

Government Contracting for Hurricane Recovery in NC

An Introductory Guide

In the wake of Hurricane Helene's devastating impact on Western North Carolina, the state faces the need for reconstruction and recovery efforts. Contractors and service providers have a unique opportunity to contribute to the rebuilding process through potential state and federal contracts.

This list of resources from the state's procurement system, **eProcurement**, has been compiled to assist organizations in navigating the state contracting process. In addition, you will find information regarding registration for federal contracting opportunities and working with FEMA.

Whether you're looking to provide emergency services, infrastructure repair, or community rebuilding support, this guide will help you through the necessary steps to become involved in the recovery process.

Affected Counties: Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Buncombe, Burke, Caldwell, Catawba, Cherokee, Clay, Cleveland, Gaston, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Iredell, Jackson, Lincoln, Macon, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Polk, Rutherford, The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Transylvania, Watauga, Wilkes, Yancey, Mecklenburg, Surry, Swain, and Yadkin

How to Become a North Carolina State Contract Vendor

North Carolina eProcurement

To do business with the state of North Carolina, vendor must register their company on the electronic Vendor Portal (eVP) and are required to manage their own account and keep it fully up to date.

HUB and NC Small Business Enterprise Registration (if applicable)

Vendors may register for NC eProcurement and begin the Historically Underutilized Business and/or North Carolina Small Business Enterprise application processes all from the same eVP account registration.

Purchase Order Statuses

Vendors using an Ariba Network account to do business with the state of North Carolina can create order confirmations, ship notices, or reject the entire order.

Solicitations

Watch for relevant solicitations. All solicitations will be posted in eVP. Vendors will respond in eVP or through the Ariba Business Network



Collaboration Requests

Collaboration Requests are used by NC eProcurement buyers to work with multiple vendors on the best pricing for goods and services. Vendors will receive a notification that they have been sent a collaboration request and can then choose to respond with a quote, called a collaboration proposal, for the requested items. After the collaboration request has been closed, the buyer can then review all received responses and work with the vendor that sent in the best proposal for the goods and/or services.



For state contracting assistance, contact the North Carolina SBTDC
Find your local office: [sbtdc.org/locations](https://www.sbtdc.org/locations)

North Carolina eProcurement Registration Guides

Registering in eVP

[Guide: Job Aid](#)

Managing eVP Account and Contacts

[Guide: Job Aid](#)

Selecting Commodity Codes in eVP

[Guide: Job Aid](#)

HUB Registration

[Guide: Job Aid](#)

NCSBE Registration

[Guide: Job Aid](#)

HUB and NCSBE Recertification

[Guide: Job Aid](#)

Solicitation Guides

Viewing and Responding to Solicitations in eVP

[Guide: Job Aid](#)

Responding to an Ariba Sourcing Event

[Guide: Job Aid](#)

Accessing the Ariba Network

[Guide: Job Aid](#)

Purchase Order Status Guides

Accessing the Ariba Network

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Updating Purchase Order Status

[Guide: Job Aid](#)

Collaboration Request Guides

Accessing the Ariba Network

[Guide: Job Aid](#)

Responding to a Collaboration Request

[Guide: Job Aid](#)

Federal Requirements for Disaster Recovery Contracting

Federal participation is separate from state requirements. The information provided here is to give you a full picture of how to engage in both state and federal contracting for disaster recovery efforts.

✓ Register with SAM.gov

SAM.gov is the federal government's portal for managing procurement and contracts. To compete for federal disaster recovery contracts, your business must be registered and assigned a Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) and Cage Code. Visit [SAM.gov](#) for more information on registration.

✓ FEMA Industry Liaison Program

The FEMA Industry Liaison Program (ILP) connects private sector businesses with FEMA's contracting needs. By submitting a vendor profile, businesses can be considered for contracts related to disaster recovery. Learn more: [Doing Business with FEMA](#).

✓ U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Vendor Registration

If your business specializes in construction, engineering, or public works, you may want to register. The USACE manages disaster recovery efforts, particularly in infrastructure rebuilding. For more information, visit [USACE Contractor Database](#).



For federal contracting assistance, contact the North Carolina MBC

Find your local office: www.ncmbc.us/wp-content/uploads/Newmap-with-starsPT_FT-1.png

Federal Solicitation Links

- [System for Award Management \(SAM\)](#)
- [Prime Subcontracting Opportunities](#)
- [Unison Marketplace](#)



The North Carolina Military Business Center is a statewide business development and technology transition entity of the State of North Carolina, embedded in community colleges and headquartered at Fayetteville Technical Community College.

The Small Business and Technology Development Center (SBTDC) is a business advisory service of the UNC System, administered statewide by NC State University and operated in partnership with the U.S. Small Business Administration.

