

# **Associations For Federal Contractors**

One of the tenets for success in the federal procurement arena is to network, network, network.

The following is a list of professional associations for contractors, contract managers, OSDBU officers, diversity supply mangers, and others. Take advantage of the opportunity to talk with fellow contractors.

## American Small Business Coalition (ASBC) - http://www.theasbc.org

For federal contractors and government agencies, ASBC contributes to the fulfillment of the requirements of government agencies and the growth and development of diverse, talented entities, and professionals.

Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association (AFCEA) - <a href="http://www.afcea.org">http://www.afcea.org</a> AFCEA International, established in 1946, is a non-profit membership association serving the military, government, industry, and academia as an ethical forum for advancing professional knowledge and relationships in the fields of communications, IT, intelligence, and global security.

Association for Federal Information Resources Management (AFFIRM) - <a href="http://www.affirm.org">http://www.affirm.org</a>
AFFIRM is a non-profit, volunteer, educational organization whose goal is to improve the management of information within the federal government. Founded in 1979, its members include Information Resources Management (IRM) professionals from the federal, academic, and private sectors. AFFIRM is based in the Washington, DC area, and is an affiliated council of the American Council for Technology (ACT).

Association for Proposal Management Professionals (APMP) - <a href="http://www.apmp.org">http://www.apmp.org</a>
Through association and education, we provide our members access to tools, methods, processes, innovations, talent, and specialized expertise that can directly improve the ability to acquire new business and to sustain growth and competitiveness in a dynamic and demanding marketplace.

### Alliance of Supplier Diversity Professionals (ASDP) - <a href="http://www.asdp.us">http://www.asdp.us</a>

ASDP is a non-profit corporation with members throughout the United States, offering education and professional development opportunities. Supplier diversity goals support business, while ensuring that traditionally disadvantaged minority and women business owners get a fair chance at competing for contract opportunities.

### Coalition for Government Procurement (CGP) - http://www.thecgp.org

The Coalition is the single most effective voice for commercial selling in the federal market. Our 30 years of working with decision makers in and out of government for common sense acquisition rules gives us unparalleled experience that is put to work daily for our members.

National Association of Small Business Contractors (NASBC) - <a href="http://www.nasbc.org">http://www.nasbc.org</a>
The National Association of Small Business Contractors (NASBC) serves to support and advance the interests of small business contractors.



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NASBFC is a proactive advocacy organization representing and advancing the agenda of U.S. small business. NASBFC protects and promotes the growth of technology-based small businesses in the government procurement marketplace. Building upon diversity and collective strength of member companies, NASBFC, has become an effective voice in the formation and implementation of small business legislation.

## National Contract Management Association (NCMA) - <a href="http://www.ncmahq.org">http://www.ncmahq.org</a>

NCMA will lead and represent the contract management profession. Our vision is that enterprises will succeed through improved buyer–seller relationships based on common values, practices, and professional standards.

### Professional Services Council (PSC) - <a href="http://www.pscouncil.org">http://www.pscouncil.org</a>

PSC is the national trade association of the federal government's professional and technical services industry. PSC is widely regarded as the most respected and effective advocate and resource on the full scope of legislative, regulatory, and business policy issues affecting the industry.

### Small and Emerging Contractors Advisory Forum (SECAF) - <a href="http://www.secaf.org">http://www.secaf.org</a>

SECAF enables the small and emerging government contractor to achieve maximum growth in a highly competitive marketplace. Arming companies with business resources, access to influencers and government agencies, advocacy opportunities and education, SECAF is the most important investment of time a growing company can make.