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## ***What's in a Title? CT State Agencies Need to Know***

More money is what's in a title when it comes to surplus state vehicles.

For years, due to various factors, state owned vehicles did not require a title to the vehicle, only a Certificate of Origin. However, when it came to selling that vehicle at auction, there were administrative issues.

“Working with DMV staff we are eliminating this problem by getting titles to all state vehicles right when they are purchased,” said DAS Supervisor of State Surplus Veronica Coty.

What's in a title? “When we surplus these state vehicles at auction, a clean title to a vehicle will generate more money than a vehicle with no title or only a Certificate or Origin,” said Coty.

“Our online auction website now reaches a greater number of customers around the country,” she added. “Before, we were mostly reaching customers in Connecticut and New England. Now that we are online, we need to have the title and all paperwork in proper order to make the sale quicker and easier for a larger number of customers. If everything is in order, we can generate a better auction price for the state.”

“Most importantly we need to let state agencies know that when they purchase a state vehicle they need to contact our office to begin the title process,” said Coty. “We are working to make this a more effortless process but for now it involves DAS, the agency and DMV.”

With that being said, if your agency purchases any new state vehicles, contact DAS' Veronica.Coty@ct.gov to begin the vehicle title process right from the beginning. It is important that we title any vehicles BEFORE they are registered. Once a vehicle is registered, creating a title negates the registration, which causes a lot of problems and a lot more work for DMV staff, so let's get them titled right away!

Another phase of the project is to get current state vehicles already on the road titled so when they do come to auction in the future, the process is much smoother. DAS Surplus Staff has already completed the project with DAS Fleet and are currently working with UConn and the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection to get their agency vehicles titled. Once they are completed, DAS Surplus Staff will be reaching out to other state to assist in getting their vehicles titled, as well.

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## **Contracts Awarded over the last 14 Days**

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**18PSX0001** Linen Rental & Laundry Services

**18PSX0046** Law Enforcement Motorcycles

**17PSX0174** Pharmacy Services, Pharmaceutical Consultant Services and Over the Counter Products

**18PSX0002** Remanufactured Transmissions and New Replacement Parts

**18PSX0013** Hatchery Fish Feed

## **State Supplier Diversity Certifications Issued over the last 14 Days**

The State's Supplier Diversity program targets at least 25% of the state's business be transacted with small businesses including those owned by minorities, women and the disabled. To participate, contact the Department of Administrative Services Supplier Diversity Office. Once certified, you can bid on contracts covered by the program as well as all other state contracts.

Use this link to see the companies the DAS State Supplier Diversity program has certified over that past 14 days.

