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VISION	To be the leading Chapter of NIGP: The Institute for Public Procurement by promoting the development of public procurement professionals throughout Central Florida.
MISSION	Provide our chapter members with opportunities for professional development and the exchange of best practices.
CORE VALUES	<p>The Central Florida Chapter of NIGP shall adhere to the following core values:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ethics 2. Integrity 3. Professionalism 4. Diversity 5. Education and Professional Growth 6. Service to Stakeholders



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Chapter Members,

Chapter Membership Meeting: Join us for the Friday, May 13, 2022 Chapter Membership Meeting. This is a hybrid meeting, virtual and in-person. Our presentation is by Nick Canjar with the City of Palm Bay, about communications strategies within the Procurement industry. Register on our website www.cfcnigp.org.

Family Day: Join us on Saturday, May 14, 2022 11 AM – 3 PM for a Family Day picnic for our members and their families at Secretary Katrina Ponzini's house in St Cloud. We will have swimming, horseshoes, corn hole, trampoline, and food! Bring your own chairs, towels, and bathing suits. There is enough space to spread out and she has a few canopies for shade. Register on our website www.cfcnigp.org.

Scholarship for Virtual NIGP Forum 2022: The Chapter has sponsored ten (10) active Chapter members to attend Virtual NIGP Forum, August 22 - 24, 2022. The sponsorship is limited to one (1) registrant per agency, requires manager approval, and requires attendees to share their virtual NIGP Forum experience in our newsletter. Approved registrants will be announced at our Friday, May 13, 2022 Chapter Membership Meeting.

AmazonSmile: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/59-3611992>. CONTEST: Win a \$25 Amazon Gift Certificate! Use the Chapter's AmazonSmile account. Provide a screenshot of your AmazonSmile Impact Summary you're your account to president@cfcnigp.org on or before December 1st. The Chapter Member with the highest generated amount to the Chapter will WIN! Amazon donates 0.5% of your eligible purchases to the Chapter! Please link your Amazon account to the Chapter's AmazonSmile program, <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/59-3611992>.

Logo and Branding Standards: The Board of Directors unveiled our new Chapter logo at the March Membership Meeting. We are interested in your comments and feedback. We are also working on new Chapter Branding Standards!

Pro-D Committee: Are you interested in hosting a virtual or in-person professional development class through the Chapter? The Chapter member that is the course facilitator attends for free! Contact Lisa Kesecker at (407) 870-4622 or Lisa.Kesecker@osceolaschools.net with any further questions or to begin the seminar scheduling process. With a variety of classes to choose from, visit the NIGP website for course information at: www.nigp.org.

Study Group Committee: The study group meets at 11:00 AM on Fridays for an hour via MS Teams. Interested parties should reach out to Nick Canjar at james.canjar@pbfl.org or 321-952-3424 (office phone) and he will respond with the information needed to join the study group.

Mentoring Committee: If you are interested in being a mentor or a mentee, please contact Chair Kristine Rodriguez at Brevard County Schools at Rodriguez.Kristine@Brevardschools.org and 321-633-1000 ext. 11645. Do you have questions or answers on procurement or Chapter matters? This is great opportunity to build a relationship with another member! We are looking for both mentors and mentees.

Committees and Engagement: Thank you to our members that engaged in our committees and task forces. I will continue to reach out to our chairs to listen to ideas, discuss responsibilities, and offer assistance. We benefit from having active volunteers. Please do not hesitate to contact me or other board members with any questions or suggestions.

Tabatha Freedman, MBA, NIGP-CPP, CPPO, CPPB
2022-2023 President
president@cfcnigp.org



GET TO KNOW YOUR 2022/2023 CHAPTER OFFICERS



GET TO KNOW YOUR OFFICERS

PRESIDENT

Tabatha Freedman, MBA, NIGP-CPP, CPPO, CPPB

Hi,

If you are new to the chapter or have been with us awhile, welcome!

I am the current Chapter President. This is such an honor as I've been blessed to be on the Board since 2014 and have worked with some amazing people. Yes, you do have time for other activities, even if you are an Officer!

I spend time with my kids and grandkids, and my baby girls, Chihuahua pups. On any given weekend, I may be saltwater inshore and offshore fishing with my hubby, or at a Disney park with good friends. During the week, I am located at the County of Volusia Purchasing and Contract Department with an incredible team.

Thanks for reading this! Tabatha



VICE PRESIDENT

Chris Coghill, NIGP-CPP, CPPO, CPPB

Hello friends! I hope you all are having an amazing 2022 so far. The officers talked about ways to try to get to know our chapter members so what better way than to let you all know who we are!

I have been in the industry since 2003, beginning at Polk County BoCC. I've since experienced procurement life at a special district, a school board, and now a city. Well rounded, thank goodness! I have a better understanding of the differences our various agencies encounter; I believe it has helped me become a better procurement professional!

I am a very proud mother of two, Megan who is 28 and Nathan who is 25. They are the loves of my life along with my great nephews Rylan (aged 4) and Levi (aged 2). We have an average sized family though we've been adopted by my younger nephew's wife's family which translates into large gatherings (she has 5 sisters and 2 brothers!).

I'm a devoted Disneyite and try to visit the various parks multiple times a year with my girls, Carrie, Zulay, and Diane. I'm a voracious reader just like my mother, though she is a die hard book fan and I'm an e-book fan.

I'm passionate about our professional and am happy when I'm able to serve. Besides being your vice president, I am currently on NIGP's Leadership Development Committee.

Come and say hi at our next gathering! Let me know what I can do for you!



GET TO KNOW YOUR OFFICERS (CONTINUED)

TREASURER

Sean Hynes, NIGP-CPP, CPPB

Hi CFC Members!

It has been very rewarding serving the chapter as treasurer these last few months and I look forward to the rest of the year! I have been a part of the chapter since 2017 after joining the Procurement team at Brevard School Board in December of 2016. I have since moved over to Distribution where I oversee the disposal of all the surplus property I was previously procuring. Its amazing seeing how much someone will pay for an item that looks like complete junk to me!

When I'm not working or performing CFC duties my family and friends keep me plenty busy. My oldest daughter is a freshman at UCF (Go Knights Charge On!), and my youngest is a junior in high school. As a family we enjoy camping at Florida's various springs, most recently we visited Fanning, Manatee, and Ichetucknee Springs near Gainesville. Other than camping, my wife and I enjoy immersing ourselves in fantasy worlds through television, books, video games, and tabletop games. Lord of the Rings, Game of Thrones, and Marvel are just a few of our favorite worlds.

Anyway, thanks for reading this little blurb about me. Hope to see you at our next meeting!



SECRETARY

Katrina Ponzini, M.Ed.

Hello, CFC Members!

It has been a rewarding, yet challenging, experience serving as your chapter secretary over the past two years. If the pandemic taught me anything, it was to value the relationships you make each and every day.

Prior to entering the world of public procurement, I worked as a purchasing coordinator for the largest stage lighting company in North America for roughly five years. I had the chance to be involved in many concert tours and Broadway shows. I joined the purchasing department at Osceola County Public Schools in September of 2017, the Chapter in January of 2018, and began my role as your secretary in January 2019. In February 2022, I earned my Master of Education in Educational Business Administration with a Focus of Study in School Business Official and am currently studying for my CPPB.

In my spare time I love nothing more than spending time with my husband, Al, and our 10 year old daughter, Shaelynn. My daughter is a competitive volleyball player, so many of my nights and weekends are spent as a taxi driver/cheerleader! We bought our dream home in 2015 and have been busy filling it with memories and animals! We have two dogs, one three-legged cat, eleven chickens, one aquatic turtle, and coming in the next eight weeks, we are officially the owners of a kunekune (meaning "fat and round") pig!

I look forward to sharing my home with you on Family Day and seeing you at our next Chapter meeting!



PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE MESSAGE

The Programming Committee is hard at work, securing speakers and topics that are front-burner issues for all of us.

