



## Reducing Procurement Costs for Public Agencies

### Created By and For Public Agencies

The National Intergovernmental Purchasing Alliance (National IPA) was established through a collaborative effort of public agencies across the United States with the specific purpose of reducing procurement costs by leveraging group volume.

National IPA aggregates the purchasing power of participating public agencies across the country in order to receive larger volume discounts from suppliers. This is an optional program with no minimum purchase requirements.

### Serving Public Agencies

All contracts are solicited, awarded and held by a Principal Procurement Agency. National IPA serves as a nationwide channel to offer the awarded contracts to other public and non profit agencies.

Current Principal Procurement Agencies include County of San Diego, CA, City of Tuscon, AZ, County of DuPage, IL and Chicago Public School System, IL.

National IPA meets the needs of participating agencies through:

- ★ Establishing relationships with public agencies across the country who competitively solicit and award national contracts that bring savings and value.
- ★ Bridging the gap between agencies and suppliers for unparalleled customer service.
- ★ Incorporating agency input into contract strategies.



### Contracts for Public Agencies

Each contract offered by National IPA has been competitively solicited by a Principal Procurement Agency. All agreements allow universal contract utilization by public agencies or agencies operating for the benefit of the public.

Agreements available through National IPA are established with the following process:

- ★ The Principal Procurement Agency prepares, evaluates and awards a competitive solicitation, incorporating language allowing intergovernmental (i.e. "piggyback") contract usage.
- ★ All participating agencies are eligible to utilize the contracts through National IPA by registering at [www.nationalipa.org](http://www.nationalipa.org).

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