A Guide to Completing the Procurement Details Section in Egrants
This walkthrough provides a detailed, step-by-step process of how to complete the Procurement Details section of PCCD’s Egrants system.

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For information and guidance on how to create a budget, review the Procurement Details Walkthrough located on the Grant Guides webpage.

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METHODS OF PROCUREMENT

- Subgrantees shall use their own procurement procedures and regulations, provided at a minimum, the procurement conforms to the Methods of Procurement as outlined in PCCD’s Applicant’s Manual – Financial and Administrative Guide for Grants, beginning on page 16.

- PCCD’s “Methods of Procurement” follow the procurement standards as written in Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards – 2CFR 200.318 through 200.326.

Important to note: Professional services are not exempt from applicable procurement methods.
Procurement by micro-purchase is the acquisition of supplies or services, the aggregate dollar amount of which does not exceed the micro-purchase threshold.

To the extent practicable, the subgrantee must distribute micro-purchases equitably among qualified suppliers. While competitive purchasing is always encouraged, micro-purchases may be awarded without soliciting competitive quotations if the subgrantee considers the price to be reasonable.

As of the publication of this walkthrough, the micro-purchase threshold is $10,000. Procurement less than $10,000 is considered a micro-purchase.

Refer to the Applicant’s Manual – Financial and Administrative Guide for Grants for additional insight into procurement requirements.
Procurement by small-purchase procedures are those relatively simple and informal procurement methods for securing services, supplies or other property that do not cost more than the Simplified Acquisition Threshold.

If small purchase procedures are used, price or rate quotations must be obtained from multiple qualified sources.

As of the publication of this walkthrough, the Simplified Acquisition Threshold is $250,000. Procurement from a single vendor costing $10,000 through $249,999 is considered a small-purchase.

Refer to the Applicant’s Manual – Financial and Administrative Guide for Grants for additional insight into procurement requirements.
Procurement by sealed bids/formal advertising is required for items that exceed the Simplified Acquisition Threshold.

Bids are publicly solicited and a firm fixed price contract (lump sum or unit price) is awarded to the responsible bidder whose bid, conforming with all the material terms and conditions of the invitation for bids, is the lowest in price.

As of the publication of this walkthrough, the Simplified Acquisition Threshold is $250,000. Procurement of $250,000 or more must follow the sealed bids/formal advertising procurement procedures.

Refer to the Applicant’s Manual – Financial and Administrative Guide for Grants for additional insight into procurement requirements.
• Procurement by competitive proposals is normally conducted when price or rate quotations are obtained from multiple qualified sources.

• All procurement transactions shall be conducted in a manner so as to provide maximum open, free and fair competition.

• Procurement from a purchasing network such as COSTARS, PEPPM, KPN, etc. is considered competitively procured.

• A proposed formal advertised or competitive negotiated procurement for which only one bid or proposal is received is deemed to be a noncompetitive procurement. PCCD sole source approval must be secured – reach out to the PCCD fiscal contact listed on the grant for assistance as special rules may apply.

• Refer to the Applicant’s Manual – Financial and Administrative Guide for Grants for additional insight into procurement requirements.
PROCUREMENT BY NON-COMPETITIVE PROPOSALS

• All procurement transactions shall be conducted in a manner so as to provide maximum open, free and fair competition.

• Non-competitive, aka Sole Source, purchases or contracts are discouraged; but if such a request is made, the applicant must identify the request as a Sole Source and provide substantial justification for the Sole Source request. PCCD will scrutinize the request and may or may not approve it.

• The Procurement Details section of the grant application in Egrants provides the platform for requesting sole source procurement. Information entered into this section will be distributed to a multi-level PCCD Sole Source Request review team.

• Refer to the Applicant’s Manual – Financial and Administrative Guide for Grants for additional insight into procurement requirements.
Because sole source procurement is discouraged, it is important to be detailed, compelling and complete when adding narrative to the Procurement Details section.

Consider the following questions when completing this section:

- Is a sole source procurement really necessary?
- Is the request sufficiently justified?
- Does the request clearly and concisely explain why a sole source is necessary?
- Does the justification clearly state why it could not be done competitively?
- What does this vendor offer that no other vendor can?

The narrative entered into the Procurement Details section is copied verbatim and distributed to a multi-level PCCD Sole Source Request review team.

All questions in this section require a full response. “N/A” and/or “Not Applicable” are not acceptable responses to any of the questions. All questions must have a responsive narrative.

Refer to the Applicant’s Manual – Financial and Administrative Guide for Grants for additional insight into completing the Personnel category of the budget, including Time and Effort Reports requirements.
Procurement Details

Click on the link to open the Procurement Details section.
Procurement Details

The Procurement Details section opens to an overview of procurement methods and standard procedures and regulations.

The Applicant’s Manual – Financial and Administrative Guide for Grants provides additional insight into completing the application, including the Procurement Details section of the application.
Procurement Details

Simplified acquisition threshold (2 CFR200.88) means the dollar amount below which a non-Federal entity may purchase property or services using small purchase methods. Non-Federal entities adopt small purchase procedures in order to expedite the purchase of items costing less than the simplified acquisition threshold. The simplified acquisition threshold is set by the Federal Acquisition Regulation at 48 CFR Subpart 2.1 (Definitions) and in accordance with 41 U.S.C. 1908. As of the publication of this manual, the simplified acquisition threshold is $250,000, but this threshold is periodically adjusted for inflation.