In May, we'll hear from Nick Canjar, City of Palm Bay, about communications strategies he's helped develop and manage which is critical to how we do business.

In July, we'll hear from Chapter Ambassador Joe Benjamin about job order contracting.

I'm tentatively working on either Florida Construction Law or Supplier Innovation for our Fall Workshop.

2022 Dates to Remember

Day and Date	Times	Type	Event	Topic
Friday, May 13, 2022	12:00 - 2:00	In-person & virtual	Chapter Meeting	Communication Within Public Procurement
Saturday, May 14, 2022	11:00 - 3:00	In-person	Family Fun Day	Fellowship
Friday, July 15, 2022	12:00 - 2:00	Virtual only	Chapter Meeting	Job Order Contracting
Friday, September 23, 2022	9:00 - 3:00	In-person & virtual	Chapter Meeting & Fall Workshop	*Florida Construction Law
Wednesday, November 9, 2022	8:00 - 4:00	In-person	Reverse Trade Show, Maitland FL	Vendor Outreach
Friday, December 9, 2022	12:00 - 2:00	In-person & virtual	Holiday Chapter Meeting	State of the chapter

*proposed

VIRTUAL Chapter Check-Ins may be scheduled in addition to the above meetings and workshops.

Meetings are virtual and in-person unless otherwise specified.

Our in-person location is listed on our website.

IN-PERSON LUNCH. Lunch purchases are to be made in advance during meeting registration. Additional lunches will not be available the day of the event. If you have dietary requirements, please contact president@cfcniqp.org at least one week in advance of the meeting day. We will meet them the best we can.

NOTE: In-person meetings may be subject to capacity limits and COVID restrictions.

Thank you,

Chris Coghill

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March 25, 2022 Chapter Meeting Recap

How great was our March Spring Workshop?!? The topic “Federal Disaster Recovery Funding: Building a Compliance Framework” was timely and informational. Kalindi Fitch with Hagerty Consulting provided guidance on the various acronyms we are all used to seeing, i.e., CARES, FEMA, and ARPA. 76 procurement professionals registered including some outside of our chapter! Having the opportunity to host chapter meetings virtually as well as in-person will aid us in sharing professional information with as many chapter members as possible! Thank you for coming!



By the Numbers:

We had 68 attendees for the Spring Workshop, 28 in-person and 40 virtual.

63 attendees were Chapter members and 5 were non-Chapter members.

22 attendees responded to your Survey. Ratings for all areas were over 80%.

We appreciate your responses, feedback to improve, and topic suggestions!



CONTEST!

Win an Amazon Gift Certificate for \$25!

Provide via email your AmazonSmile Impact Summary screenshot from your account on or before December 1st to

president@cfcnigp.org. The Chapter Member with the highest generated amount will win an Amazon Gift Certificate for \$25!

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Your orders that have supported charity

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Your total orders

37 orders

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as of April 27, 2022

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Central Florida Chapter of NIGP

Location: Kissimmee, FL

Mission: To Support The Professional Development Of Government Professionals.

Programs: Conducted Reverse Trade Shows Giving Vendors Opportunities To Network With Local Public Agencies. All Proceeds Benefitted The Scholarship Fund., Awarded Scholarships To Members In Good Standing. Funds Were Applied To Registration Fees And Travel Expenses Of Cppb And Cppo Certification Applications And Exams., Conducted Bi-Monthly Chapter Meetings To Provide Members Educational And Networking Opportunities.

The Chapter has created an [AmazonSmile](#) account to contribute to our [Scholarship Fund](#) or our [Community Service initiatives](#).

Link your personal Amazon account to the Chapter's AmazonSmile program. Use the connection below:

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/59-3611992>

As a non-profit organization, our Chapter qualifies for the AmazonSmile program. When you shop at **smile.amazon.com**, **Amazon** donates 0.5% of your eligible purchases - at no cost to you, to your Chapter!

Thank you,

Tabatha Freedman

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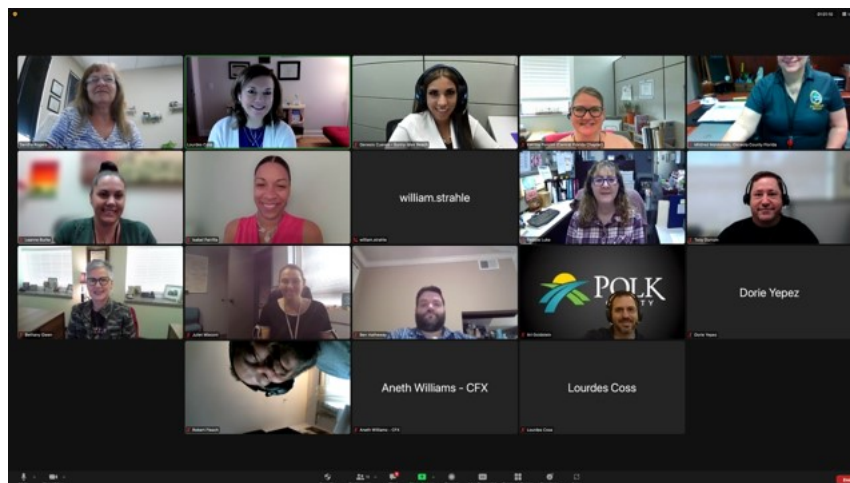
FREE HALF-DAY CLASS

The Central Florida Chapter of NIGP was awarded a ½ day Virtual class “Communication Strategies” sponsored by Omnia. The class was held on April 8, 2022 from 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM.

CONGRATULATIONS to the following eight members that were randomly selected to attend the class FREE of charge!!

- Sue Hackney, Lake County
- Mildred Maldonado, NIGP-CPP, CPPB, Osceola County BOCC
- Bethany Owen, City of Winter Haven
- Ari Goldstein, Polk County BOCC
- Tony Durrum, CPPB, A.P.P., Seminole County
- Juliet Misconi, NIGP-CPP, CPPO, CPPB, City of Palm Bay
- Debbie Luke, City of Kissimmee
- Dorie Yepez, GOAA

The class was a success!!



Family
Day

SAVE THE DATE!!

Saturday, May 14, 2022, from 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM
House Party in St. Cloud

- * **Swimming**
- * **Horseshoes**
- * **Cornhole**
- * **Trampoline**
- * **Food**



BYOC
(Bring Your Own Chair)





Summary remarks of NIGP Central Florida Chapter's financial records review for the year ending December 31, 2021.

A summary review of the financial records and bank statements were conducted to determine if adequate financial controls are in place, identify any findings/issues and to provide recommendations. Neither serious material issues nor findings were found in this annual review. Although I reviewed the majority of the records, audits are not a complete review of every record. Sampling was used in many areas. Most files contain all the necessary documentation to conduct this review. I was able to spot check many income deposits/debits (cash and checks) entries, stripe payments/transfers and bank statements. The back up support documents are in excellent order. The following are comments in regards to this review:

- Explanation of unusual items. Three years of invoices were paid for one particular vendor. The support documentation included all the invoices but did not include a reason why three years was paid (two being past due). Unusual transactions should have more thorough explanations attached to the support documents.
- Some of the deposit explanations were brief. For example, a NIGP rebate was listed for one deposit on the CFC NIGP QuickBooks Deposit Form. However, why the chapter received the rebate was not detailed. Include concise explanations of rebates.
- Officers who approve reimbursements should not approve their own reimbursement. An alternative officer should serve as the second approver.
- All reimbursements had supporting documents that the expense was paid. However, it did not show who paid the expense. This situation could be manipulated by a chapter member who has their agency pay for an expense than gets reimbursement from the chapter. Evidence of who has made the payment should also be attached along with evidence that the expense was paid.

Respectfully submitted by:

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TED PHILLIPS, NIGP-CPP, CPPO, CPPB

PROCUREMENT SERVICES SUPERVISOR, OSCEOLA COUNTY BOCC



What year did you join the Chapter? I joined the chapter in 2014.

