



Tips for Doing Business with Texas

Register with the CMBL

Ready to tap into Texas-sized business opportunities? [Follow these step-by-step instructions](#) to register with the Centralized Master Bidders List (CMBL) and be notified of any solicitation \$25,000 or more. It's \$70/year to register. Use a group email address that two or more people have access to and keep your contact information up to date so you don't miss an opportunity.

Make the Most of Your Opportunity

Solicitations offer you a chance to let a requesting agency know about the goods or services you provide. When you register for the CMBL, use the most applicable purchasing class and item codes so you're notified about the solicitations that best apply to your business. The State of Texas uses National Institute of Government Purchasing (NIGP) Commodity Codes. [Learn more about NIGP codes here.](#)

Do Your Research

Search the ESBD

The [Electronic State Business Daily \(ESBD\)](#) lists all solicitations that are currently out on the open market.

Search for DIR Planned Procurements

Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR) is the state's information technology and telecommunications agency. For DIR projects, check the ESBD or [view their list of planned procurements for the fiscal year here.](#)

Get an Early Start with the HHS Procurement Forecast

Find a forecast of upcoming major HHS procurements (\$20 million or more) on the [Procurement Opportunities page](#). We update the forecast weekly.

Become a Texas-Certified HUB

Do you [qualify as a historically underutilized business \(HUB\)](#)? [Become Texas certified](#) so you can do business with Texas!