



From the Director

This month, on the 1st, we celebrate Colorado's 140th birthday! For Colorado fun facts and trivia, visit www.coloradoday.org.

The State Purchasing and Contracts Office is continuing with the pursuit of modernizing procurement for the State of Colorado. As required in House Bill 16-1451, the Department of Personnel & Administration is holding a stakeholder meeting on August 15th with subject matter experts, including businesses, vendors, labor organizations, legal professionals and state employees. Based on feedback at the meeting, there may be additional discussion on recommendations for improving the State's Procurement Code. Thank you for continuing to support this effort!

Wishing a warm welcome to Sherri Gibson, Purchasing and Contracts Services Director at the Department of Revenue, who was appointed to the Executive Procurement Advisory Committee in July.

Planning is in the works for the Fall PAC Summit. More to come on dates and location. Also, start thinking about who you want to nominate for the Excellence in Procurement Award!

Cindy Lombardi, CPPB

Director, State Purchasing and Contracts Office (SPCO)

Colorado eMarket Center Update

We are working with Price Agreement contractors to load their Price Agreement information in Colorado eMarket Center (Colorado eMC). Once we have enough data in Colorado eMC to test the system, we will be looking for volunteer purchasing test groups (one state agency, one political subdivision) to participate in pilot testing of Colorado eMC. Ideal test groups will have 25-100 users, at least some of whom make regular purchases via State Price Agreements. If your entity is interested in participating, please have your Purchasing Director email Sharon Meyer at

DPA_emarketcenter@state.co.us

Questions? Contact:

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Procurement

SPCO Staffing Updates

Please join us in welcoming **Ruth Allender** as the new Procurement Training Specialist!

Ruth will join the team on August 15th. She comes to us from Department of Revenue where she has been a Public Taxation Education Analyst since February 2014. She has a Bachelor's degree in Communications from the University of Northern Colorado with minors in both Journalism and Spanish.

Ruth's duties as the new Procurement Training Specialist will include creating a procurement training plan, working with subject matter experts to create training classes and coordination of all the training opportunities from the SPCO. She will also assist with procurement rulemaking processes and cross train with other members of the team.

We are very excited to have her on board!

Ruth's contact information is:

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Central Contracts Unit

Upcoming Training Dates

August 11-12, 2016

Fundamentals of Colorado
Procurement

September 29-30, 2016

Fundamentals of Colorado
Procurement

Both of these sessions filled up quickly
and are FULL at this time.

Questions? Contact:

[Christine Weber](#)

Upcoming Training Dates

August 30, 2016

Statutory Violations Prevention

September 13, 2016

Statutory Violations Prevention

Keep an eye out for the Colorado
Contract Improvement Team (CCIT)
emails with registration information
and more!

Questions? Contact:

[Challon Winer](#)

CCARDColorado - Commercial Card Program

Save The Date! The annual Citibank/State of Colorado training conference will be held September 27-28, 2016, at the Colorado Community College System Administrative Offices (1061 Akron Way, Denver, CO 80230). The conference will be a combination of presentations, program updates and hands on training. Registration information will be available soon. We hope to see you there!

Questions? Contact:

[Brooke Dunn](#)

State Price Agreement Updates

New

Body Armor

- [2016-0000-0000-0000-0197 - Armor Express](#)
- [2016-0000-0000-0000-0198 - GH Armor Systems](#)
- [2016-0000-0000-0000-0202 - Safariland](#)
- [2016-0000-0000-0000-0200 - Point Blank Enterprises](#)
- [2016-0000-0000-0000-0203 - Survival Armor](#)
- [2016-0000-0000-0000-0204 - U.S. Armor Corporation](#)
- [2016-0000-0000-0000-0199 - KDH Defense Systems](#)
- [2016-0000-0000-0000-0201 - Renegade Armor](#)

Educational Furniture

[2016-0000-0000-0000-0190 - Hertz Furniture Systems](#)

Educational Furniture - Lecture Hall & Auditorium Seating

[2016-0000-0000-0000-0196 - American Seating Company](#)

Renewal

Ammunition - Law Enforcement

[68004YYY01P - Accuracy Inc. dba Ultramax Ammunition - Speer and Federal Brands](#)[68004YYY02P - Professional Police Supply dba Adamson - Winchester Brand](#)[68004YYY03P - ProForce - Remington Brand](#)

Auto Parts - Light Duty

[2016-0000-0000-0000-0173 - Genuine Auto Parts dba NAPA Auto Parts](#)

Health Care Products and Services - Medical Supplies - MMCAP

[47500YYY03P - McKesson Medican - Surgical Minnesota Supply](#)

Hoists and Lifts, Vehicle Hydraulic

[07544YYY01M - Mohawk Resources](#)

Price Decrease

Consulting Services, LEAN Facilitation

[91832YYY05P - Point B, Inc.](#)

Reduced rates are effective through 04/30/2017 (contract end date)

Other Updates

Temporary Personnel Services

[96478YYY04P - Employbridge dba Remedy Intelligent Staffing](#)

Name change from Koosharem to Employbridge, dba remains Remedy Intelligent Staffing

SEE THE FULL PRICE AGREEMENT SCHEDULE HERE

News From Around The Procurement Community

The SPCO wants to recognize Daniel Findlay from the Department of Natural Resources who received an Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR) Patriot Award on August 2nd. He was nominated for this by his employee, Missouri National Guardsman, Capt. Brandon Kimble. Dan's flexibility, accommodation and support for Brandon's National Guard duty earned him the award. Read the full story below:

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CPW Manager earns ESGR Patriot Award

DENVER - Colorado Parks and Wildlife Manager Daniel Findlay, who oversees the agency's procurement section was honored with an Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR) Patriot Award, in a small ceremony in Denver, Aug. 2, 2016.

"Dan lets me use military leave without hassle, even when minimal notice is given for my National Guard duty," said Missouri National Guardsman, Capt. Brandon Kimble, a judge advocate with the 35th Combat Aviation Brigade based in Sedalia, Mo., in his nomination of Findlay. "In my work as a JAG officer, I've seen others who haven't had it as easy; manager support goes a long way."

Findlay accepted the award on behalf of his whole team, who he said willingly shares the burdens of extra work that come along when Kimble is away on duty.

"Brandon makes the sacrifice and we happily do what we can to support him," said Findlay.

Citizen warriors, like Kimble, defend and protect us at home and abroad. Colorado Parks and Wildlife values citizen warriors, like Kimble, and appreciates Findlay's flexibility and accommodation.

CPW also received a Statement of Support recognizing the agency's support of citizen warriors, like Kimble.

ESGR, a Department of Defense program, was established in 1972 to promote cooperation and understanding between Reserve Component servicemembers and their civilian employers. The ESGR motto is 'Together, We All Serve!'

Do You Have A Story To Share? [Email Us](#)



The Rocky Mountain Governmental Purchasing Association (RMGPA) has announced information for its 2016 Reverse Vendor Trade Show (RVTS)!

The event is on September 15th at the Embassy Suites in Colorado Springs, CO. The SPCO hopes to see you there!

For information and registration:

[RMGPA Website](#)

DID YOU KNOW?

The State Purchasing and Contracts Office has a **Supplier Diversity Liaison** who connects with vendors to provide resources and training on how to do business with the State of Colorado. Please contact Chelsea Bunker with any questions or feel free to send any vendor inquiries directly to her:
chelsea.bunker@state.co.us

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