How long have you worked in the procurement profession? I joined Osceola County in 1990, and have been involved in procurement related activities through various department and positions I have held over the years. I've met some great people as my interest in Procurement grew, people who mentored me, provided guidance, or simply just listened. I officially joined our Procurement team in 2014. We've got a great team here, with a great mentor, people who provide guidance and those that just listen, too.

What is the most interesting, unusual, or challenging purchase in which you have been involved? I've been involved a lot of interesting things. Most recently, I handled the procurement of the construction of three fire stations at one time. One of my favorite challenges is Federal grant compliance under 2 CFR Part 200 and the intricacies of the various Federal funding agencies and how they implement compliance. Our team has handled a lot of these; I foresee a lot more.

What professional certifications do you hold? I hold the CPPO, CPPB, NIGP-CPP and the Florida Certified Public Manager certification as well as 32 various FEMA-related certifications. Just recently received a specialty certification in Federal Grant compliance, too.

What is your number one goal (career or personal)? To continue in public procurement, and then teach others. I thoroughly mentoring, and I am part of a wonderful team here that I work with every day.

What is your favorite hobby? One is photography. I like looking for things that are mundane and help them look different. I like looking for unique things and make them spectacular. And I like the memories they create or the emotions they cause.. I also have a great interest in technology, especially since I have a strong background in the field.

Share a little-known fact about yourself. I've done a lot through my career path. In previous careers. I had a chance to meet Dom DeLuise, Fanny Flagg, and Vincent Price as well as met Richard Nixon, Gerald For and Ronald Regan. I've met Meatloaf at one of his concerts in Orlando.

Check out Ted's "Committed to My County" Program interview, <https://www.osceola.org/videos/ted-phillips-committed-to-my-county.stml>

MEMBER RECOGNITIONS – CHAPTER AWARDS

The Board of Directors is excited to announce the Central Florida Chapter 2022 Award Winners for Buyer of the Year, Manager of the Year, and Volunteer of the Year!

Congratulations to all!

Buyer of the Year

Annmarie Wise

Senior Purchasing Agent

Greater Orlando Aviation Authority



Manager of the Year

Tabatha Freedman

Manager, Purchasing—IT

Greater Orlando Aviation Authority



Volunteer of the Year

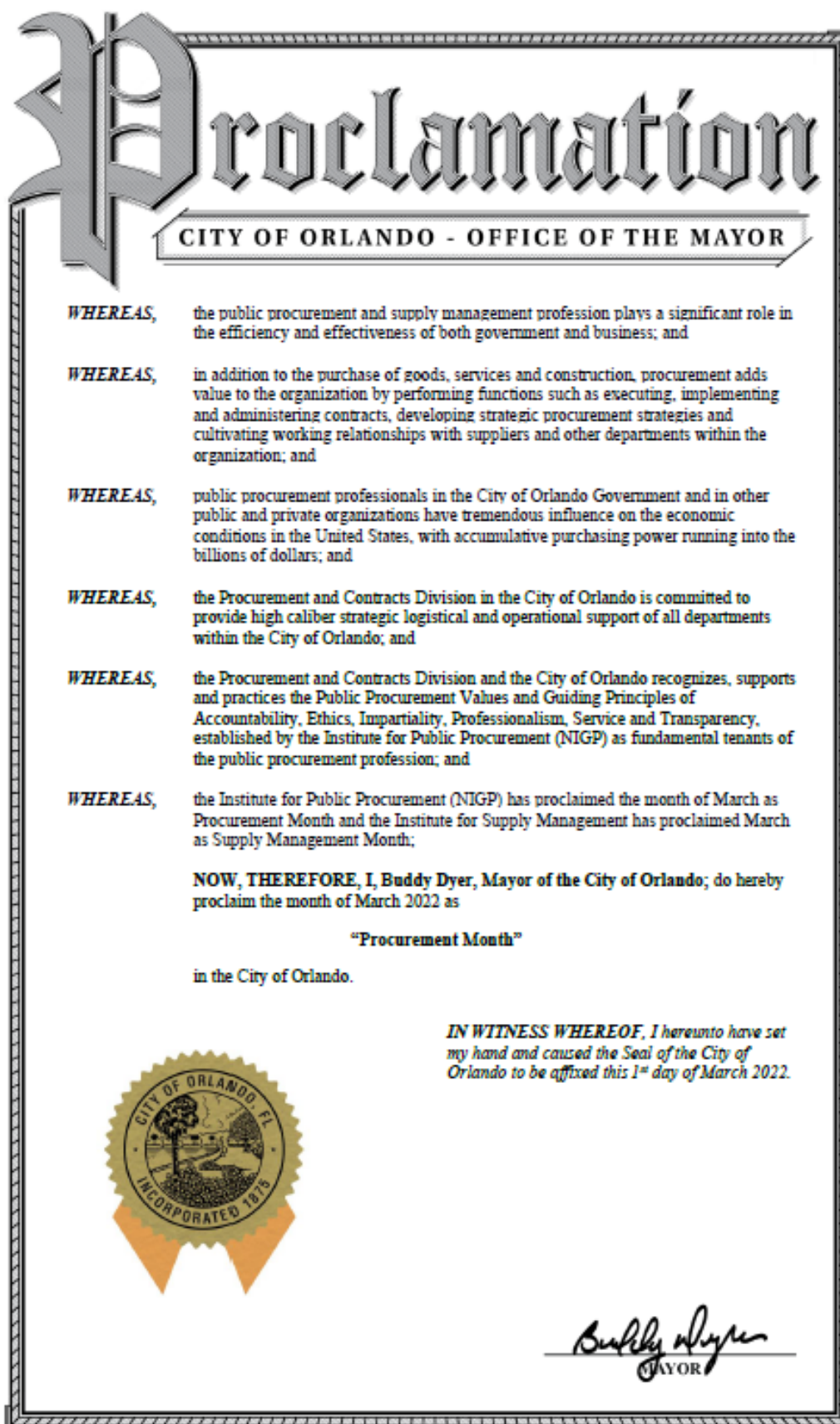
Juliet Misconi

Chief Procurement Officer

City of Palm Bay

(Susan Blair accepted on behalf of Juliet at the March Membership Meeting)





Legislative Session Wraps **Filed By: Juliet Misconi, MPA, NIGP-CPP, CPPO, CPPB** **CFCNIGP Legislative Task Force Chair**

The Legislative Session ended up on March 11, 2022. Four bills related to Procurement passed both the House and Senate (“ordered enrolled”), but at the time of this writing (mid-April), they have not yet presented them to the Governor for consideration and signature. Because the Legislative Session starts earlier in even years, this timeframe is typical. The Task Force has prepared a spreadsheet of these bills and posted it to the Chapter’s website under Documents & Files/Legislative Updates. I strongly encourage you to review the brief synopsis and, if this impacts your agency, read the bills in their entirety and read the Staff Analysis from myfloridahouse.gov or flsenate.gov. Type in the Bill Number in the search bar at the top to get to the bill page. You can navigate the bills from either site. The “enrolled” version of the Bill Text (or “er” on the Senate site) is the final version they will present to the Governor. There are staff analyses from various committees on both sites; choose the most recent to read their breakdowns of the impact of the bills. HB 7049, Legal Notices, **may** affect your agency if your agency chooses to post legal notices (agency wide) on your website instead of a newspaper. Most of the other bills have little effect on daily operations but are interesting and worth noting.

HB 7049 Legal Notices
HB 1057 Evidence of Vendor Financial Stability
SB 620 Local Business Protection Act
HB 375 Professional Structural Engineers

Thanks for your support of our task force and we will see you again when the Legislative Session kicks off (later, in odd years) in March of 2023!



