



## **Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency joins the Pennsylvania Purchasing Group by bidnet direct**

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**Harrisburg, PA** – The Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency (PHFA) announced that it has joined the Pennsylvania Purchasing Group and that as of September 1, 2022, will be publishing and distributing upcoming bid opportunities on the bidnet direct system. PHFA will utilize the system to streamline the purchasing process including bid management, bid distribution and vendor relations. bidnet direct’s Pennsylvania Purchasing Group connects participating agencies from across Pennsylvania and is a single, online location for managing sourcing information and activities. It provides the tools needed to have a compliant, transparent bid process while minimizing costs and saving time.

In addition to the existing vendors on the Pennsylvania Purchasing Group, all vendors looking to do business with the Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency can register online: <http://www.bidnetdirect.com/pennsylvania/phfa>. The Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency invites all vendors interested in being a business partner with the Agency to register as soon as possible to begin getting information and access to upcoming solicitations.

Registered vendors can access open bids, related documents and files, additional addendum, and award information from all participating agencies. In addition, the Pennsylvania Purchasing Group offers a value-added service to notify vendors of new bids targeted to their industry, all addenda and advance notification of expiring term contracts. bidnet direct’s vendor support team is available to answer any questions regarding the registration process or the bid system at 800-835-4603 option 2.

The Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency has its own, branded page on the public side of the Pennsylvania Purchasing Group in which taxpayers can view all closed bids and any awarded information.

“In furtherance of good governance of agency operations, this system provides a more effective way to manage the solicitation process. Our goals are to provide an easier way for supplier partners to be aware of potential business opportunities, to encourage participation and opportunities for diverse suppliers and to provide transparency for the public. We are excited about building stronger supplier partnerships by becoming a part of the purchasing group,” stated Robin Wiessmann, Executive Director and CEO of the Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency.

### **About PHFA**

The Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency works to provide affordable homeownership and rental housing options for older adults, low- and moderate-income families, and people with special housing needs. Through its carefully managed mortgage programs and investments in multifamily housing developments, PHFA also promotes economic development across the state. PHFA programs and

operations are funded primarily by the sale of securities and from fees paid by program users, not by public tax dollars. The agency is governed by a 14-member board.

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