Q: What is the data source for this directory?
A: The Anchor Supplier Directory is primarily built on a table of data from ReferenceSolutions.
(DataAxel's ReferenceSolutions is formerly ReferenceUSA)
- Accessible via Libraries, Government Agencies, Academic Institutions
- Aggregates 4,000+ telephone directories
- 250 new business sources
- Each business called to verify and obtain additional information about the businesses.

The rest of the information is value-added information from reports shared from licensed sources for diversity status information as well as from state and local sources for diversity certification. Partner experience is identified from the listings the St. Louis Anchor Action Network shared to add an indicator of business experience with any of our partners. The focus of the data/reference table is on the businesses in the STLAAN Footprint

Q: How can the results from the top table be exported so that I can use the information?
A: When your search results appear in the top table, right-click on an entry on the listing

Select Show as Table and something similar to the following should appear.
Hold the Ctrl (or Command) key down and left-click on each entry you would like to copy/export, you can select non-sequential entries.

Right-mouse click on an entry, and click on the Copy option, select Copy selection.

Open a blank spreadsheet and Paste in the first blank cell and your information should fill the sheet (see next image)
Q: How often is the listing of businesses and information updated?
A: We have stated we will update the base table twice a year. That means that we will get the updates from ReferenceSolutions via the St. Louis County Public Library system for the listing of verified businesses in the STLAAN Footprint. We will also add STLAAN Partner experience updates as well as cross-check and add information from the different sources for Diversity Certification.