CERTIFICATION SUPPORT

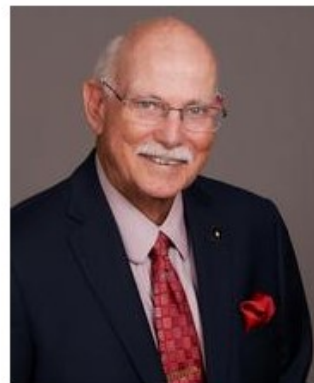
Question of the Day by David Nash

The goal is simple: To assist public procurement professionals in preparing for the CPPO, CPPB and NIGP-CPP exams, one question at a time.

Since the creation of the online Question of the day in 2007, more than five thousand public procurement professionals from across the United States and Canada have participated in this endeavor by responding to questions sent to them via daily emails. Participants may also pose questions that they encounter during their independent or group studies.

<http://www.qoftheday.net/>

Your Facilitator



David E. Nash, CPPO, CPPB, NIGP-CPP: NIGP certified instructor with over 45 years of experience in logistics and public procurement.



MENTORING OPPORTUNITIES

Take advantage of the Mentoring Program!

Some of the Benefits:

- ⇒ Guidance to the Mentee.
- ⇒ Share knowledge and experience
- ⇒ Customize plan to meet Mentee's goals.
- ⇒ Assist Mentee thru certification process
- ⇒ Scholarship points
- ⇒ Mentee Learns the NIGP nuances
- ⇒ Mentor gives feedback for progress and assessment
- ⇒ Mentor feels sense of achievement by "giving back"

Mentors needed.



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Rodriguez.Kristine@Brevardschools.org

SCHOLARSHIP UPDATES

Greetings all!

The Scholarship Log has been updated through April 4, 2022, and is posted to the website at <https://www.cfcnigp.org/insidepages/filearchive/>. There are a couple of outstanding redemptions that have been processed so a revised log will be posted in early May. You've earned those dollars...please be sure to use them!!!

Members are welcome to use their scholarship funds for procurement related coursework and most equipment used to facilitate our work. Redemption forms, donation forms, and Scholarship policy are located under Documents and Files / Scholarships.

Our Scholarship Policy has been broadened to include material items necessary for the course or event being attended. The updated policy is also located at Documents and Files / Scholarships.

Chris Coghill

Chris Coghill, NIGP-CPP, CPPO, CPPB

CFC NIGP Vice President

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COMMUNITY SERVICES



During 2020 and 2021, we all have made some adjustments in our lives and the Chapter is looking for ways to give back to the community. Please reach out if you have an service event or charity for consideration for 2022.

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DONATION RECEIPT

DONATION RECEIPT		(Please print clearly so form can be returned to you timely)
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Donated to: (list charity)		
Type of donation:		
Value:		
** AREA BELOW FOR COMMITTEE CHAIRS USE ONLY **		
COMMUNITY SERVICES CHAIR		
Approved by / Date		
SCHOLARSHIP CHAIR		
Accepted by / Logged / Date:		
<i>Not eligible for scholarship points unless signed by Community Services & Scholarship Chairs</i>		
Thank you for your generosity. We appreciate your support!		



Annual Conference

"Stronger Together - Procuring in a Whole New World"

55th Annual Conference will be held at The Rosen Centre in Orlando, FL from May 22 - 25, 2022.

Members \$350 - by April 2, \$395 after

Non-Members \$525 - by April 2, \$570 after

Single day registrations are available for \$175 (non-members \$250)

[Register Now](#)

[Annual Conference Hotel](#)

[2022 Annual Conference Program](#)

[Rosen Hotel Know Before You Go and Guest Health Policy](#)

[2022 Floor Plan](#)

Check back for updates!

Call for Nominations for the 2022 FAPPO Member Recognition Awards

We are proud to announce the Call for Nominations for the 2022 FAPPO Member Recognition Awards is now open. A select group of three awards will recognize the exemplary service of FAPPO members who give their time and talents to promote the public procurement profession, serve FAPPO, enhance our shared community, and inspire us all to follow in their footsteps.

Award categories include the Rising Star Award, the Community Leadership & Volunteer Award and the Outstanding Educator Award.

The nominations for these awards come from you, the membership of FAPPO and the winners are selected by the FAPPO Officers. DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS is March 25, 2022. The process is relatively simple, just complete the Nomination Form and submit with a one-page narrative to support your nomination. The Nomination Form, eligibility guidelines and instructions are available on the FAPPO website. All nominations must be emailed to Diane Reed, CPPO, CPPB at dreed@seminolecountyfl.gov.

Imagine New Possibilities
In person or virtual.
All in real time.



TWO WAYS TO PARTICIPATE IN FORUM 2022

All attendees receive...

20.5 Contact Hours

On Demand Access to All Virtual Content

12 Entity Networking Sessions

Access to virtual platform to connect with participants

Access to the Virtual Supplier Resource Center

PLUS...

JOIN US IN BOSTON

August 20 - 24, 2022
Boston Convention and Exhibition Center, Boston, MA



- **5** Keynote Experiences
- **70+** Live Learning Sessions
- **10** Interactive Workshops (**NEW**)
- **16** Critical Conversations
- **300+** Exhibitors at Face-to-Face Products Expo
- **12** Supplier Topical Networking Sessions
- Fun Social Events to Reconnect
- Awards Dinner

JOIN US VIRTUALLY

August 22 - 24, 2022



- **4** Live Keynote Experiences
- **24** Live Learning Sessions
- **20** Recorded Sessions with Live Presenter Q&A via text chat
- **6** Critical Conversation Sessions
- Virtual Networking Rooms

EARLY REGISTRATION

through May 31

\$897

member

\$1,097

non-member

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EARLY REGISTRATION

through May 31

\$299

member virtual

\$399

non-member virtual

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Soft Skill Essentials: Future Proof Your Career Success

**NIGP
VCON**
June 8-9



Virtual Conference

TOPIC:

Soft Skills

Soft Skills Essentials

June 8 - 9, 2022

12:30 PM - 5:00 PM (EST)

8 Contact Hours

Pricing: ?

VCON Summer 2022 - (Member: Standard) \$149.00

VCON Summer 2022 - (Non-member: Standard)

\$249.00

(prices valid until Jun 9, 2022)

What are Soft Skills?

Personality traits, behaviors, and social attitudes that make you a more effective communicator, enables you to collaborate with others, helps you successfully manage workplace conflict. Unlike "hard" skills, which often describe a person's technical abilities, soft skills include any skills developed beyond your technical competencies and showcases your ability to work with others and grow within an organization. With the growth of team-oriented jobs, these skills become critical to the modern work environment.

5 Key Reasons Soft Skills are Important

- Hard skills become useless without soft skills to back up task-related knowledge
- Soft skills are more difficult to learn, therefore more valuable
- The modern workplace requires collaboration between people and teams to get things done
- Soft skills such as empathy and sense of humor improve the customer experience
- Skills are future-proof since they can't be replicated or replaced by automation or artificial intelligence (AI)

Why Soft Skills Matter to Your Organization

12%

Increase in Worker Productivity

30%

Increase in Team Performance

12%

Increase in Work Retention

250%

ROI for Organization

MEMBERS

\$149

Members Receive 50% OFF through
June 3, 2022

Use Code **SOURCEWELL50**

REGISTER NOW

**Members Receive 50% OFF
through June 3**

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REGISTER TODAY

NON-MEMBERS

\$249

REGISTER NOW

Live, Interactive
and Impactful.



NIGP
**HEADLINER
SERIES**

NIGP Headliner Series

Live, Interactive and Impactful

The NIGP Headliner Series feature compact sessions on the hot procurement topics that impact your career, your entity, and your community.

The Series gets right to the heart of the matter by identifying the hard facts of these procurement headlines and what it means for you. These series analyze the critical challenges in the profession, and offer practical solutions from subject matter experts to help you make informed decisions. Handouts will be provided at the end of each session.

Attend One, Attend All

Priced affordably with our members' budget constraints top of mind.