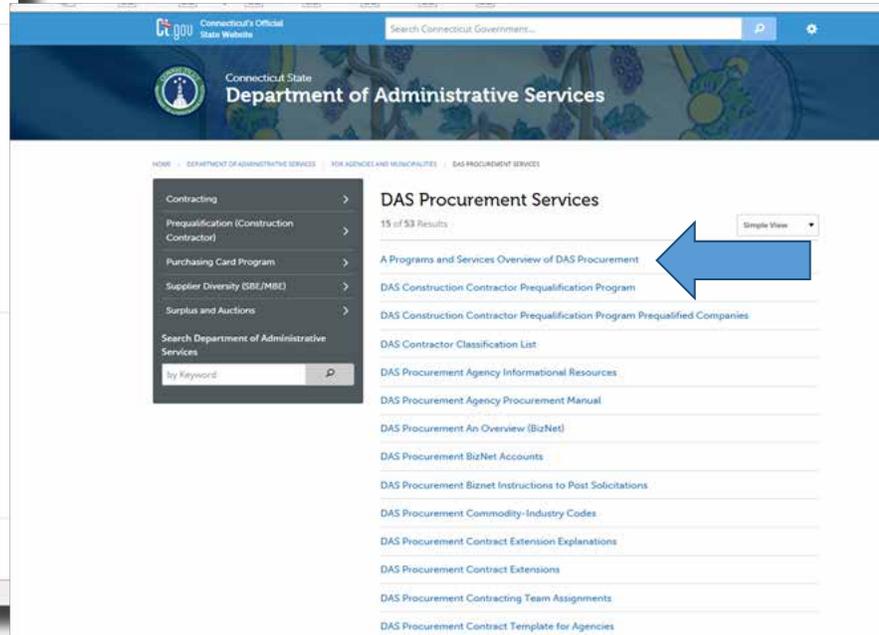
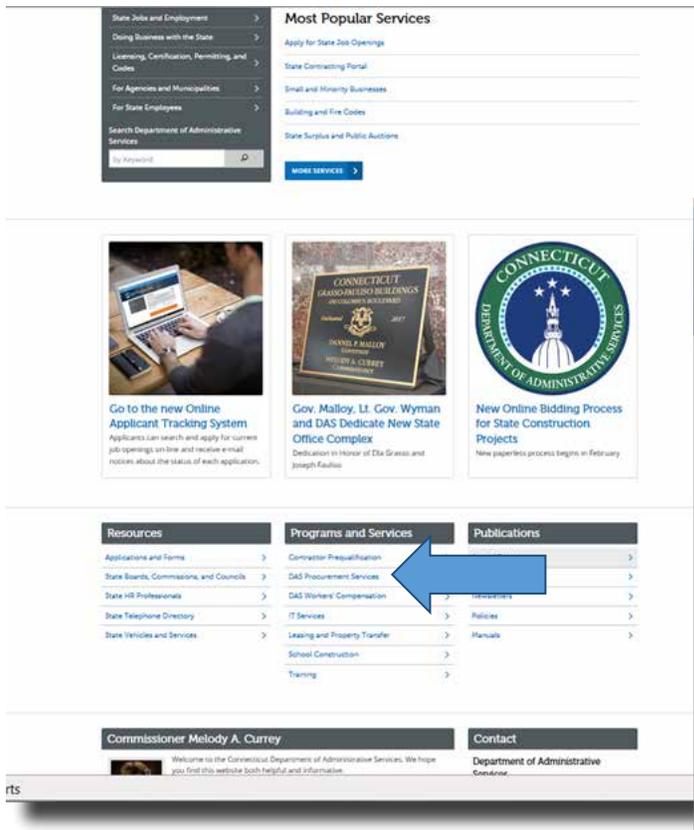
# We've Added a few NEW features to our DAS Webpage

DAS Procurement would like to introduce you to our new and improved website and walk you through finding the pages and information you need. Since the roll-out in late in 2017, we've recently improved the navigational tools and we hope you find this an easier way to access the DAS Procurement web pages.

From the DAS Home Page you can scroll to the bottom of the page and find Programs and Services. Please choose the link to DAS Procurement Services to get you to our main page (see blue arrow below).

Once you are on the main page, you have many options. Here are the easiest choices for navigation.

1. Use the gray box links on the left side for quick access to the Procurement program you are working with. All links pertaining to that program will be accessible from this page.
2. Use the first link on the DAS Procurement Services page, A Programs and Services Overview of DAS Procurement, for a breakdown of what each unit does, and a hyperlink within that page to each of those units (see below). If you have any questions about our new web pages, do not hesitate to contact us at 860-713-5095.



# CT Business Matchmaker

Thursday, June 14, 2018; 7am - 2:30pm ♦ University of Hartford, 200 Bloomfield Ave, West Hartford



## PURCHASING AGENT OPPORTUNITY

Make new connections with small businesses and contractors during a series of 10 minute 1-on-1 interviews. Open to Primes: Any company or government agency that subcontracts services and/or supplies.

### FREE for Prime Attendees

Registration opens January 10 at [hartford.edu/matchmaker](http://hartford.edu/matchmaker).

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-Mike Loiselie, Methuen Construction

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Manufacturers and General Contractors will have dedicated spaces to conduct interviews with small contractors and suppliers.

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