



Tribal Guide to Using GSA Solutions Summary

BACKGROUND: The U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) recently updated a buying guide to break down our agency’s programs for tribal success. The guide can be found on our website, here: <https://www.gsa.gov/resources/native-american-tribes>. You can view and download this guide by clicking the “Tribes and Tribal Organizations - Guide to Using GSA Solutions” link, which is located underneath the “Getting started” section within the link above.

The primary purpose of the guide is to enhance tribal relationships and to provide a brief overview of our products, services and solutions.

The current guide highlights each program and explains the various tribes and tribal organization ordering authorities that can be leveraged in support of your mission. It’s written in a plain language format, with step-by-step sections including:

- Who May Use: Identifies the primary authorities supporting the use of GSA sources by Tribes and tribal organizations.
- Learn More: Gives the reader web address links that direct them to our agency website, where they can learn more about each program.
- Key step: Gives the reader a disclaimer on what they should know before use of that particular program.

MAKING THE NEXT VERSION BETTER THROUGH CONSULTATION: GSA acknowledges the importance of Tribal sovereignty as well as our unique relationship with each of the Tribal Nations. Working with federal programs can be complicated, but our main goal is to bring you the tools you need for all of the various GSA resources available to you. In this guide, our intent is to use plain language and inclusive content that is applicable to the reader.

GSA continuously looks to identify new methods that will improve the overall buying experience. We value your input and invite your feedback to assist us with enhancing the existing guide so that it will better suit your acquisition needs in the future.

Examples of feedback we are looking for:

- Is there more or different information you would like to know?
- Should we expand upon current sections (e.g., Add information to Section 5: GSA eTools)?
- Are there more or different sections you would like to see? A glossary installed in the back? The Public Law authorities broken down in detail?



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- Is there a way we can better address the differences between Tribes and Alaska Native Corporations in accessing programs?

Comments can be submitted in person during the consultation or by email at tribalaffairs@gsa.gov. Please use the subject line "GSA 2023 TRIBAL CONSULTATION COMMENTS SUBMISSION." Registration for the RES 2023 event is not required to participate in the consultation. We do ask that you register for the consultation through our website at <https://www.gsa.gov/resources/native-american-tribes> or on-site so we can accurately capture the tribal representatives present at the meeting.