- Get relatable and sound advice from subject matter experts that will help you make informed decisions.
- Ask questions, chat with colleagues, receive actionable answers.
- Keep the conversations flowing by joining participants in our virtual connections room.
- Share experiences, exchange ideas and brainstorm solutions.
- Handouts provided that support and enhance the learning experience

Headliner: New Negotiation Strategies for Today's Market

May 12, 2022

Contact Hours: 3

\$79 Members | \$179 Non-Members

REGISTER

Thursday, May 12, 2022			EXPAND ALL +
TIME	SESSION	SPEAKERS	DETAILS
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	SUPPLIER PANEL PRESENTATION	Drew Tuller, Krystal Gilbert Schafer, Scott Clark, Greg James	+
2:00 PM - 3:30 PM	PROCUREMENT PROFESSIONALS PANEL PRESENTATION	Cara Bocx, CPPB, Carrie Mathes, NIGP-CPP, CPPO, APP, CPPB, C.P.M., CFCEM, MPA, Stacy Adams, NIGP-CPP, CPPO, CPPB, Zac Christensen, NIGP-CPP, CPPO, CPPB	+
3:30 PM - 4:00 PM	Q & A SESSION		

Headliners Available On-Demand

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COURSE

Learning Labs

Course Availability:

View upcoming dates for this course.

[FIND YOUR COURSE](#)

Hands-On Workshops

An educational series that provides learners with best practice guidance on a variety of technical and hard skills needed for public procurement success.

MAY
17

Learning Lab - Microsoft Teams: Tips & Techniques for Leveraging the Power of Teams

Virtual Instructor-Led

SEP
29

Learning Lab 1 : Introduction to RFPs and Starting with the End in Mind

Virtual Instructor-Led

OCT
25

Learning Lab 3 : Responsiveness, Compliance and Responsibility and Evaluation Criteria

Virtual Instructor-Led

NOV
15

Learning Lab 5 : Evaluation Committee and Process

Virtual Instructor-Led

JUN
21

Learning Lab - Stop Wasting Time in Excel! Tips and Shortcuts to Be More Efficient

Virtual Instructor-Led

OCT
11

Learning Lab 2 : Engaging with Suppliers and the Importance of Flexibility and Organization

Virtual Instructor-Led

NOV
3

Learning Lab 4 : Treasure Map for Suppliers and the Scope of Work

Virtual Instructor-Led

DEC
6

Learning Lab 6 : Post Evaluation Steps and RFP Misfits

Virtual Instructor-Led

Cost

Members: \$79

Non-Members: \$179

CEUs

0.2

Contact Hours

2.0

Length

90 - 120 minutes



LATEST TRENDS AND INFORMATION IMPACTING THE PROFESSION

Webinars

Our webinars keep members and procurement professionals updated on important topics and the latest trends and information impacting the profession. Topics range from policy and regulation changes to deep dives on a new trend in procurement to sharing best practices, or managing a crisis.

MAY 3	Webinar - Request for Proposal (RFP) Learning Lab Series Preview Webinar	MAY 5	Webinar - Procurement as a Partner in Growth: How One Leading County Ensures a Ready Supplier Pool Webinar
MAY 10	Webinar - Optimizing the 3 Stages of RFP Creation for Faster Results Webinar	MAY 31	Webinar - NIGP Certified Procurement Professional: A Proven Pathway That Invests in Your Long-Term Career Growth Webinar
JUN 14	Webinar - NIGP Certified Procurement Professional: A Proven Pathway That Invests in Your Long-Term Career Growth Webinar	JUL 26	Webinar - NIGP Certified Procurement Professional: A Proven Pathway That Invests in Your Long-Term Career Growth Webinar
AUG 9	Webinar - Cost Analysis as an Engine for Public Procurement Webinar	SEP 7	Webinar - Request for Proposal (RFP) Learning Lab Series Preview Webinar

Every year, thousands of procurement professionals take part in NIGP webinars.

NIGP also offers webinars for **chapter officers**. These webinars are designed to help chapter officers lead their chapters effectively with topics such as leadership development, marketing, event planning, navigating tax and legal issues, and more.

NIGP is proud to offer webinar sessions in partnership with **ASPA and the Public Spend Forum**. They are free for members to attend and last 90 minutes (60-70 minutes of presentation with time for Q&A). Attendees receive one (1) contact hour per completed webinar that they attend.

Questions

General:
Contact customercare@nigp.org.

Registration: Contact
registrationinfo@nigp.org

Webinars are...

\$0

Complimentary to MEMBERS

\$49

Non-Members

90

Minutes (60-70 minutes of presentation with time for Q&A)

1

Attendees receive one (1) contact hour per completed webinar they attend.



GAIN CONTACT HOURS BY VIEWING PAST RECORDINGS

Webinar Recordings

EARN
1 CONTACT HOUR

Webinars & Webinar Recordings are FREE to Members

NIGP hosts over 30 webinars a year on key topics, best practices and issues of relevance to the public procurement professional. AND...these webinars are FREE to members. Because we understand that your time is in short-supply, we also offer members access to these webinar recordings to review on your own time.

Topic

TECHNOLOGY

SUSTAINABILITY

EVALUATION METHODS

LEADERSHIP

BENCHMARKING

MARKET RESEARCH

SPEND ANALYSIS

COOPERATIVES

SPECIFICATIONS

UTILITIES

BONDS

CFR 200/UNIFORM GRANT GUIDANCE/ UGG

BID

PROTESTS

CYBERSECURITY

FRAUD

RELATIONSHIP MANAGEMENT

NEGOTIATIONS

REVERSE AUCTIONS

CERTIFICATION

CONSTRUCTION

AUDITS

GASB/LEASE

COVID-19

RISK

CONTENT CORNER

NIGP BLOG

Welcome to the NIGP Blog

Love, Sweat & No Tears.

What do you love most about procurement? What keeps you up at night? Why is procurement the best career choice you can make?

Because your colleagues want to know.

Past topics have included:

[Check it out at https://www.nigp.org/events/nigp-blog.](https://www.nigp.org/events/nigp-blog)

- **Money, Money, Money**
- **Talent Management: Designing and Defining Procurement's Future Workforce**
- **The Power of Innovation. The Power of Learning. The Power of Pathways.**
- **Reducing "Noise" in Evaluations**
- **Sustainable Procurement: A *Big Picture* Perspective**
- **Reimagining & Building a Public Procurement Contract Sharing Community**
- **The Data Classification Journey**
- **Reflections of Resiliency: Celebrating Procurement Month & Women's History Month**
- **Using the NIGP Code for Reaching Diversity Goals**
- **How COVID-19 Elevated Procurement's Profile in the Public Sector**
- **Purchasing Execs Share Their Experiences extending ERP with an e-Procurement Marketplace**
- **Risk-Based Procurement in the Age of COVID-19**

RADIO NIGP

NIGP RADIO

We are incredibly excited to introduce **RADIO NIGP**. A talented team of procurement colleagues created our first-ever radio program. Radio NIGP gives a new vibe and a new twist to the world of procurement. Get ready to listen, learn and be entertained!

What's Ahead

Radio NIGP will be produced monthly with segments that include "Legally Speaking", "Word of the Day", "Tech Tip" as well as guest commentaries, interviews and compelling news that will keep you connected and engaged with NIGP and the procurement community. Look for more enhancements as we grow this innovative radio program.

**Send Us Your Comments
& Questions**

radio@nigp.org

[Check it out at https://www.nigp.org/events/radio-nigp.](https://www.nigp.org/events/radio-nigp)



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Certification

Upcoming Examination dates. For those that are looking to test, some important dates are mentioned below in the table that might be useful.

For more details on certification, visit the Universal Public Procurement Certification Council (UPPCC) website at <https://uppcc.org/>.

