

The COSTARS Program

**Procurement,
Simplified.**



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SESSION OBJECTIVES

Who is Eligible for
Membership?

Member Overview

Contracts

Supplier Overview

COSTARS Training Center

Local Public Procurement Units



**Political subdivision, e.g., local municipalities,
school districts**



**Tax-exempt nonprofit education or public health
institution**



Public authority



**Tax-exempt nonprofit fire, rescue,
ambulance company**



**And to the extent provided by the law, any
other entity that expends public funds for the
procurement of supplies and services**

Benefits to Members & Commonwealth

Membership is Free!

Reduces costs & time of the public bidding process

Flexibility

Product Customization

Efficient use of taxpayer funds

Supports Suppliers of All Sizes

COSTARS Data

Member Growth:

9,000+

Supplier Growth:

2,000+

Sales Growth:

\$1 Billion+



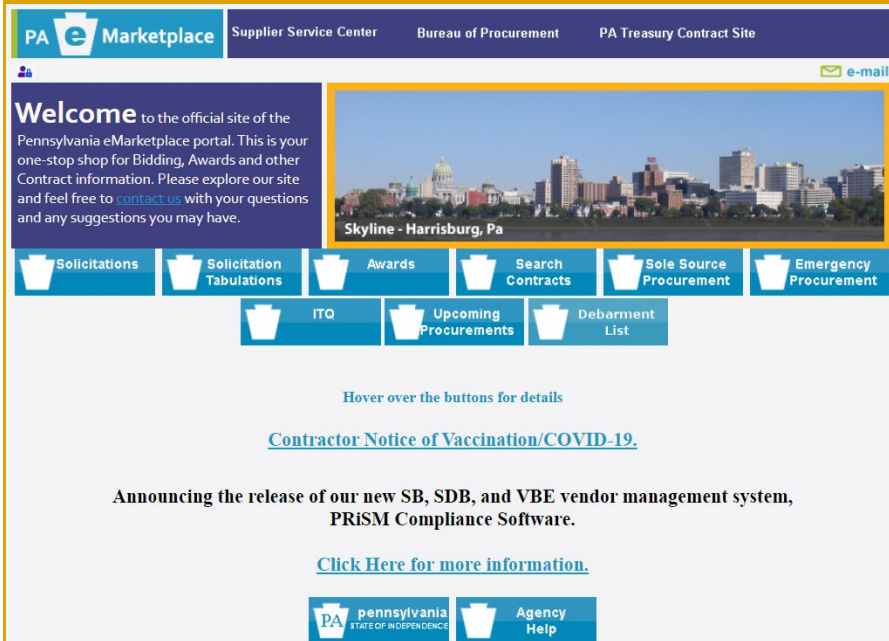
COSTARS-Exclusive Contracts

GUIDE TO COSTARS CONTRACTS



- IT Hardware **Schaedler Yesco #003-127**
- Maintenance, Repair & Operation (MRO) **Schaedler Yesco #008-024**
- Water & Wastewater Treatment Plants Components & Equip. **Schaedler Yesco #016-018**
- Waste, Recycling and Materials Handling Containers
- Street Lighting, Parking Meters, and Street Furniture **Schaedler Yesco #033-027**
- Security and Surveillance Systems and Fire Alarm Systems Equip., Products & Services **Schaedler Yesco #040-010**

Statewide COSTARS-Participating Contracts



The screenshot shows the PA Marketplace website homepage. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for "Supplier Service Center", "Bureau of Procurement", and "PA Treasury Contract Site". Below the navigation bar is a "Welcome" message and a banner image of the Harrisburg skyline. A row of buttons provides access to various procurement functions: Solicitations, Solicitation Tabulations, Awards, Search Contracts, Sole Source Procurement, Emergency Procurement, ITQ, Upcoming Procurements, and Debarment List. A notice below the buttons announces the release of a new vendor management system, PRISM Compliance Software, and provides a link for more information.

PA Marketplace Supplier Service Center Bureau of Procurement PA Treasury Contract Site

Welcome to the official site of the Pennsylvania eMarketplace portal. This is your one-stop shop for Bidding, Awards and other Contract information. Please explore our site and feel free to [contact us](#) with your questions and any suggestions you may have.

