Hands-On Assistance in Government Contracting

The Procurement Technical Assistance Program (PTAP) was established to expand the number of businesses capable of participating in government contracts. The program is administered by DLA's Office of Small Business in cooperation with states, local governments and nonprofit organizations. Under the program, Procurement Technical Assistance Centers (PTACs) are a nationwide network of procurement professionals who help businesses compete for and perform contracts with the Department of Defense, other federal agencies, state and local governments and with government prime contractors.

Where are PTACs located?

PTACs have a local presence in all 50 states, Washington, D.C., Puerto Rico, Guam, and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Some PTACs specialize in assistance to federally recognized tribes and their members.

Does it cost anything to become PTAC client?

Most PTAC assistance is provided free of charge.

What can a PTAC do for you?

PTACs provide day-to-day assistance, along with training, to firms seeking to do business with federal agencies and state and local governments in the form of such services as:

- Identifying government agencies that purchase a firm's products or services
- Networking and matchmaking events to meet government buyers and prime contractors
- Using the internet to sell to the government
- DLA's Internet Bid Board System (DIBBS)
- Prime & subcontracting opportunities
- Contracting fundamentals
- Helping to prepare bids/proposals
- Pre-award & post-award administration issues
- Locating military and other government specifications and drawings
- Small business programs and certifications
- Cost accounting system compliance
- Cybersecurity clause compliance
- Small Business Innovative Research (SBIR) program information
- Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) program information

Where can I learn more about PTACs?

Watch a video to learn more about PTAC support to large and small businesses: https://youtu.be/_mX88Sr18x8

Where can I find contact information for my local PTAC?

Find your local PTAC at http://www.dla.mil/SmallBusiness/PTAP/PTAC.aspx