

Coalition for Procurement Reform



Who and What

The Coalition for Procurement Reform (CPR) is an organization of the nation's top roofing manufacturers, consultants, contractors and other interested parties. CPR's mission is to focus attention on the non-competitive bidding practices used in procurement programs by many school districts across the country. CPR advocates for open, transparent, fair competitive-bid practices in public procurement for construction.

Why

Responsible use of taxpayers' dollars on large capital improvements should require a standard process to evaluate the best value of work at the most competitive price in a given marketplace. This process is required by many states' laws, and is an accepted practice among roofing and construction companies.

In contrast, cooperative procurement programs specify a pre-determined supplier and pre-determined pricing for an extended period of time. No checks and balances for competitiveness exist within these programs, potentially costing taxpayers millions of misspent dollars annually.

CPR's proposed solutions encourage competitive bidding, increase transparency in the system, and most importantly, save taxpayers' money. At a time of severe budget constraints in most school districts, it is more important than ever that best value be received by the country's schools for all products and services.

Solutions

CPR advocates for the following practices in all public procurement:

- Construction and architectural/engineering services must be excluded from cooperative procurement programs.
- Prohibit any sort of remuneration or any "administrative" fee in exchange for contracts.
- Ensure that pricing analysis is done on an apples-to-apples basis.
- Prohibit the use of proprietary and exclusionary bid specifications.
- Require the use of professional services for specification development and contract administration, where applicable.
- Offer a minimum bid notification period of three weeks for both pre-bid and bid selections.
- Ensure that pre-bid and bid notifications are well-publicized and available for public inspection.
- Allow an arena for disqualified or excluded bidders to challenge the decision.
- Ensure that public procurement procedures adhere to applicable state building codes.

In summary, CPR advocates for public procurement processes that increase healthy competition, increase transparency in the system, and ultimately save taxpayer's dollars.

Join Us

Misuse of cooperative procurement hurts businesses and taxpayers alike. Join us in the fight to raise awareness and reform the public procurement process to safeguard competitive bidding for government projects and contracts for construction. A CPR Membership application is attached.



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Application for Membership

Purpose: The Coalition for Procurement Reform (CPR) is an organization whose aim is to change today's procurement processes and curb the wasteful spending that often accompanies these processes. CPR members include the nation's top roofing manufacturers, consultants, contractors, and other parties who oppose the non-competitive bidding practices that routinely occur in many school districts across the country. The CPR's proposed solutions would encourage competitive bidding, increase transparency in the system, and, most importantly, save taxpayer money.

Membership in the Coalition is open to any company, association, or individual that is legitimately interested in furthering the purpose of CPR. All membership applications are subject to the review and approval of the CPR Board of Directors, and CPR reserves the right to deny membership.

COMPANY/ORGANIZATION NAME

PRIMARY CONTACT

TITLE

PHONE

EMAIL

ADDRESS

By my signature *on behalf of the Company above*, I agree that the Company supports the Purpose of the Coalition and that all information in this Application is true, accurate and correct.



SIGNATURE

DATE

Please Check One:

- Annual Revenue UNDER \$1 Million
FEE: **\$750**
- Annual Revenue OF \$1 Million TO UNDER \$10 Million
FEE: **\$1,000**
- Annual Revenue OF \$10 Million TO UNDER \$50 Million
FEE: **\$5,000**
- Annual Revenue OF \$50 Million OR MORE
FEE: **\$10,000**
- Association/Chapters
FEE: **\$1,000**
- Supporting Individuals
FEE: **\$375**



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Please complete and send application with payment via:

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Fax: 703-435-4390

Mail: Coalition for Procurement Reform
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Reston, VA 20191

Dues will be invoiced upon approval of application.

CPR OFFICE USE ONLY

DATE APPLICATION RECEIVED

DATE APPLICATION REVIEWED

APPROVED

DENIED