

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

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CTsource

From the Director

USGA

Contracts

CTsource is now your SOURCE for DAS Contracts!

Earlier this month, the CTsource portal replaced the procurement and contracting functions that DAS Procurement and DAS Construction Services performed in BizNet.

In an effort to encourage our customers to get comfortable with CTsource, we have implemented a website redirect to the CTsource Contract Board when attempting to access a contract in BizNet that has already been migrated to the new system. CTsource offers user-friendly contract search capabilities along with easily controlled filters to narrow your results.

Coming soon:

We appreciate your patience while we continue to adjust and enhance the CTsource website. Additional resources and FAQs will soon be available. Please



visit <u>www.portal.ct.gov/DAS/CTsource/CTsource</u> frequently, for the most up to date information.

Later this fall, DAS Procurement will be hosting a virtual training event which includes an overview of CTsource! Furthermore, agency onboarding seminars and more detailed training sessions will be held in the November/ December time frame.

Stay tuned for event details and registration information!

Questions related to the CTsource implementation can be submitted to: das.ctsource@ct.gov.

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Bid Notice Postings



A Message from Carol Wilson, Director of DAS Procurement

2020 has been quite challenging, to say the least! As you know, during most of the first half of 2020 our DAS Procurement team was focused on the acquisition of PPE for the COVID response in conjunction with the state's emergency support function 7 team (ESF 7).

During the emergency response, your agencies saw a new centralized model for procuring PPE evolve through ESF 7, and while the supply chain was severely disrupted and continues to be strained, this centralization of the ordering, receipt, payment and distribution of PPE enabled the state to leverage our total needs and secure masks, gowns, gloves and other PPE that wouldn't have been available to you through smaller orders. The ESF 7 team will continue to support executive branch state agencies with their PPE needs (masks, gowns, gloves, face shields) through December 2020. Requests for such must be made through your agency emergency liaison (through WebEOC): https://portal.ct.gov/DEMHS/Emergency-Management/Resources-For-Officials/WebEOC

We have found that cleaning supplies and disinfectants are more readily available now through our contract suppliers and we encourage you to order these products on your own through your normal procurement protocols. Do not hesitate to reach out to our Contract Specialists for guidance on the use of these contracts and any other questions. Please also visit our new State Contracting Portal (CTsource) for comprehensive contract searches: https://portal.ct.gov/das/ctsource/portal%20page

DAS Procurement is now adjusting to the "new norm" of telework, virtual meetings and other new online approaches to our business and we encourage you to call on us as needed. We appreciate your patience with our team as we refocus on your priority business needs. Thanks for your support!

U.S. General Services Administration Poster - Take a look.

Recently the <u>DAS Federal Surplus Program</u> was subject to a Dynamic Review to take a look at how our program is running. Shortly after, we also had a review with an Office of Civil Rights Equal Opportunity Specialist.

In speaking with the specialist, we were reminded that any agency in receipt of Federal items needs to have one of the attached posters posted. We are sending them out just in case you don't already have one, or if you'd like a fresh copy. If you haven't received any items from the Federal government through any program, you are not required to post it, although you are encouraged to regardless. If you're curious as to what the Federal Surplus Program is, you can learn more on our <u>website</u>.



Contracts Awarded over the last 14 Days

Click on the category to see the contract
Adobe Acrobat Required

20PSX0103 Fiberglass Hull Boat with Motor(s) and Fitted Transport Trailer



Don't forget DAS' Small and Minority Owned Companies

The DAS State 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, fill out an application with the Department of Administrative Services. Once certified, you can bid on contracts covered by the program as well as all other state contracts.

Learn more about the State Supplier Diversity program by visiting our webpage.

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