

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA
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Procurement of Products and Services from Other Governmental Agencies (OGAs) including the California's Prison Industry Authority (PIA)

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Purpose

To establish a policy to facilitate the procurement of products and services from Other Governmental Agencies (OGAs), including the California Prison Industry Authority (PIA) for use by the County of San Diego.

Background

The County of San Diego collaborates with OGAs to accomplish our mission and provide services to the public. This collaboration includes both providing and receiving goods and services from OGAs. Many OGAs provide unique or specialized capabilities that can provide both effective and efficient delivery of goods and services to the County. The County can realize efficiencies and promote regional cooperation by procuring goods and services from federal, state, and local agencies.

Additionally, the Prison Industry Authority (PIA), formerly California Correctional Industries, has been serving California since 1947. Through its inmate labor program, the PIA produces a wide variety of goods and services for sale to federal, state, and local agencies.

A local facility and other State PIA facilities provide opportunities for the County of San Diego to purchase products and services at reasonable prices, while supporting the State Correctional System's goal to rehabilitate and provide useful work and trade experiences for its prison inmate population. PIA's pricing structure, while market competitive, is generally favorable to the government agencies which, like the County of San Diego, are continuously pressured by budget constraints.

Policy

It is the policy of the Board of Supervisors that:

- A. The Director of the Department of Purchasing and Contracting, is authorized to negotiate for and procure, without competitive bidding, products or services from OGAs which fulfill the requirements of the County, subject to either the determination that the procurement is a Single Source as defined by Board Policy A-87 or that the price and terms are more favorable than would be obtained through a competitive procurement. Additionally, any purchase from an OGA must include the determination that the price or cost of any goods or services is fair and reasonable.

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- B. County of San Diego programs are encouraged to consider the utilization of products or services produced by the PIA, whenever that product or service fulfills the requirements of the County.
- C. The Director of the Department of Purchasing and Contracting, is authorized to negotiate for and procure, without competitive bidding, products or services from the PIA which fulfill the requirements of the County, subject to the determination that the price or cost of any goods or services is fair and reasonable.

Sunset Date

This policy will be reviewed for continuance by 12-31-2024.

Board Action

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