Dear Utah Chapter NIGP Members,

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I can’t believe that we’ve hit August already, with school soon to be in session! I love seeing all of the school supplies in the stores and our students getting ready to learn once again. We too need to capture the excitement they hold and look forward to our own learning opportunities. We hope you will plan to join us for one or all of the many learning opportunities we have available coming soon:

**Chapter Sponsored Virtual Courses:**
August 10, 2021 (1/2 Day): Competency Module- Specification Development
October 12, 2021 (1 Day): Competency Module- Cost, Price & Value Analysis

**Brown Bag Learning Series:**
August 19, 2021: Purchasing 101 The Purpose of Teamwork

**NIGP Forum (Virtual):** August 23-26, 2021. For more information, please visit [https://www.nigp.org/events/annual-forum-and-products-exposition](https://www.nigp.org/events/annual-forum-and-products-exposition)

**NIGP Forum Leadership Summit:** September 11-14, 2021 in Anaheim, CA. Seating is limited but still available. Registration is available at [https://www.nigp.org/events/annual-forum-and-products-exposition](https://www.nigp.org/events/annual-forum-and-products-exposition).

**Utah Chapter of NIGP Fall 2021 Virtual Procurement Conference:**
September 16, 2021, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm MDT. Please remember to register on the chapter website!

We are thrilled to announce that we plan to have an in-person Reverse Trade Show next year on Thursday, May 19, 2022 at the Mountain America Expo Center in Sandy, UT. Please save the date on your calendars and plan to join us. We’ll have great speakers and presenters, as well as the opportunity to meet hundreds of vendor and manufacturer representatives.

Please let us know of any additional learning opportunities you would like to see in our chapter. We want to make your membership in our chapter a valuable tool in your professional development toolbox. If we can expand or try something different that would help you in your position or agency, please contact anyone on the chapter board. We would love to hear your ideas!

We are soon coming upon election season! If you would like to run for an office or as part of our Board of Directors, please let us know! We will have a few positions available and we would love to have you join us. Please contact myself or Brooke Smith if you are interested in serving. It is a fantastic opportunity to get to know your fellow members and create lasting professional network connections.

Thank you for your membership and for spending some of your valuable time each month with us. Each of you are what makes our chapter a success.

Yours Sincerely,
Tonya Hodges, President
November 18, 2021.
Time TBD.

**Future Brown Bag Learning Series**
August 19, 2021.
Please see more information below.

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**Topic 1: Purchasing 101**
Presenter: Ann Schliep
Summary: Everything good in Purchasing goes back to the basics.

**Topic 2: The Purpose of Teamwork**
Presenter: Cherilyn Hess
Date: August 19, 2021
Time: 12:00 - 1:00 PM
Register here.

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**Members Making History**
**NEWEST NIGP-CPP Certification Recipients**
Tyler Barnes with the Salt Lake City School District and Zac Christensen with the Utah State Board of Education have passed the NIGP-CPP Test.
Congrats to Tyler Barnes and Zac Christensen for passing the test!!!!!!!!!!
SUU is offering the following courses at no cost.

1. Systems Management (Click here to learn more)
   This 14-week certificate program in systems-based operational approaches is tailored to those committed to continuous organizational improvement and developing valuable managerial skills.

2. Project Management (Click here to learn more)
   This program prepares participants to become certified through PMI with the globally recognized Certified Associate in Project Management (CAPM®) credential.

Members Making History
Kai Turner of UDOT has accepted the position of Director of Procurement for Oregon Department of Education.
Congrats to Kai on his new job!!!!!!!!!!!!!
The Utah Chapter of NIGP

2020-2021 Board of Directors
Agency Award for Outstanding Contribution
to the Chapter & Profession
APPLICATIONS NOW BEING ACCEPTED!!
This is a great way to celebrate and recognize the contributions of procurement professionals and their supporting agencies throughout the state of Utah.
Please see the application document below.

Application for 2020-21 Agency Award

**Purpose:** This award is presented to procurement agencies in Utah who has demonstrated outstanding professionalism and contributed significantly to the advancement of the public procurement profession and professional development during the past calendar year.

**Format:** All nominations must be completed on the official application form (below). Attach additional sheets as needed.

**Deadline:** Completed nomination are due by 5:00 p.m. on October 1, 2021.

**Return to:** Send all completed forms to Brooke Smith at bsmith@murray.utah.gov.

We need you!!!
We are looking for volunteers for the 2022 Reverse Trade Show Committee and a committee to review the procurement code test which could result in a certificate.
If you are interested, please send an email to president@nigputah.org.

Are you doing something AWESOME in procurement or life in general? Let us know. Life is short, we would love to celebrate your success!

For newsletter submissions, recommendations, or comments, please email Cat Turner at Caturner@utah.gov.

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