

STATE USE NEWS

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THE STATE USE PROGRAM

The State Use Program celebrated its 38th anniversary in 2016. The program allows the state to contract with qualified not-for-profit agencies serving persons with severe disabilities through a competitive bidding process, such as invitation for bid or request for proposal.

The State Use Program, operated by the Office of Management and Enterprise Services Central Purchasing division, facilitates contracts between the State of Oklahoma and qualified not-for-profit agencies. Those contracts provide meaningful long-term employment and job training for persons with disabilities.

Proposed procurements are independently reviewed, evaluated and approved by the State Use Committee, an eight-person panel comprised of state agency and public members, to assure fair pricing and quality goods and services.

Qualified not-for-profit agencies provide a wide variety of services to the state, such as laundry, janitorial and recycling services, to name only a few. Additionally, these qualified not-for-profits also produce needed commodities like printer/copier toners, binders, hand sanitizers and more.

The not-for-profit agencies are constantly looking for ways to expand their job bases and employment opportunities. We look forward to each year's final reports to see the growth and continued employment for the severely disabled citizens of the State of Oklahoma.

TITLE 74

Title 74 is important legislation which provides employment opportunities for Oklahomans with severe disabilities. Seventy-five percent of all work performed on State Use contracts must be performed by people with severe disabilities. A 1 percent levy is assessed on all contracts awarded through the State Use Program.



BENEFITS OF THE PROGRAM

You get quality products and services at a fair market price. Our vendors also guarantee on-time delivery and we can assist with any questions along the way.

The program benefits your community by alleviating the public assistance burden the state faces. As a result of the State Use Program, participants' earned income rises, displacing government assistance and reducing the need for state and federal programs.



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A MESSAGE FROM STATE USE ADMINISTRATOR DARON HOGGATT

We are still adding new vendors, products and services. The mission of the State Use Program is to employ people with severe disabilities. Bringing on new vendors, products and services helps Oklahoma accomplish this goal.

Utilizing Talents

Each individual has a unique and specific combination of skills, abilities and characteristics that makes them a valuable, potential contributor to the general workforce. The Oklahoma State Use Program is dedicated to ensuring that all individuals get equal opportunity to display and utilize their talents in programs that provide growth and learning.

Satisfying Needs

The Oklahoma State Use Program provides a means for individuals with disabilities, who otherwise would not have the opportunity, to go to work. The benefits do not stop with the individuals: the state receives goods and services provided; local communities gain additional commerce and an increased tax base; and general industry gains an increase in trained, capable and proficient workers.

Empowering Individuals

Every Oklahoman deserves the right to independence, choice and opportunity. The Oklahoma State Use Program provides a platform for which individuals are able to use their employment to help achieve those basic goals. A collaborative effort by the state and the business community to include all people in its plans and initiatives can, will and is changing the lives of individuals every single day.

– Daron Hoggatt



David Oliver

Goodwill Industries, appointed by the governor

Travis Monroe

OMES, appointed by OMES director

Jim Kettler

Director Visual Services, Department of Rehabilitative Services

William Smith

Kiamichi Industries, appointed by Oklahoma Community-Based Providers

Robin Arter

Parent of individual involved in Sheltered Work Center, appointed by State Use Committee

Regina Chace

Program supervisor OKDHS, appointed by OKDHS director

Jerry Tate

Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, appointed by state purchasing director

Daron Hoggatt

State Use administrator and contracting officer, OMES Central Purchasing

The State Use Mandatory Contract Quick Reference Guide is located at www.ok.gov/DCS/documents/StateUseQuickRefGuide.pdf



VENDOR HIGHLIGHT

We love ALL of our vendors and could not highlight just one this month! Here's a collection of pictures and some facts from FY 16.



When using the program, the state gains a 25 percent economic advantage.

State agencies spent \$27,565,037.76 on State Use Contracts.

Objective is to employ persons with severe disabilities. In 2015, the program employed 2,025 people who worked 1,272,552 hours.

The State Use Program collects a 1 percent levy fee from every sale that our vendors make from products sold or services performed for state government.

With over \$27 million sold last year, the State Use Program collected nearly \$280,000 and, more importantly, helped to employ over 2300 individuals with severe disabilities in the State of Oklahoma.



IMPORTANT DATES

State Use Committee Meetings

Oct. 5, 2016

Dec. 7, 2016

All meetings start at 1:00 p.m.

It's not just a purchase... it makes a better Oklahoma!

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