

# THE PROFESSIONAL EDGE

National Institute of Governmental Purchasing

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## NIGP

- Not For Profit Tax Exempt Association
- Founded 1944
- Exclusively Serves Public Sector Procurement
- Membership encompasses the United States and Canada
- 2,100 Governmental Entities – 12,000 Individuals
- Strong Ties to the International Community



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## Our Diversification

- Federal: United States and Canada
- State and Provincial
- Counties
- Cities and Municipalities
- K-12 Public Schools
- Higher Education Institutions
- Special Authorities (Transportation, Water, Electric)
- Hospitals



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## Our Mission

NIGP promotes and develops the public procurement profession through thought leadership, education and professional support services



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## Delivering Our Mission

- Life Long Education
- Professional Certification
- Research
- Technical Resources
- Networking
- Strategic Partnerships



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## Life Long Education

- Theoretical and Practitioner Based Curriculum
- Executive Certificate Program
- Pathways to Academic Degrees
- Emphasis on New Skill Demands and Case Studies



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**Professional Certification**

- Certified Professional Public Buyer (CPPB)
- Certified Public Purchasing Officer (CPPO)
- Recognition and Credibility
- Portability
- Promotions and Compensation
- Greater Authority



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**Research**

- Academic Partnerships through the Public Procurement Research Center
- Funded Research Studies to Determine Trends and Future Directions
- Journal of Public Procurement



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**Technical Resources**

- Web Based Information Sources
- Technical Specifications
- Product Solutions



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## Networking

- Electronic Discussion Lists
- Membership Connectivity
- Local and Regional Chapter Affiliates



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## Strategic Partnerships

- Higher Education = *Recognition and Legitimacy*
- Collegial Associations = *Advocacy*
- International Relationships = *Influence*



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