

**Facilities and Property Management**

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# **PUR-8**

## **Sustainable Purchasing and Social Equity**

**What You Need To Know**





# The Green Economy

- Government and corporations are going green
- Public procurement at all levels typically makes up 15% of Gross National Product (GNP)
- State and local governments spend more than \$400 billion on goods and services
- Multnomah County spends \$400 million annually



# Walmart

## Goals

- 100% renewable energy
- Zero waste
- Selling greener products from greener companies

Created a Supplier Sustainability Scorecard



# Sustainable Purchasing is...

Recognizing that **every** purchase has an impact on human and environmental health and economic sustainability.

Choosing products and services that reduce impacts on human health and the environment.

Integrating sustainability and green building best practices into projects





# PUR-8 & Compliance

- Applies to procurements over \$5,000.
- A Sustainable Purchasing Checklist must be submitted to Purchasing in order to receive a procurement number.
- Bids and lowest bidder quotes – sustainability considerations should be integrated into specifications.
- RFPs and CPQs (proposal) - mandatory evaluation points
  - 10% for relevant sustainability criteria
  - 10% for social equity (MWESB and workforce diversity)
  - 5% for employee healthcare and other benefits



# What does that look like?

***Sustainability considerations could include:***

## **The materials and supplies being used for the project:**

- Lumber (e.g. forest management, supply chain, resins and coatings)
- Energy efficiency (e.g. windows, doors, appliances, electronics, insulation)
- Water conservation (e.g. low flow, landscaping design and maintenance)
- Toxics reduction (e.g. cleaning products, paints and solvents)

## **The sustainability practices of the contractor/supplier**

- Waste management plans (e.g. diversion, recycling practices, prevention)
- Fleet management (e.g. efficiency, diesel emissions, idling, maintenance, fluids and oils)
- Their general business practices (e.g. energy and water conservation, using recycled content products, reducing paper, reducing toxics)



# What does that look like?

## **Specifying sustainable materials and practices in the design**

- Conveying to architects the County's commitment to sustainability and the desire to incorporate sustainable materials, design, and practices into project design.

## **Notes on Evaluation Criteria:**

- The vendor's experience and knowledge of sustainability principles and green building practices
  - Their ability to deliver the requirements
- The vendor's internal business practices
  - How the vendor integrates sustainability into the way they do business on a daily basis.





# Web based resources and tools

**Google page:** Link has been added to Purchasing MINT site

## Sustainable Purchasing at Multnomah County

- Checklists
- Language library
- Best practices manual
- Links to other agency resources
- Case studies
- Calculators



# Summary

- Use LEED Green Building Checklist and Green Building policies as best practices for County projects.
- Submit a LEED checklist or other documentation with the PUR-8 checklist
- Refer to the checklists when planning the project –EARLY



# How I can help you

Contact me **early** in the planning process

- I can conduct a sustainability assessment
- I will research other agency procurements
- I am able to research the industry/marketplace
- I am here to help write language and criteria
- I can help with checklists

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Questions?

