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UTAH CHAPTER of NIGP *President's Message*

Happy New Year! I hope you were able to
enjoy a few days off during the holidays and



spend time with family and friends.

2021 was another challenging year. Random disruption to our normal lives continued; from the global pandemic, civil unrest, and natural disasters. These events have prompted us to change the ways we live and work.

Some are still working remotely and are adjusting to family members in the workplace. With newish in-person work interactions, we continue to utilize new technologies to enhance our work experience via video calls with colleagues, vendors, and friends.

The Utah Chapter of NIGP landscape has changed dramatically over the last year, including chapter upgrades like incorporating the chapter, updating the logo, and hybrid learning opportunities. We were thrilled to receive the Platinum Chapter Seal and Outstanding Chapter Award from NIGP, and we are continuing to look for new and innovative ways to fundraise and plan for the future. For some time now, the Utah Chapter of NIGP has focused on recruiting new members and transforming our education and scholarships opportunities. This allows our members to respond more quickly with tools and solutions to help your agency meet the challenges in the rapidly evolving procurement environment.

With our continued partnership with the State of Utah and our NEW partnership with Southern Utah University, we are building resources and training materials to help you meet your needs and your agencies challenges.

Our next chapter meeting will be virtual on **Thursday, January 20, 2022** from 9:00 am – 11:30 am. Below is information on how to register. We hope you'll be able to join us. In addition to our chapter events, please block your calendar on **May 19 from 8 to 2** for our Reverse Trade Show. This is one of our biggest fundraising events of the season and we need your support to be successful. The event will be FREE for agencies and all we ask in return is a donation of \$25 or more to go towards our Silent Auction.

We appreciate your continued support and will continue to listen, learn, and work to improve your membership experience. Feel free to reach out directly to me at bsmith@murray.utah.gov if you have any suggestions or questions.

Sincerely,

Brooke Smith

President, Utah Chapter of NIGP

Future NIGP Meetings

January 20, 2022 (Virtual Event)

9:00 AM - 11:30 AM

To register:

Login to: www.nigputah.org

Click on: "Event Calendar" in the banner

Click on: November NIGP Utah Chapter Meeting

Click on: "Register Now" on the right hand side.

Click on "Next" on the bottom right hand side.

Click on: "Complete Registration".
Future Brown Bag Learning Series
February 17, 2022
Reverse Trade Show
Save the Date: May 19, 2022



SAVE THE DATE

REVERSE TRADE SHOW
Thursday, May 19th, 2022
9 am to 3 pm
Interact. Learn. Connect.
Hosted by:



Reverse Trade Show – May 19th, 2022 – Mountain America Expo Center



Silent Auction Ideas

Spa Gift Certificates	Fine Dining gift certificates
Museum Tickets	Artwork
Comedy Tickets	Jewelry
TopGolf or Golf Course passes	Sports Tickets
BBQ Smore baskets	Board game basket and treats
Movie night baskets	Chocolate gift basket

Both Vendors and Agencies will be able to bid on silent auction items.

This year in lieu of registration fees for our **REVERSE TRADE SHOW** we are asking each agency to provide a minimum \$25 gift item to use in the auction and encourage those agencies with several attendees to provide something with a higher value. We hope each agency will help provide item(s) to donate but encourage attendees to chip in as well. We plan on having over 500 people attend so multiple silent auction items and values are needed to be successful. Money raised through the auction will go directly back to Utah Chapter members to increase learning opportunities, create more scholarships, and provide better content moving forward.



Members Making History

Joe Bryant with West Jordan City received his CAPM certificate with [PMI.org](https://www.pmi.org). Becoming a Certified Associate in Project Management (CAPM) is an asset that will distinguish procurement professionals in the job market and enhance credibility and effectiveness working on — or with — project teams. Congrats to Joe Bryant!!!!



NASPO is excited to announce a new addition to the Procurement U Gives Back program:

free certification exam prep courses for the UPPCC CPPB and CPPO exams!

As a pilot for Spring of 2022, we will be offering our prep courses as fully self-paced courses, **completely free** for anyone to use as a self-study tool.

NOTE: There is no instructor for these courses.

These **free courses** will include:

- 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),
- access to a discussion board to engage with other professionals preparing for the exam,
 - and other helpful tips and resources to help you study.

The courses will be **made available starting in late January** and remain open through the spring exam dates. Input your email at the link below if you would like to be notified via email once these courses are available for you to access.

Click [here](#) to learn more.



Submit a presentation or workshop for NIGP Forum scheduled from August 20-24, 2022. There will be two ways to experience our conference—in-person in Boston, MA and virtually.

With a 75+ year track record, NIGP Forum is the industry's must-attend event of the year designed to provide exceptional learning and networking activities. Procurement professionals from across the country and Canada come together to engage at this annual event. As a speaker, you can share your experience and knowledge while personally growing and developing.

Share Your Expertise. Submit a Proposal

The focused themes for this year's Forum include:

- Construction
- Cooperatives
- Cornerstones of Public Procurement
- Technology & Innovation
- Leadership

This year's submission process uses an online application that provides the ability to highlight your topic, showcase your experience, and choose how you would like to offer your presentation - Live in Boston, Live Streamed, and/or Recorded. This enables you to have an even greater reach and impact on the Procurement community.

New this year – We encourage proposals that offer an interactive learning experience where participants are actively engaged in the conversation.

The deadline for submission is January 14th, 2022. I hope you consider presenting at Forum 2022. Click [here](#) to start your submission. Please use the supporting documents on the website to develop a great proposal.

UVU President Astrid Tuminez talks diversity and mental health.

"We need to now look at what we can do together as one society, and not close the door in each other's faces."

"I think that's what we do.

When we think about diversity and inclusion, we always need to link it to our core business, which is education."

To learn more and read the article, please click [here](#).



We are pleased to announce
that we exceeded our goal of \$300.00.

Thank you so much for your generous donations!!!



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

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