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Joint Purchasing Program



DuPAGE
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CONFERENCE**



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ABOUT THE SPC

The Suburban Purchasing Cooperative is a joint purchasing program sponsored by the Northwest Municipal Conference (NWMC), DuPage Mayors & Managers Conference (DMMC), South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association (SSMMA), and Will County Governmental League (WCGL). Together the SPC represents 144 municipalities and townships in northeastern Illinois.

All public agencies as defined by the Illinois Governmental Joint Purchasing Act, as well as not-for-profit agencies that qualify under Section 45-35 of the Illinois Procurement Code, are eligible to participate in SPC joint purchasing programs.

ILL COMP. STAT. ANN §220/2. Definitions for the purpose of this Act: The term "public agency" shall mean any unit of local government as defined in the Illinois constitution of 1970, any school district, any public community college district, any public building commission, the State of Illinois, any agency of the State government or of the United States, or of any other State, any political subdivision of another State, and any combination of the above pursuant to an intergovernmental agreement which includes provisions for a governing body of the agency created by the agreement.

The SPC exemplifies the benefits of intergovernmental cooperation on a regional basis. The goal of the SPC is to combine the resources and purchasing power of governments and not-for-profit entities to jointly negotiate advantageous contract terms on a line of high quality products at the lowest possible price.

Economies of scale in terms of pricing and staff resources are the prime objectives of the SPC Joint Purchasing Program. By purchasing through the SPC, participants not only save money but time as well. Acting as an extension of the purchaser's staff, SPC staff works diligently in order to avoid the needless duplication of effort through in-house coordination of several functions involved in the procurement process.

Illinois statutes, 525/2 from Ch. 85, par. 1602. (Governmental Joint Purchasing Act), authorizes that any governmental unit may purchase personal property, supplies and services jointly with one or more other governmental units. All such joint purchases shall be by competitive solicitation as provided in Section 4 of this Act.

Since 2007, the SPC Program is centrally operated by the Northwest Municipal Conference with shared program oversight by the SPC Governing Board and SPC Technical Review Committee.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS PROGRAM

Product Information - Contract #205 Granite Government Solutions

The SPC is pleased to announce the award of Telecommunications Services Contract (#205) to Granite Government Solutions, Quincy, MA for one year with 4 possible, one-year contract extensions. The contract is effective December 1, 2021 through November 30, 2022.

Granite is a \$1.65 billion dollar corporation that provides voice, data and other related communications products and services to multi-location businesses and governmental agencies throughout the United States and Canada. Granite furnishes services to more than two-thirds of the Fortune 100 companies in the United States, and 1.75 million voice and data lines under management. It is a privately held company, with no outside investors and has zero debt.

Granite will help simplify and manage local and long-distance phone services with a single point of contact and one invoice for all locations. Granite provides a full range of advanced communications solutions, including Internet Access, SD-WAN, Wireless WAN, Hosted PBX, SIP Trunking, Mobile Voice and Data, Mobile Device Management, Managed Security and Network Integration, all in a single, seamless solution.

- Granite's public sector contracts include:
- Virginia Broadband Services Contract
- Arkansas Broadband Services Contract
- South Carolina Local Telecommunications Services Contract
- New Mexico Local Exchange Carrier Service
- New Mexico Long Distance Service
- Oklahoma Telecommunications Services

- Louisiana Long Distance Services
- Vermont Telecommunications Services
- Illinois Ethernet Services
- South Carolina Ethernet Services
- US Educational Technology Purchasing Alliance (USETPA) Approved Vendor
- Pennsylvania Department of General Services COSTARS Approved Vendor
- State of Louisiana State Implementation Plan (SIP)
- State of New York
- NCPA
- State of California Multiple Award Schedules (CMAS)

Billing is performed by Granite.

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