



**TEXAS**  
The University of Texas at Austin

# LUNCH AND LEARN: SOCIETY OF AMERICAN MILITARY ENGINEERS

Historically Underutilized Business /  
Small Business Program



# \$15k

Is the limit university business officers are authorized to approve for small purchase orders (delegated purchases) in order to expedite purchasing functions

## Solicitation Process:

Non-Competitive (delegated) Purchases	Informal Competitive Bids	Formal Competitive Solicitations (ITB & RFP)
\$0 - \$15k	\$15k - \$50k	\$50k +
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Competitive quotes encouraged, but not required</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>3 quotation minimum (written)</li><li>1 quote from minority or women owned business is required</li><li>EAJ may be used when only 1 supplier can meet requirements</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Consult with Procurement</li><li>Formal Solicitation process may be required</li><li>EAJ may be used when only 1 supplier can meet requirements or when the good or service is proprietary</li></ul>
Any Amount	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Contract Purchase Agreement (CPA) Term and Managed Contracts</li><li>Texas Multiple Award Schedules (TXMAS)</li><li>Department of Information Resources (DIR)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Group Purchasing Organizations</li><li>Exclusive Acquisition</li></ul>



# Group Purchasing Organizations

Accredited GPOs:

- [The University of Texas System Supply Chain Alliance \(UTSSCA\)](#)
- [Choice Partners National Purchasing Cooperative](#)
- [E&I Cooperative Services, Inc.](#)
- [Education Service Center - Region 19 \(Allied States Cooperative\)](#)
- [The Local Government Purchasing Cooperative d/b/a BuyBoard](#)
- [Sourcwell, formerly National Joint Powers Alliance \(NJPA\)](#)
- [Vizient, Inc.](#)
- [Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts \(Statewide Procurement Division\) \(TPASS/TXMAS\)](#)
- [Texas Department of Information Resources \(DIR\)](#)

All accreditations will expire August 31, 2026, unless terminated earlier under U. T. System procedures.



## Current Opportunities

Delivery Method	Description	Timeframe	Est. Dollar Value
RFP	<p><a href="#"><u>25CSP007 PPE CP954410-Replace Existing Fire Alarm System</u></a></p> <p><b>Project Description:</b> The scope of work for this project is for the complete replacement of the Fire Alarm (FA) system for the Hal. C. Weaver Power Plant Expansion. The scope includes, but is not limited to demo and replacement of: User end devices, audio visual devices, sensing devices, and system monitoring panel. Additionally, the scope shall include installation of interconnecting wires. The work shall be done according to design documents and pass final inspection. The new installation shall be new code compliant throughout the entire building.</p>	<p><b>Close Date:</b> October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025, 11AM CST</p>	<p>\$600,000 - \$750,000</p>



## Current Projects

	Description	Contact	Est. Substantial Completion
	<p><b>Biological Laboratories Building (BIO) Renovation</b></p> <p>The awarded Project Architect will assist the Owner in developing and issuing multiple proposal packages, as necessary, to maintain the project schedule. Such packages may include, but not be limited to, early site development; abatement of hazardous materials; demolition of existing facilities; installation of Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) measures; and early procurement of long-lead items.</p>	<p><b>James Pearson</b>, Associate Robert A.M. Stern Architects, LLP</p> <p><b>Todd Kaiser</b>, Partner Barnes Gromatzky Kosarek (BGK) Architects, Inc</p>	<b>August 2028</b>
	<p><b>Collections Preservation and Research</b></p> <p>Demolition – Temporarily remove millwork and any wall-mounted fixtures along the demising wall between LSF1 and the College of Natural Sciences. Temporarily remove existing high-bay shelving in LSF1. Remove all gypsum board and insulation on both sides of demising wall. Remove gypsum board 24” back at walls and ceiling / roof perpendicular to demising wall. Remove damaged gypsum board on north wall of LSF1.</p>	<p><b>Amy Ruffino</b>, Project Manager Jacobs</p>	<b>September 2026</b>





# Upcoming Opportunities

## **Professional Service Providers – Marine Science Institute (MSI) Port Aransas**

### **UT Medical Complex Project:**

- General Contractor to perform probe work, make ready, make safe, earthwork, civil and site, foundation, utilities, renovations
- Building Movers
- MCP Enabling Parking
- Land Survey
- Geotech

**Texas Institute Electronics** – develop the next generation of high-performing semiconductor microsystems for the Department of Defense

- **Strategic Partners:** AMD, Applied Materials, Canon, Intel, Micron, Raytheon, Resonac

### **[Construction and Professional Services Contracts Transparency Report](#)**

This page specifically lists contracts that have been issued for the fiscal year.



# Outreach Events

**5th Annual UT Systemwide HUB Construction Opportunity Webinar  
(September 24)**

[Click Here To Register](#)

**Construction Inclusion Week - Supplier Diversity Breakfast  
(October 15)**

[Register Here](#)

**SMWVBO Bexar County Business Conference 2025  
(December 10)**

For more information visit the [Bexar County Business Conference](#) event page.

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and learn more about our  
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Project.**



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# UT Vendor Portal



The UT Austin HUB/SB Program Office ensures the university's good faith effort to include HUB businesses in its procurement efforts. This good faith effort involves evaluating and determining HUB Subcontracting opportunities, administration of the university's HUB mentor/protégé program, participating in marketing and outreach efforts for HUB participation, and HUB reporting to the Texas State Comptroller.

<https://hubsb.utexas.edu/vendor-portal>

[Request A Meeting to Introduce Your Business to The PPS Team](#)



# Formal Bid Opportunities



The Procurement Office publicly posts its formal bid opportunities on Bonfire. First-time users of Bonfire will be required to register with Bonfire to receive email notices of future solicitations or participate in bid opportunities. Potential respondents are responsible for monitoring the solicitation documents for any updates.

<https://utexas.bonfirehub.com/portal/?tab=openOpportunities>



# Planning, Design and Construction



Planning, Design and Construction team members enhance the University's physical environment by managing design and construction for renovation, infrastructure, and minor new construction projects.

View current competitive opportunities using the links below. Solicitations are divided into minor projects (valued under \$10 million) and major projects (valued over \$10 million).

**[Formal Solicitation Opportunities](#)**





## Top 5 Tips



DO YOUR

**HOMEWORK**



**MONITOR**

current bid listings



**INTRODUCE**  
your business



Get  
with the State of Texas

**CERTIFIED**



**STATE**

your interests