ELECTRIC SCHOOL BUS NETWORK NATONAL FORUM

Purchasing with Sourcewell November 8, 2023





FORUM AGENDA

01. Intro to the Electric School Bus Network

NOVEMBER 8, 2023

- 02. Federal Funding Update
- **03.** Purchasing with Sourcewell
- **04.** Q+A with Mike Domin from Sourcewell
- **05.** Summary + Closing







ELECTRIC SCHOOL BUS NETWORK

The Electric School Bus Network accelerates nationwide school bus fleet electrification through peer-to-peer networking and dialogue-driven forum meetings for school districts, advocacy organizations, government organizations, and industry representatives. The ESB Network provides access to educational tools, resources, and subject matter experts to help support the electric school bus fleet transition.

In Partnership With:

+ CALIFORNIA HVIP



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Global organization transforming transportation for good



ESB NETWORK FORUM MEETINGS

- Previously called "working groups" now called forums!
- Forum meetings are not webinars; they are ongoing discussions where participation is encouraged
- Goal: Ease the transition to electrify school bus fleets nationwide
 - Facilitate conversations
 - Provide up-to-date information
 - Independent/Third Party Partner





ESB NETWORK FORUMS CADENCE

- National Forum
 - ESB Network National Forums occur every other month on the second Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time.
- California Forum
 - ESB Network California Forums occur every other month on the first Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. Pacific Time.





FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITY UPDATES





EPA FY22-23 DERA NOFO

- Now Open! FY22-23 Diesel Emissions Reductions Act (DERA) National Grants Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)
- EPA anticipates awarding a total of approximately \$115 million
- Deadline for submitting questions: Friday, November 10, 2023, at 11:59 p.m. ET.
- NOFO Application Deadline: Friday, December 1, 2023, at 11:59 p.m. ET.





EPA CLEAN SCHOOL BUS PROGRAM 2023 REBATES

- Now Open! EPA Clean School Bus Rebate Program
- The 2023 EPA Clean School Bus (CSB) Rebates program replaces school buses with cleaner, zero-emission models. This program has unique requirements and procedures, distinct from previous EPA rebate programs. Review the Program Guide for details.
- 2023 Rebates Application Deadline: January 31, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. ET.





PURCHASING WITH SOURCEWELL





Sourcewell

Cooperative Purchasing What's in it for you?

November 2023

Agenda

- What is cooperative purchasing?
- Why should I be interested?
- What do I do next?



Procuring what you need

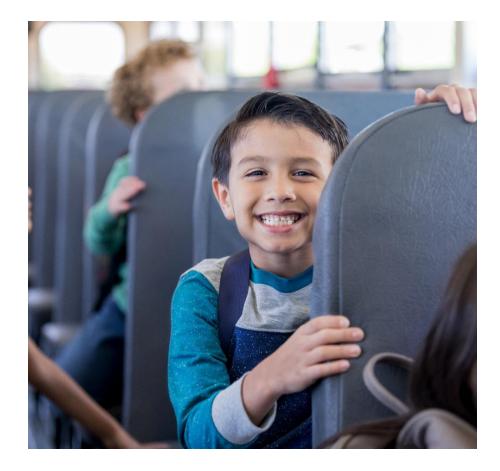
You have two decisions:

- What are you going to buy?
- How are you going to buy it?



Cooperative purchasing benefits

- Provides competitively solicited and awarded contracts
- Creates efficiencies and savings
- Get what you need, when you need it
- Enables you to work with local supplier



