



Official Chapter **NIGP** The Institute for Public Procurement

PURCHASING TIMES

Monthly Member Newsletter – April 2022



2022 ANNUAL BUDGET

On April 20th, the Board of Directors approved the [2022 Annual Budget](#) for the Chapter. It is available at okapp.org under Documents and Files. If you have any questions, please contact us at support@okapp.org.

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**NIGP
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2022**

NIGP VIRTUAL FORUM

August 20 – 24, 2022 – In person

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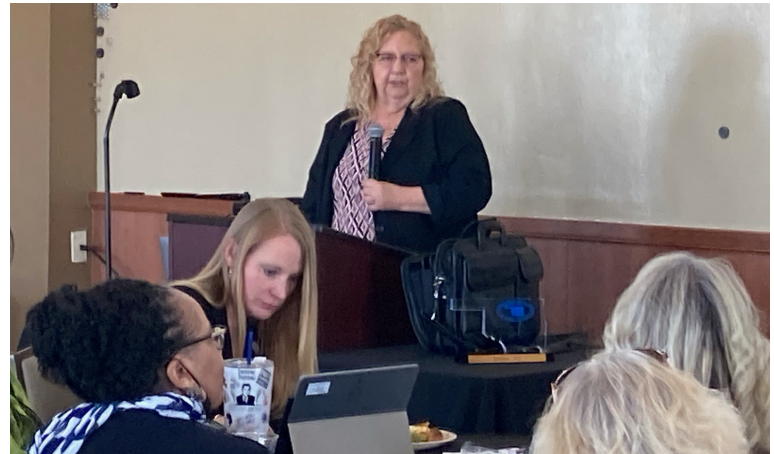
2022 SCHOLARSHIPS

Thank you to everyone who submitted applications. The Awards and Scholarship Committee is reviewing the applications now. Receipts will be announced by May 13th.

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT!

OkAPP held its first hybrid training on January 27th. Lisa Bradley and Asha Parks of OMES provided a training on changes to the Central Purchasing website, the OMES New Solicitation Template and Final Contract, price increases and supply issues, Sourcing Team activities, and the state MRO contract.

Those attending in person at the Lincoln Park Golf Course Club House enjoyed lunch provided by Ted's Cafe Escondido. OMES awarded 1 CEU.



PROCUREMENT MONTH TRAINING

In recognition of Procurement Month, OkAPP provided a free training to its members. The NIGP course covered the impact that COVID-19 has had on manufacturing's pricing and availability and help us identify best practices from other public practitioners on ways to adapted to this "new normal". The class was approved for 1 CEU by OMES and 149 registered to attend.

Over fifty attendees completed the post training survey. 100% of respondents felt the training content met their expectations. Over 98% of members that attended learned something new. Below is feedback received from the survey:

"I found it to be quite helpful & informative about what others in procurement are doing in dealing with the issues that COVID-19 has caused within the different industries, supply chains & procurement in general."

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