Skyline - Harrisburg, Pa

Solicitations Solicitation Tabulations Awards Search Contracts Sole Source Procurement Emergency Procurement

ITQ Upcoming Procurements Debarment List

Hover over the buttons for details

[Contractor Notice of Vaccination/COVID-19.](#)

Announcing the release of our new SB, SDB, and VBE vendor management system, PRISM Compliance Software.

[Click Here for more information.](#)

PA pennsylvania STATE OF INDEPENDENCE Agency Help

- Elevator Maintenance & Repair
- Equipment Maintenance
- Temporary Rented Power & HVAC Equipment ITQ
- Maintenance, Repair & Operation (MRO) – **Schaedler Yesco #4400016345**
- Master Information Technology (IT) Services ITQ
- Security, Surveillance, and Fire Systems ITQ
- Electronic Vehicle Supply Equipment

Benefits to Suppliers

Large PA Customer Base

Supplier can sell by quality – not just price

Co-branding helps drive sales

Contract scope allows for flexible product offerings

Reliable Payment

Reduced administrative fees for SB / SDB

SB / SDB classification is a searchable criteria

Supplier Administrative Fees

ADMINISTRATIVE FEE

Verified Small, Diverse Businesses	Self-Certified Small Business	All Other Businesses
\$166	\$500	\$1,500

Flat annual fee, per contract, paid upon contract award.

COSTARS Supplier Process

Register for a six-digit vendor number with the Commonwealth.
www.dgs.pa.gov > eMarketplace > Supplier Service Center (top left link)

Self-certify as a Small, Small Diverse or Small Veteran-owned Business.
(if applicable) www.dgs.pa.gov > Businesses > Small Diverse Business

Electronically submit a bid package on a COSTARS-exclusive contract or download and sign the "COSTARS Election to Participate" form. For ITQ's, this form is to be uploaded in Jaggaer. For non-ITQ's, return the form to the Commodity Specialist in charge of the contract.

Pay annual administrative fee invoice.

Trainings

www.dgs.pa.gov/COSTARS



PA Supplier Portal eMarketplace COSTARS Commonwealth Phone Directory View / Schedule Capitol Events Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion

[Department of General Services](#) > [COSTARS \(Cooperative Purchasing\)](#)



COSTARS is the **Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's cooperative purchasing program** and serves as a conduit through which registered and eligible local public procurement units (LPPUs) and state-affiliated entities (together "Members") are able to leverage contracts established by DGS to cost-effectively and efficiently identify suppliers with whom to do business. The goals of this program are:

- To encourage, expand, and facilitate the opportunities for Members to achieve procurement savings and the best value through an interactive partnership with the Commonwealth.

- Program Resources
- Member Information
- COSTARS Supplier Information
- COSTARS Process – Online Trainings**
- Aggregates & Anti-Skid Materials



Trainings

Member Trainings

[COSTARS User Registration](#)

[COSTARS Member Registration](#)

[COSTARS Member Association Request](#)

[Update COSTARS Member Profile](#)

[Search Aggregates and Anti-skid Materials Contracts](#)

[Search COSTARS-Exclusive Contracts](#)

[Search Statewide and ITQ Contracts](#)

[Register for Sodium Chloride Road Salt Contract](#)

[View Sodium Chloride Road Salt Contract](#)

You may also be interested in viewing some recordings of webinars we presented this year tailored to existing members and organizations eligible to become members:

[Webinar Recordings for Members](#)

Supplier Trainings

[Access the COSTARS Supplier Gateway](#)

[Bidding on a COSTARS-Exclusive Contract Through Electronic Bidding](#)

[Pay Your Annual COSTARS Administrative Fee](#)

[Report COSTARS Sales](#)

[Update COSTARS Supplier Information](#)

[Access COSTARS Member Contact Information](#)

[Search COSTARS-Exclusive Contracts](#)

[Search Statewide and ITO Contracts](#)

We also have recorded webinars available for current COSTARS-authorized suppliers and companies interested in the COSTARS program:

[Webinar Recordings for Suppliers](#)



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