

TIPS

NATIONAL PURCHASING COOPERATIVE

Offering a suite of trenchless infrastructure solutions designed to simplify and speed-up the procurement process.

ONLINE PURCHASING SYSTEM



THE INTERLOCAL PURCHASING SYSTEM

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WHAT IS TIPS?

"THE INTERLOCAL PURCHASING SYSTEM" STREAMLINES THE BID & PROCUREMENT PROCESS

TIPS provides a proven process to eliminate purchasing related stress for governmental entities. Contact TIPS to help you simplify the procurement process and save taxpayer dollars.

To be compliant, all contracts are awarded by virtue of a public competitive procurement process that meets state statutes. In addition, all TIPS solicitations (RFP's/RFP's) are advertised on a regional and national scale.

BECOME A MEMBER OF TIPS NOW!

For more information, go to tips-usa.com/membership for step-by-step instructions. The process is fast, and it's free. TIPS staff and legal counsel will verify that your state's purchasing law allows for the operation of purchasing cooperatives within the state through either direct or piggyback agreements. This legal authority is accessible, by state, on the TIPS website.

VORTEX
is an approved BuyBoard vendor

**Contract #: 231102
(Pipe Bursting)**

WHY USE TIPS?

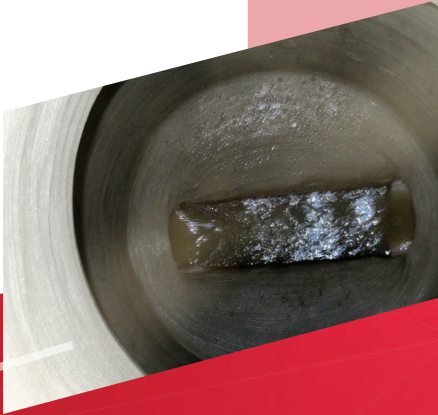
TIPS HELPS LOCAL GOVERNMENTS SAVE TAXPAYER DOLLARS BY STREAMLINING THE PROCUREMENT PROCESS.

TIPS is approved across the U.S. and offers a wide range of competitively priced contracts for goods and services. TIPS delivers, to you, pre-approved, competitively awarded services and solutions.

Most states have inter-local cooperation authority or other joint power provisions that allow participation in cooperative activities.

You qualify if you are one of the following:

- Municipality, City, County and/or State Agency
- Utility District (MUD, WCID, Irrigation)
- Government Authority (Airport, Port, River, Water, Toll Road)
- Council of Government
- And, many others!



STREAMLINE PROCUREMENT, SELECT FROM COMPETITIVELY AWARDED VENDORS AND CONTRACTORS

TIPS provides pre-approved products and services. All contracts have been awarded by virtue of a public competitive procurement process compliant with state statutes. TIPS receives competitive bids for a wide range of products and services from hundreds of contractors and vendors.

HOW TO MAKE A TIPS PURCHASE

JOIN

Become a member of TIPS — it's FREE! The TIPS application is simple.

SELECT

- Review the available contracts on the TIPS website: "All Contracts" page
- Select the service you need performed from a list of awarded vendors in the appropriate contract category.

CONTACT

- Contact the vendors you are interested in pursuing, utilizing the
- TIPS vendor contact information provided on the website
- Identify yourself as a TIPS member to the vendor to obtain a quote based on the TIPS awarded contract.

CONTRACT

- Select the vendor from whom you would like to purchase.
- Create a PO clearly identifying the purchase order as a TIPS purchase, including the TIPS contract number.
- Email the completed purchase order to: tipspo@tips-usa.com

TIPS staff will strive to make your purchasing process as simple as possible. If you need to deviate from the process due to procedures implemented by your organization, please contact the TIPS office at: 866.839.8477.

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF PRE-APPROVED CONTRACTS

UTILIZE A PRE-APPROVED CONTRACT FOR TRENCHLESS INFRASTRUCTURE REPAIR SOLUTIONS.

Through TIPS, you are able to tap into competitively bid, pre-approved trenchless solutions for your water and sewer infrastructure repair needs:

- Inspection and Assessment Services
- Sewer Rehab Repair and Coating Materials
- Large Diameter, Geopolymer Pipe Relining — 36" diameter and up
- Pipe Bursting
- Cured-In-Place Pipe Relining (Heat, Steam, UV)
- Sewer Robotic Systems
- Manhole, Wet Well, and Junction Box Rehabilitation
- Point Repair Systems