Fall Exams: Oct 17-29, 2022			
Exam App Window Opens	Apply By	Apply w/ Late Fee By	Schedule Exam By*
May 16	July 31	Aug 13	Sep 19

Hosting a Seminar

Interested in hosting a virtual class? Contact Lisa Kesecker at (407)870-4622 with any further questions or to begin the seminar scheduling process. With a variety of classes to choose from, visit the NIGP website for course information at: NIGP.ORG

Do you want to start earning your Pathway's badges and certificates? Go to the NIGP's website and lookup the various classes so you can start earning your badges!



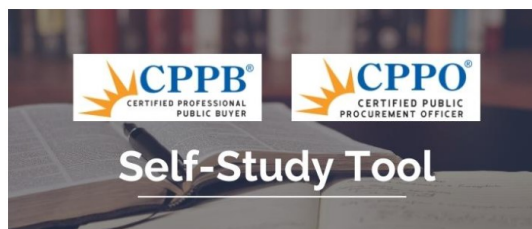
VIRTUAL INSTRUCTOR-LED

Looking for CFCNIGP Sponsored Classes?

[Check out our Website CFCNIGP.ORG](http://CFCNIGP.ORG)

Contact: Lisa Kesecker, CPPB - Pro-D Chair
lisa.kesecker@osceolaschools.net

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES



We are excited to share a **FREE** tool designed to help those seeking professional certification through UPPCC.

The CPPB and CPPO self-study tools are now available for **FREE** to any public procurement professional.

These resources are designed as a self-study tool to assist in your personal study efforts to achieve your certification. It is **NOT** intended to be your only source of information, or to teach you the full breadth of knowledge needed to pass the exams.

Enrollment in these tools will provide you:

- practice exam questions as a self-assessment tool,
- links to readings and free resources aligned by NASPO staff to the new **UPPCC Body of Knowledge and Competency (BoK-C)**
- recordings of previous instructor-led class recordings discussing the six domains,
- access to a community discussion board to engage with other professionals preparing for the exam,
- and other helpful tips and resources to help you study!

These are fully web-based tools that you can access any time. There is no instructor.



Signup for the Free Resources

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

PROCUREMENT U AFFILIATE

NASPO



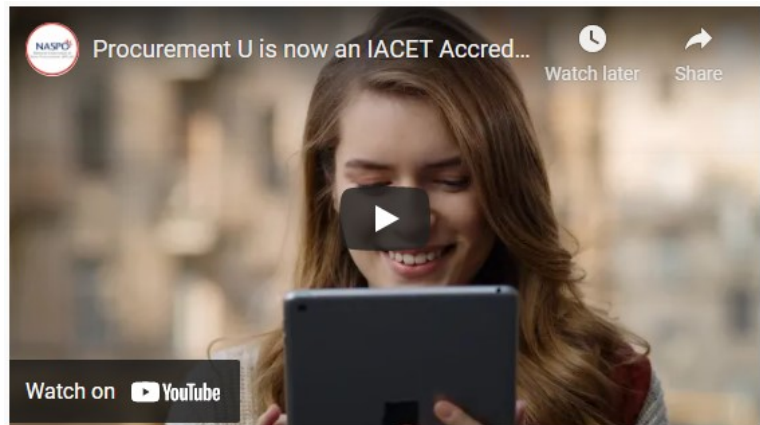
PROCUREMENT U FREE COURSES - GIVE BACK PROGRAM

Our Gift to You

Throughout the COVID-19 Pandemic, procurement professionals have led the way in procuring critical PPE and essential needs for state and local governments across the country during this unprecedented time. As a small token of our profound appreciation for everything you do, we are making ALL *Foundational Procurement* courses totally FREE.

This "Procurement U Gives Back" Program is also a celebration of a major milestone for Procurement U: we are now an IACET Accredited education provider! Watch the video to learn more about what this prestigious honor means for us, and for you.

Below are details on the changes happening right now as a part of our Give Back Program and how you can take advantage of this unparalleled offer. We encourage you to explore the opportunities available and check our website often, as we have even more new and exciting things coming soon. Enjoy!



FREE SELF-PACED COURSES

The core of Procurement U is comprised of our online courses available on our Learning Management System (LMS). As a part of this new Give Back Program, we are making all *Foundational Procurement* courses available for free. This includes over 25 contact hours of online course instruction, completely free.

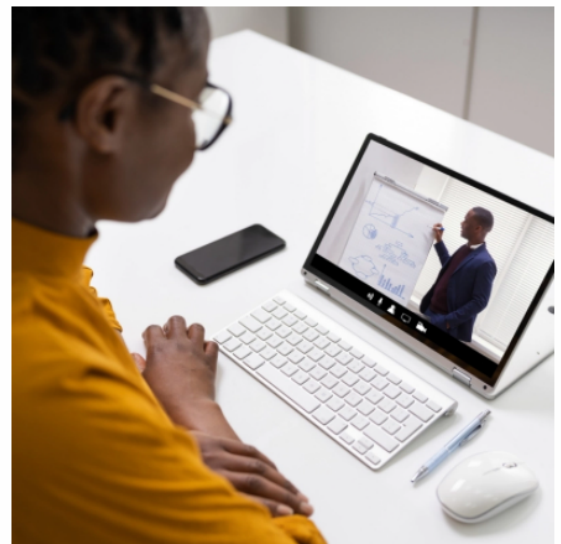
To enroll in one of these free courses, click the "Free Courses" button below, sign up or log in, and explore the catalog.

[FREE COURSES](#)

NEW! FREE WEBINAR RECORDINGS FOR CONTACT HOURS

Missed one of our webinars? No problem! In addition to all the free courses, we are also announcing a brand-new offering: free webinar recordings that are eligible for contact hours. Simply checkout a webinar recording that you did not get to experience live, pass the short quiz after the video, and you automatically receive a certificate of completion showing your earned contact hour(s). It's that easy to build hours towards certification, all completely free for everyone. Check back often as we add new webinar recordings throughout the year.

[FREE WEBINARS](#)



EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

UPPCC CERTIFICATION

CPPB STUDY GROUP 2022



Fall Exams: Oct 17-29, 2022

Exam App
Window Opens

**May
16**

Apply
By

**July
31**

Apply w/ Late
Fee By

**Aug
13**

Schedule
Exam By*

**Sep
19**

2021 UPPCC BoK-C: CPPO

2021 UPPCC BoK-C: CPPB

UPPCC Body of Knowledge & Competency (BoK-C) Domain Areas

	CPPO Exam	CPPB Exam
Legal Framework	15%	14%
Procurement Planning and Analysis	17%	18%
Sourcing and Solicitation	20%	23%
Contract Development and Management	17%	21%
Leadership	18%	11%
Business Principles	13%	13%

"The CFC NIGP CPPB/CPPO Study Group is meeting virtually on Fridays at 11:00 am EST through MS Teams. We will continue to meet for the Spring Exam window through Friday, May 6, 2022. We will then take a break and start up again on Friday, July 8th for the October 2022 testing window.

Study group sessions typically last about an hour. If you have questions or are interested in joining the study group please contact Nick Canjar at james.canjar@pbfl.org or 321-952-3424 and he will provide you with the information you need so that you can join!"

Here's the link to the new study materials: <https://www.nigp.org/certification/cppo-cppb-exam-prep>

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

UPPCC CERTIFICATION




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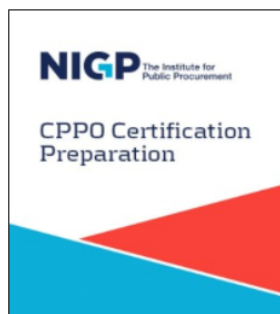
CPPPO AND CPPB ONLINE ASSESSMENT TOOLS

CPPPO and CPPB Prep Guides

This CPPPO and CPPB Certification Preparation Guides are designed to help prepare you for the **Certified Public Procurement Officer** and **Certified Public Procurement Buyer** examinations. Both guides and the certification examination are based on the **2021 UPPCC Body of Knowledge**. While the actual examination questions are held in the strictest confidence by the UPPCC, by basing this preparation guide on the same foundation as the test questions, it can serve as a focused study guide.

