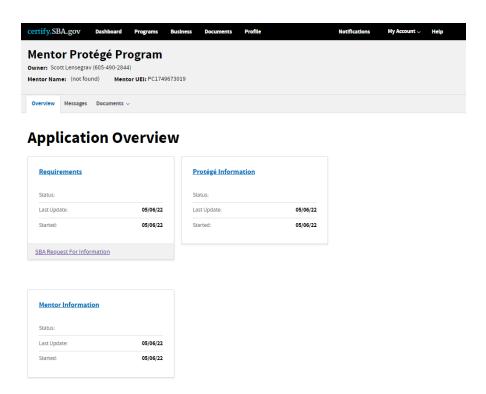
From your dashboard, you can view all your MPP initial applications and their current statuses in the Mentor Protégé section. To view an application, click on the link of the MPP Application you would like to view.



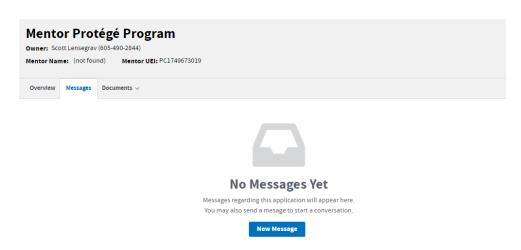
This will lead to the Application Overview which contains three tabs:



 Overview: The Overview page contains the submitted MPP Initial Application and is separated by section into 3 cards: Requirements, Protégé Information, and Mentor Information. Click into each card to view the questions and responses you submitted.



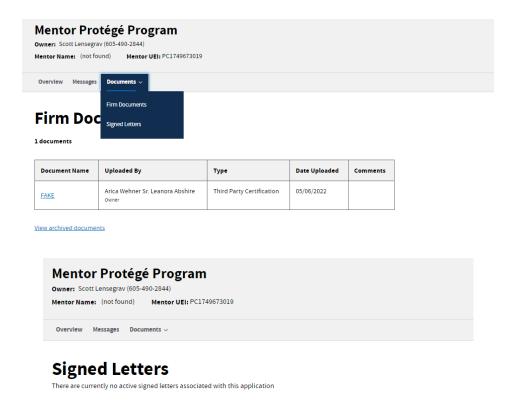
2. **Messages**: The Messages page contains messages that you will receive from MPP, which may occur after you submit your application.



Documents: The Documents page is a repository that contains firm documents
and signed letters. Firm Documents contains documents uploaded by the firm
during the application process. Signed Letters will contain the Welcome or Decline

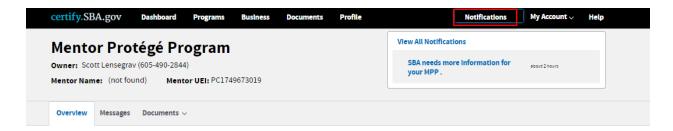


Letter signed by the Mentor Protégé Program Deputy after your application has been processed.



Respond to a Request for Information (RFI)

After you submit your application, an MPP Screener or MPP Analyst may require additional information from you to process your application. You will receive an email and in-app notification.



To respond to an RFI, complete the following steps:

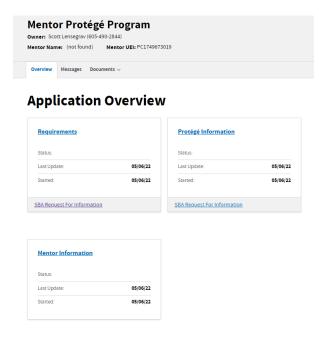
1. Select the MPP Application link from the Mentor Protégé Application package



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2. Click on the SBA Request for Information banner that appears below the card



3. Review the RFI to understand the information and the type of response requested. Click the **Submit Information** link.



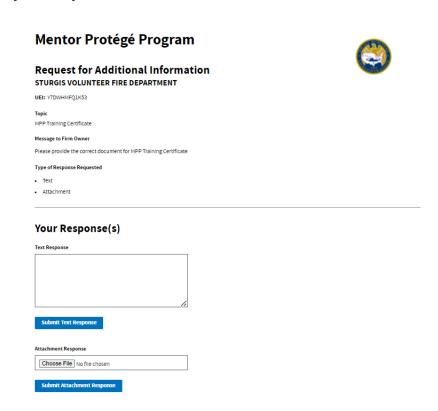
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Request for Additional Information STURGIS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

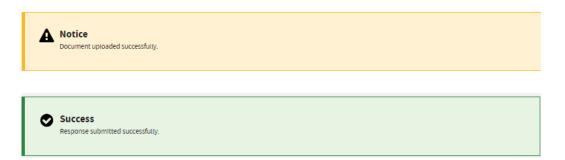
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MPP Training Certificate			
Message to Firm Owner			
Please provide the correct document for MPP Training Certificate			
Type of Response Requested			
• Text			
Attachment			
Requested on			
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Status			
Pending			
You have a pending response requested.			
Submit Information			

4. Depending on the type of response requested, provide a text response in the text box and/or an attachment by selecting **Choose File**. When completed, click **submit your response**.





