

ACHIEVEMENTS IN EXCELLENCE



Office of Purchasing Receives the 11th Annual Excellence in Procurement® Award

The National Purchasing Institute, Inc. has notified the City of Orlando Office of Purchasing that they have been awarded the 11th Annual Excellence in Procurement Award. This award is designed to measure innovation, professionalism, e-procurement, productivity, and leadership attributes of the procurement function. The Achievement of Excellence in Procurement is sponsored by the National Purchasing Institute (NPI), the California Association of Public Purchasing Officers (CAPPO), Florida Association of Public Purchasing Officers (FAPPO), the Institute of Supply Management (ISM), and the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing (NIGP), the National Association of State Procurement Officials (NASPO) and the National Association of Educational Buyers (NAEB). The City of Orlando is one of only 57 organizations to receive this national award at least four times and was in the top five of all cities for total points achieved. A beautiful trophy will be presented in mid-November.

Office of Purchasing Receives National Institute of Governmental Purchasing "Outstanding Agency Accreditation Achievement Award"



The Office of Purchasing was the first local government procurement entity to receive the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing (NIGP) "Outstanding Agency Accreditation Achievement Award." The City of Orlando is very pleased to announce that the Office of Purchasing has renewed its certification and again earned this honor for 2003! This award formally recognizes excellence in public procurement by establishing a body of standards that should be in place for a solid purchasing operation. The Office of Purchasing met stringent NIGP requirements in eight mandatory categories: a well-defined mission statement, an organization plan insuring the strategic plan is continually reviewed, annual plans of the office include measurable objectives, planning/scheduling, methods of source selection, sole source/limited competitions, standards/specifications, personnel/professional development. The City also met requirements in four optional categories of property management, audit/evaluation, cooperative purchasing/ automated purchasing system and electronic commerce. While the NIGP membership represents 2,100 governmental agencies throughout the United States and Canada, only 58 governments have attained this distinction.

The Office of Purchasing continues to lead a very elite group of purchasing organizations that represent the highest sustained standards of quality and efficiency in government!