 **NOTE:** A hard copy of the Prep Guide is included with an in-person Prep Course registration. A digital version is included with an online course registration.

The CPPPO or CPPB Prep Guides are also available for purchase in the NIGP Bookstore in both hard copy and a digital ebook. Purchase your copy today!



PURCHASE TEXTBOOK

PURCHASE EBOOK

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

UPPCC CERTIFICATION



CPC-NIGP

CPPPO/CPPPB PREP GUIDES AND COURSES

CPPPO and CPPPB Prep Courses

- NIGP's CPPPO and CPPPB Prep Courses provide a review of key topics identified in the 2021 UPPCC Body of Knowledge and Competency.
- The Prep Courses help you to assess your strengths and weaknesses as they relate to the subject matter.
- Available in-person or virtually
- Course registration **includes** a hard copy of the Prep Guide with an in-person Prep Course registration or a digital copy for an online course registration.
- Addresses all six domains of the Body of Knowledge and Competency.
- Describes the testing environment for the certification examinations.
- Explains the various methods of study that will help prepare for the examination.

[REGISTER FOR A CPPPO PREP COURSE](#)

[REGISTER FOR A CPPPB PREP COURSE](#)

CPPPO and CPPPB Exam Study Tools

CPPPO/CPPPB PREP GUIDES AND COURSES

These tools offer convenient 24/7 access starting the day you register and can help you get comfortable navigating computer-generated exams. These tools test your strengths and weaknesses within the Universal Public Procurement Certification Council (UPPCC) Body of Knowledge and Competency (BoK-C) and align with the six domains covered in the CPPPO and CPPPB BoK-C Exams.

Disclaimer: The questions on these assessments ARE NOT found on the Universal Public Procurement Certification Council (UPPCC) Certification Exam. These questions simulate the format and types of questions asked and are intended as a study aid to review subject matter relevant to the UPPCC Body of Knowledge and Competency. Using an assessment tool does not guarantee a passing grade on the UPPCC Certification Exam.

CPPPO AND CPPPB ONLINE ASSESSMENT TOOLS

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[Purchase CPPPO Tool](#)
[Purchase CPPPB Tool](#)

If you have previously purchased one of the online assessment tools and want to purchase it again, please call Customer Care at 1-800-367-6447.

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

GET A PREP COURSE FOR FREE

Did you take a CPPO or CPPB Prep class with NIGP after July 1, 2021 but didn't pass the Exam?

One Time Use Only

CONTACT.CUSTOMERCARE@NIGP.ORG

For all of those that just missed it during the fall exams, NIGP may have just what you need! Contact Customer Care and see how they can help you!

<https://www.nigp.org/certification/cppo-cppb-exam-prep>

Recommended UPPCC Exam Prep Timeline

<p>Purchase the CPPO or CPPB online assessment tool for a virtual test prep experience that features over 325 study questions to help you identify your strengths and weaknesses.</p>	6 Months Before Exam Assess where you are
<p>Choose NIGP courses to fill your knowledge gap. NIGP's coursework aligns with the UPPCC's body of knowledge by domain.</p> <p>VIEW BOK-C ALIGNMENT</p>	5 Months Before Exam Review BOK and Choose Courses
<p>NIGP's CPPO and CPPB prep courses are available online and in-person. They address key information on topics identified in the UPPCC BoK-C and can help you identify areas you need to continue studying.</p> <p>VIEW CPPO COURSES</p> <p>VIEW CPPB COURSES</p>	4 Months Before Exam Take a Prep Course
<p>Now that you know your strengths and weakness, it's time to study! Form a small study group to get unique topic perspectives, and follow our study guide for helpful tips and advice.</p> <p>READ STUDY GUIDE</p>	3 Months Before Exam Study
<p>Take the online assessment tool again to see where you have made progress and which areas still need development.</p>	2 Months Before Exam Re-assess
<p>Use the three volumes of animated online flashcards for a fun and quick way to master essential procurement terms and definitions from the NIGP Dictionary.</p>	1 Month Before Exam Personal Study Time

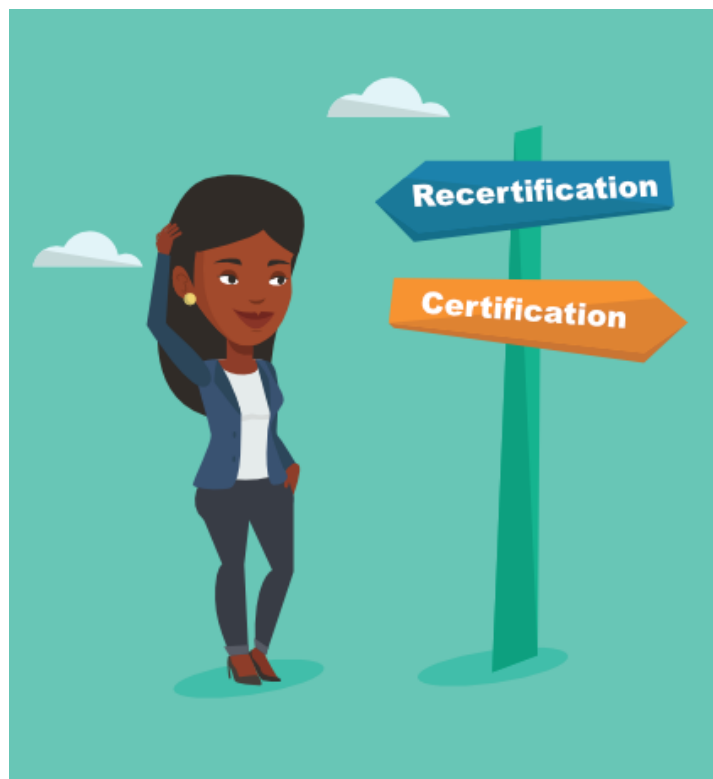
EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

First good luck to all sitting to test in May. I wish you all the best.

Once you have completed you have to start looking ahead to re-certify in five years. It comes around quicker than you think it will. The continuing credit hours we earn from conferences, workshops and symposiums that we participate in during the years is the main source of the credits. Keeping track until you re-certify and then getting them all together can take a long time when you are sitting down to put the application together.

Tip # 1

Biggest tip is that UPPCC recertification can be started the day after receiving your CPPB or CPPO certification or recertification. You are able to go into your account and begin the re-certification process immediately. Get your basic information in and then as you receive each certificate you can upload right into the site for safe keeping. We all need less stress and when it is time to submit, your documents will be there waiting for you.



If anyone has any questions or assistance please don't hesitate to reach out.

Angela Thomas

Chair Recertification Task Force

Angela.Thomas@orlando.gov

(407) 246-2563

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

INVEST IN YOUR LONG-TERM CAREER GROWTH

NIGP Certified Procurement Professional (NIGP-CPP)



Find Your Path to NIGP-CPP
Certification

The Future of Procurement Certification

START →

FOCUS AREAS:

Strategy

Policy and Legislation

Planning and Analysis

Contract Administration

Sourcing and Solicitation

Leadership

Business Principles

1,000 approved NIGP-CPP candidates and counting...

That's right, when we launched our new certification program, we couldn't possibly have imagined how successful it would be. This success is in no small part to our amazing group of professionals who want to elevate the work that each of you does, and a whole new way to get recognized for it.

JOIN YOUR COLLEAGUES - STEP UP TO THE NIGP-CPP



UPCOMING NIGP-CPP WEBINARS

MAY
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Webinar - NIGP Certified Procurement Professional: A Proven Pathway That Invests in Your Long-Term Career Growth

Webinar

JUL
26

Webinar - NIGP Certified Procurement Professional: A Proven Pathway That Invests in Your Long-Term Career Growth

Webinar

JUN
14

Webinar - NIGP Certified Procurement Professional: A Proven Pathway That Invests in Your Long-Term Career Growth

Webinar

NIGP PATHWAYS

PERSONALIZED LEARNING FOR TODAY'S AGILE PROFESSIONAL

Get to Know Pathways

TOPIC:

Certification

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Core Certificate

Designations

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Pathways

Specialization Certificate



Core Certificates



Designations

SPECIALIZATIONS



Learn more at <https://www.nigp.org/learning/what-is-pathways>.