5. Once your responses have been submitted, you will see banners that confirm your submission. Your responses have been returned to MPP and no further action is needed from you for this RFI.



View and Send Messages

After you submit your application, an MPP Screener or MPP Analyst may send you a message. You will receive an email and in-app notification. To view the message, select the **Messages** tab on your Application Overview and click the message.



To respond to MPP,

1. Select Reply.



Messages

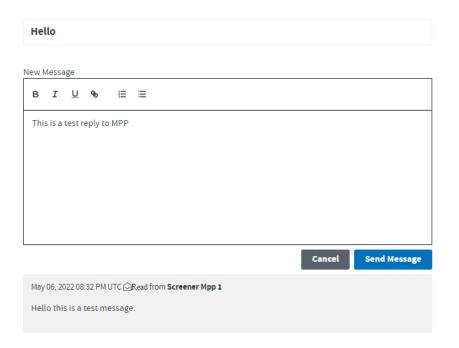
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2. Enter your message for MPP in the text box. Once completed, select **Send Message**.

Messages

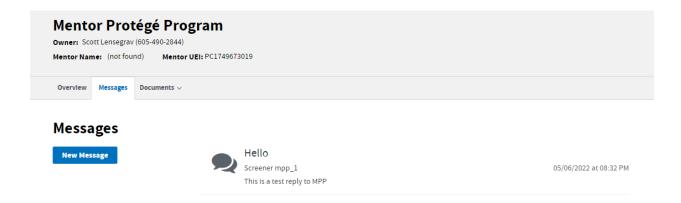
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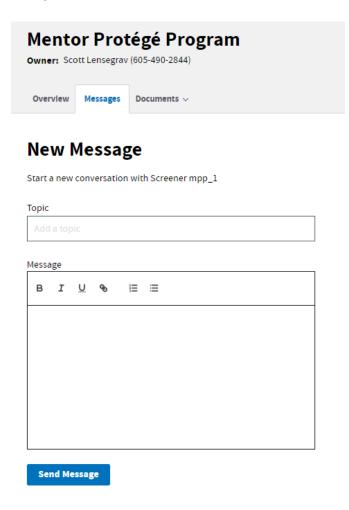
To create a message, the MPP user that is currently reviewing your application,

1. Select **New Message**.





2. Enter your message in the text box. Once completed, select **Send Message.**

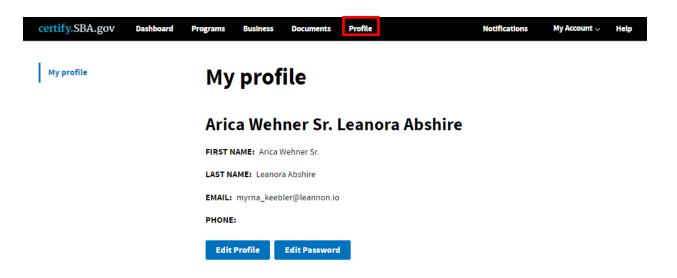


Edit Profile/Change Password

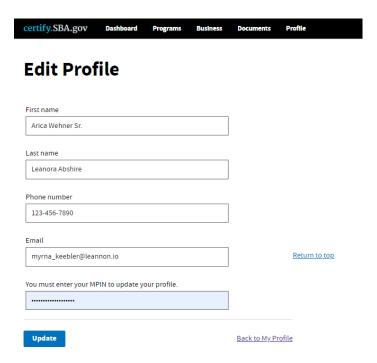
If you need to edit your profile:

 Select Profile located in the top navigation bar and select Edit Profile or Edit Password.



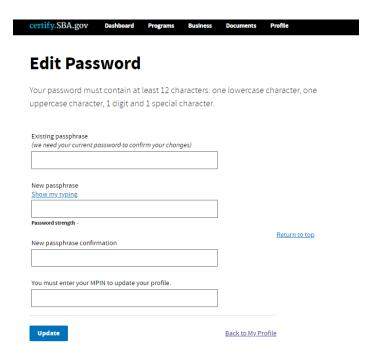


a. Edit Profile: You may choose to edit your name, phone number, or email. In order to update your information, you must provide you MPIN. For more information about MPIN, please visit SAM.gov. Once completed, select Update.



b. **Edit Password**: You may choose to change your password. Provide your existing and new passphrase. In order to update your password, you must provide your MPIN. Once completed, select **Update**.





Resources

For more information about the Mentor Protégé Program, please visit the following websites:

- https://certify.sba.gov/mentor-protege-program
- https://www.sba.gov/federal-contracting/contracting-assistance-programs/sba-mentor-protege-program

If you have additional questions about the Mentor Protégé Program, please email sbampp@sba.gov

If you have questions pertaining specifically to the Certify application, please visit the <u>Certify Help Desk.</u>

