



NIGP Voluntary Contribution Opportunity Visual

The Opportunity: Mentorship Committee

"It is not what we get, but who we become, what we contribute... that gives meaning to our lives."
~ Tony Robbins



What is the opportunity?

The NIGP Mentorship committee supports existing and future public procurement professionals (mentees) by connecting them with mentors. They advance and advocate for the NIGP Mentorship Program and contribute to program's continued growth and expansion. The committee encourages procurement professionals to give back to the profession by serving as mentors and helps mentees and mentors grow professionally while creating a strong, professional network to facilitate life-long learning.



What impact will my contribution make on NIGP?

- Advance professional growth through mentorship.
- Empower procurement professionals leading to increased value of service to entities.
- Equip procurement professionals with relationships and tools to better serve their communities.



What will I do as a member?

- Provide insight on all aspects of the mentorship program growth and development.
- Promote mentoring for the public procurement community.
- Actively advocate for continued program awareness, including engagement in mentorship events.
- Encourage participation of new mentors and mentees.
- Survey program participants to make ongoing program improvements as well as build new tools and support services to support mentors and mentees.
- Contribute to resources supporting the NIGP Mentorship Program, including engagement in social media, providing training, facilitating discussions and participating in NIGP Forum events.



What qualifications do I need to serve on the Mentorship Committee?

- Hold an active NIGP membership as a public procurement practitioner or associate member.
- Have a desire to advocate for mentoring and advancing the NIGP Mentorship Program.



What commitments am I making if I'm selected to serve on this Committee?

Active participation in:

- One conference call every month (or as requested by the Chair)
- NSite Community discussions
- Serving as an ambassador for the Mentorship Program, the profession and Institute
- Preparation for meetings by reviewing the agenda and meeting materials
- Three-year term, renewable once



What do Mentorship Committee members say about the experience?

"It was an honor to be part of building the NIGP Mentorship Program. We are fulfilling a need of our procurement community. Launching the first group of matched mentors and mentees, and then watching them grow in the program, was incredibly rewarding. There is tremendous opportunity for continued growth of the program. Highly recommend this committee for those who want to give back to their profession!"

*Marcheta Gillespie, FNIGP, NIGP-CPP, CPPO, CPPB, CPM, C.P.M.
NIGP Code & Consulting President, AZ*

"I believe that there is no better way to give back to the profession than by mentoring a new or less experienced professional who can leverage a mentor's advice and wisdom with new and innovative ideas"

*Keith Glatz, NIGP-CPP, CPPO
Purchasing & Contracts Manager
City of Tamarac, FL*

"Experiencing the ability to assist with moving the program forward, but more importantly, helping to connect mentors and mentees, has been so fulfilling on a personal level, as well as a professional level."

*Shirley Webb, NIGP-CPP, CPPO, CPPB
Retired, Sherman, IL*