A proposed formal advertised or competitive negotiated procurement for which only one bid or proposal is received is deemed to be a noncompetitive procurement.

Does this application include any procurements by noncompetitive proposal?

2. If you answered 'No' to Question 1 above, please fill in the grid below for each product or service to be procured by noncompetitive proposal. If you have multiple products or services, use the 'Add Row' link to allow entry into a new row of the grid.

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3. If you answered 'Yes' to Question 1 above, please fill in the grid below for each product or service to be procured by noncompetitive proposal. If you have multiple products or services, use the 'Add Row' link to allow entry into a new row of the grid.

4. Please respond to the following questions for each vendor or contractor identified as being procured using Sole Source. For additional vendors or contractors, select the 'Add New' link.

Click on the drop-down arrow to select a response to the question “Does this application include any procurements by noncompetitive proposal?”
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1. Does this application include any procurements by noncompetitive proposal?

If a sole source request is to be submitted, select “Yes.”

2. If you answered “No” to question 1 above, the applicant agency must keep documentation on file to support and verify the competitive method of procurement. The applicant must also keep documentation on file which justifies the selection of the successful vendor. Does the applicant agree to keep supporting documentation as described?

3. If you answered ‘Yes’ to Question 1 above, please fill in the grid below for each product or service to be procured by noncompetitive proposal. If you have multiple products or services, use the ‘Add Row’ link to allow entry into a new row of the grid.

4. Please respond to the following questions for each vendor or contractor identified as being procured using Sole Source. For additional vendors or contractors, select the ‘Add New’ link.
If “Yes” is the selected response to question #1, there is no need to answer question #2. It may remain blank.

If “No” is the selected response to question #1, select “Yes” or “No” from the drop-down choices in question #2. Question #2 is confirming the applicant will keep documentation that supports competitive procurement methods were used to purchase items.

(If no sole source procurements are needed; after answering questions #1 and #2, the applicant may skip the next series of slides and move directly to marking this section as “Complete.”)
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If “Yes” is the selected response to question #1, click on **Add Row** to enter line item details about the sole source procurement.
### Procurement Details

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- Yes

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Add a description of the product or service to be sole sourced.
Procurement Details

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Click on the down-arrow to open the drop-down selection list.
Select the budget category that contains the line item to be sole sourced.
Procurement Details

Enter the total budgeted value of the product or service. If item is to be purchased over multiple years, add the costs and enter the total amount over the life of the project.
Procurement Details

Click on the down-arrow to open the drop-down selection list.
Select the Procurement Method to be used. In this case, Sole Source is selected.
### Procurement Details

**Does this application include any procurements by noncompetitive proposal?**

- **Yes**

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- [Check box]

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**Enter the vendor’s name if known.**
Click on **Add Row** to enter additional sole source requests.

When question #3 is complete, scroll down to question #4.
Question #4 contains eight parts numbered 4.1 through 4.8. Each part must be completely and concisely answered. “N/A” and/or “Not Applicable” are not acceptable responses to any of the parts.

The narrative entered here will be copied verbatim and distributed to a multi-level PCCD Sole Source Request review team, and must provide a complete, compelling and clear justification as to why a sole source purchase is the only procurement option for this product or service.
When responses to all questions are complete, click on **Save And Continue Editing** to review the Procurement Details Section or to enter additional procurement details.

If complete, scroll to the top of the section.
Moving to Complete Status
Procurement Details

Click on the drop-down arrow next to Completion Status.


At minimum, PCCD grant recipients and subrecipients must follow the procurement standards as written in Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards - 2CFR 200.318 through 200.326.

Methods of Procurement

Subgrantees must use one of the following methods of procurement (from 2 CFR 200.320):

(a) Procurement by micro-purchases. Procurement by micro-purchase is the acquisition of supplies or services, the aggregate dollar amount of which does not exceed the micro-purchase threshold ($200.67Micro-purchase). To the extent practicable, the subgrantee must distribute micro-purchases equitably among qualified suppliers. Micro-purchases may be awarded without soliciting competitive quotations if the subgrantee considers the price to be reasonable.

(b) Procurement by small purchase procedures. Small purchase procedures are those relatively simple and informal procurement methods for securing services, supplies, or other property that do not cost more than the Simplified Acquisition Threshold. If small purchase procedures are used, price or rate quotations must be obtained from an adequate number of qualified sources.
Select Complete, and scroll to the bottom of the page.

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Click **Save**.
### Procurement Details

The Procurement Details section is now in **Complete** status.
Additional Information

- Use the links in the table of contents to the right to revisit any step of this walkthrough.

- All Egrants forms can be found on the Egrants Home page of PCCD’s website.

- If you have any questions throughout this process, email ra-cd-sssc@pa.gov.

- For additional grant guides and walkthroughs, please visit the PCCD Grant Guides Site.