Inside KUB Procurement

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KUB serves more than 478,000 customers in Knox and parts of seven surrounding counties with safe and reliable electric, fiber, natural gas, wastewater, and water.

New Year New Opportunities

New KUB Purchasing Limits

The Procurement Department is responsible for materials, supplies, services, construction, and maintenance purchases separated into these categories:

Small Purchases:

Purchases between \$0-\$14,999: No competition required

Formal Competitive Process:

- Purchases between \$15,000-\$49,999:
 Three written quotes
- Purchases \$50,000+: Requires publicly advertised bids

How To Do Business With KUB

- Register at www.bidsync.com.
- Check www.kub.org for upcoming bids.
 - Oscroll down to "About us".
 - Olick "Procurement".
 - Click "View open bids and request for proposals".
- Attend upcoming outreach and networking events.
- Make contact with Procurement buyers that purchase your service or goods.
- If you are a Women or Minority Business Enterprise, reach out to KUB's MBE/WBE coordinator Nikitia Thompson at Nikitia.Thompson@kub.org.



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Upcoming Opportunities

	Anticipated Bid Date
CPR and First Aid	2/1/2023
Trucks and Equipment Rentals	3/1/2023
Ergon Oil Supply Agreement	3/1/2023
Industrial Utility Towels	3/1/2023
Background Checks	3/1/2023
Scrap Meters Pickup	3/1/2023
OSHA Compliant Safety Footwear	3/1/2023
Traffic Control Services	
Transportation Parts Supply	4/1/2023
Reclosure Supply Agreement	4/1/2023
Telephone Language Services	4/1/2023
DDB Cabinet Supply Agreement	4/1/2023
Courier Services	4/1/2023
Concrete & Flowable Fill Supply	4/1/2023
Traffic Barriers	6/1/2023
Circuit Breakers, 72.5kV, 2000	6/1/2023
Vegetation Management Plan & Inspections	6/1/2023
Supply Agreement for Plastic Fab Services	7/1/2023
Kuwahee Truck Scale Calibration	7/1/2023
Fiber Construction & Splicing	7/1/2023
Vision Insurance	
Radio Equipment Repair RFP	7/1/2023
KUB Hats	7/1/2023
Water Meter Supply Agreement	9/1/2023
Wood Poles Supply Agreement	
Fire Hose Supply Agreement	9/1/2023

Upcoming Events

DBE Business Chill Out

January 24, 2023 4–6 p.m.
City of Knoxville Public Works Building
3131 Morris Ave.

IT Connection Event

February 21, 9–10:30 a.m.
KUB Operations Building Room A&B
4505 Middlebrook Pike

Meet the KUB Procurement Team

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