Membership Meeting Minutes
March 25, 2022

Start: 9:18 AM

Ended: 9:58 AM

Welcome – Tabatha Freedman, President

Old Business

- Secretary's Report and Approval of Previous Minutes – Katrina Ponzini
 - Motion to approve by Janice Hughes, Seconded by Lisa Kesecker
 - No Discussion
 - Motion Passed
- March 2022 Spotlight Member
 - Holly Durance, Purchasing Manager, Flagler County BOCC
- Family Day 2022
 - Saturday, May 14, 2022 from 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM at Secretary Katrina Ponzini's Home
 - Registration is available on the website
- Treasurer's Report and Approval – Sean Hynes
Reconciled Statements for January 2022 and February 2022 (Transition from SunTrust to Truist)
 - Motion to approve by Annmarie Wise, Seconded by William Davis
 - The \$99.99 charge from February 14, 2022, was identified as the purchase of the case for our Owl Labs Meeting OWL Pro
 - Motion Passed
- Vice President's Report – Chris Coghill
 - Programming Updates (2022)
 1. May 13, 2022, Chapter Meeting (Virtual and In-Person)
Dover Shores Community Center
Nick Canjar, NIGP-CPP, CPPB, City of Palm Bay, will be presenting on RFPs
 2. July 15, 2022, Chapter Meeting (Virtual Only)
Joe Benjamin, NIGP-CPP, CPPO, CPPB, Chapter Ambassador, will be presenting on Job Order Contracting
 3. September 23, 2022, Chapter Meeting and Workshop (Virtual and In-Person)
Dover Shores Community Center
Looking to secure the NIGP Business Council to cover supplier innovation, modified from the presentation at the Leadership Summit or the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics to cover price redetermination

4. December 9, 2022, Chapter Meeting (Virtual and In-Person)
Dover Shores Community Center
State of the Chapter and Community Service Presentation
 5. If anyone has ideas for programming in 2023, please reach out to Chris Coghill
- Scholarship Updates
 1. Scholarship Log
 - The Scholarship Log is currently updated on the website and will be updated after the first of each month
 - President's Report – Tabatha Freedman
 - Awards
 1. Buyer of the Year: Annmarie Wise, CPP, Senior Purchasing Agent, GOAA
 2. Manager of the Year: Tabatha Freedman, MBA, NIFP-CPP, CPPO, CPPB, Senior Procurement Analyst, County of Volusia (for her time at GOAA)
 3. Member of the Year: Juliet Misconi, MPA, NIGP-CPP, CPPO, CPPB, Chief Procurement Officer, City of Palm Bay
 - Amazon Smile
 1. When you shop at smile.amazon.com, Amazon donates 0.5% of your eligible purchases to CFCNIGP, <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/59-3611992>
 - Chapter Logo
 1. NIGP tasked the individual chapters with creating new logos using their color scheme
 2. New logo approved and released
 3. Thank you to Wil Henzmann from Brevard County Public Schools for all of his hard work
 - Chapter Website
 1. CFC is a Beta Chapter
 2. A task force will be created to aid in clean-up and transition
 - Committees
 1. Thank you to all of our committee chairs and members for your participation
 2. Tabatha Freedman is in the process of meeting with each committee chair
 - Additional
 1. Tony Espinosa is working with Wil Henzmann on updating our branding package
 2. Tabatha Freedman and Katrina Ponzini were in attendance at the most recent board meeting for the Alaska-Hawaii Governmental Procurement Association on March 10, 2022, they have been invited to join our study groups and any future meetings
 3. The Board meets the first of each month, if you are interested in attending, reach out to Tabatha Freedman
 4. 2022 NIGP Member Council Elections, Florida's Central Gulf Coast Chapter of NIGP reached out to us. Their chapter has a candidate, Bob Pacenta, NIGP-CPP, CPPB, Purchasing and Stores Manager, Emerald Coast Utilities Authority, Pensacola, FL, running. Please look at his bio here: [2022 MC Election - Final Slate of Candidates - FINAL.pdf \(nigp.org\)](#) Voting will begin on April 4, 2022

New Business

- Committee/Task Force(s) – Updates from Chairs
- Legislative
 - There are currently four bills that carry procurement related impact
 - HB 7049 regarding legal ads deems that if you advertise electronically, you must accept electronic bids
- Pro-D
 - There are two classes available for registration
 - Virtual ½ Day Class, Communication Strategies to be held on April 8, 2022, between 9:00 AM and 1:00 PM, Register <https://www.nigp.org/course/07432cd6-a721-45b5-aec2-c4689c2d3309>
 - Virtual 3 Day Class, Legal Aspects of Public Procurement to be held May 10 – May 12, 2022, between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM, Register <https://www.nigp.org/course/29e890dd-a072-4c72-a1c8-434944a1804a>
 - If interested in hosting a class, please reach out to Lisa Kesecker
- Study Groups
 - Group meets on Fridays from 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM
 - If interested in participating, please reach out to Nick Canjar
- Internship/Externship/Mentoring
 - Please look for updates contained within our newsletter and released via email
 - If interested in internship/externship participation, please reach out to John Schmidt
 - If interested in participating as a mentor or mentee, please reach out to Kristy Rodriguez
- Community Services
 - If you have organizations that you would like to work with, please reach out to Janice Hughes
- Open Floor
 - Angie Thomas, Recertification Chair, working on recertification tips, she is available to assist in the recertification process
 - Procurement Month Proclamations: City of Palm Bay (see the March 2022 Newsletter) and City of Orlando (to come in the May 2022 Newsletter)
- Job Postings
 - Procurement Specialist, Southwest Florida Water Management District
 - Procurement Supervisor, Southwest Florida Water Management District
 - Buyer, City of Daytona Beach
 - Procurement Specialist III, University of Central Florida
 - Procurement & Contracting Manager, Lake County School Board
 - Contracting Agent, Orange County Government

Chapter Meeting Is Adjourned, 9:58 AM

- Motion to approve by Susan Blair, Seconded by Wil Henzmann



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Membership Meeting Agenda May 13, 2022

11:45 AM Registration

12:00 PM Lunch

12:30 PM Chapter Business Meeting (Virtual Attendees join the meeting at this time)

1:00 PM Presentation

Welcome – Tabatha Freedman, President

Introductions, Welcome Guests & Recognition of New Members

Old Business

Secretary's Report and Approval of Previous Minutes – Katrina Ponzini

Spotlight Member

Family Day

Treasurer's Report and Approval – Sean Hynes

Vice President's Report – Chris Coghill

Programming Updates

Scholarship Updates

President's Report – Tabatha Freedman

Virtual NIGP Forum Scholarship

NIGP Chapter Performance Standards Seal and Awards

AmazonSmile

Chapter Logo

Officer Bootcamp

New Business

Committee/Task Force(s) – Updates from Chairs

Legislative

Pro-D

Study Groups

Internship/Externship/Mentoring

Community Services

Open Floor

Recognition of New Certifications

Job Postings, Announcements, New Positions, Purchasing News

Other New Business

Chapter Meeting Is Adjourned

2022 CHAPTER MEETING DATES

May 13th

July 15th

September 23rd

December 9th

May 13th Meeting LUNCH MENU

Boxed Lunches

2022 DATES TO REMEMBER

Reverse Trade Show

November 9th

The Central Florida Chapter of NIGP works to promote and support the professional development of its diverse membership and strives to maintain the highest standard of ethics, integrity, public trust and awareness in the public procurement profession.