Cutting procurement in half

Purchasing process

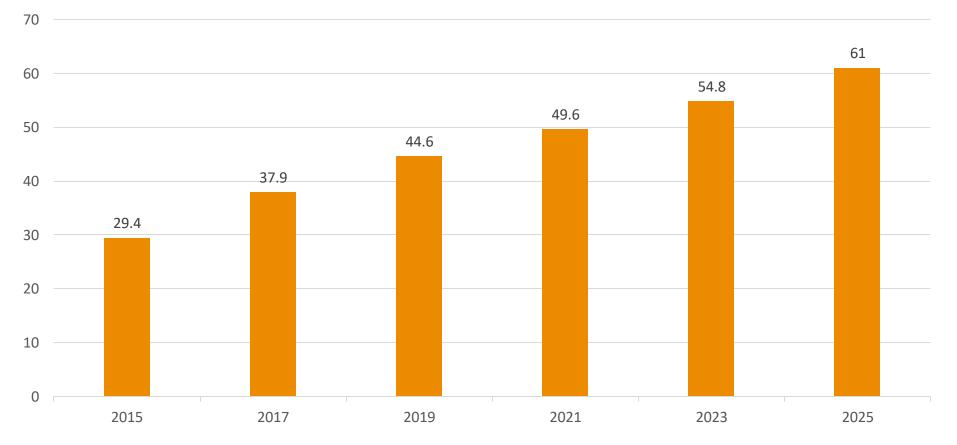
- Identify need
- Discuss with procurement
- Develop scope
- Advertise
- Proposal opening
- Evaluation
- Award contract
- Protest period
- Issue a P.O.
- Receive goods/services

Purchasing process with Sourcewell

- Identify need
- Discuss with procurement
- Use a Sourcewell contract
- Issue a P.O.
- Receive goods/services

National cooperative sales trend & forecast

Sales (Billions)



Awarded suppliers

School Buses

- Blue Bird Bus
- IC Bus
- Lion Electric
- Thomas Built



Additional contract categories

- EV charging stations & software
- In-vehicle camera systems
- Telematics & fleet management technology
- Parts, vehicle lifts & fuel dispensing solutions
- **Tires & fuel delivery solutions**
- Passenger vehicles (cars, trucks & vans)
- Fleet leasing & financing solutions

Advantages of Sourcewell

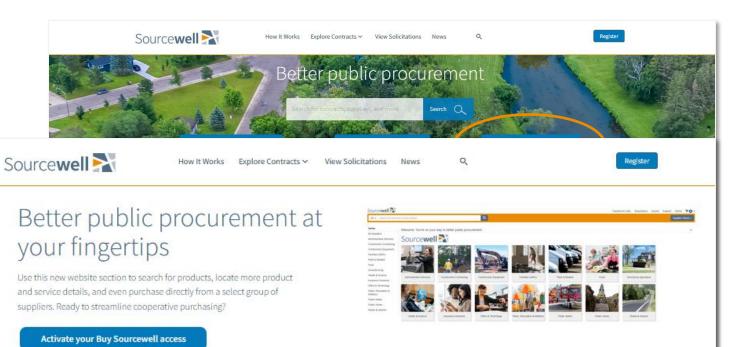
Satisfying the competitive solicitation requirements, <u>NOT</u> skipping them!

- Government
- Quick email/phone responses
- Assigned point of contact
- Accessible website

Try a new online experience

- Fewer clicks
- Better search
- Online purchasing





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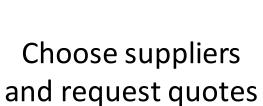
Next steps





Decide what

you need



Work directly with local supplier dealer or representative



Make purchase

Thank you!



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Q+A WITH SOURCEWELL

Please raise your hand or type your questions for our panelists in the chat!





SOURCEWELL RESOURCES

Purchasing with Sourcewell –

Suppliers and Contracts







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SAVE THE DATE

- Forum follow-up email will be sent **Friday**, **November 10**
 - Recording of the meeting
 - Copy of the slide deck
 - Sourcewell links
- ESB Network Newsletter will be sent on **Tuesday**, **November 14**
 - State funding updates included
- Mark your calendars for the next National Forum:
 - Wednesday, January 10, 2024, from 2:00–3:00 p.m. ET
- Please email schoolbusteam@calstart.org with questions



