8(a) STARS III Industry Partners,

GSA's Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU) is working to develop effective activities, impactful training, and dynamic events to support small businesses after being awarded a GSA contract vehicle. Please consider completing the post-award engagement strategy survey so that the OSDBU office develops a plan that reflects your input and suggestions on how GSA can better support your success.

Survey Link: https://feedback.gsa.gov/jfe/preview/SV afs0I7vPStUkbA2?Q CHL=preview

The OSDBU has requested that you complete the survey by Tuesday, May 10, 2022. The survey should take approximately 12 minutes to complete.

Please see the attached snapshot, pulled from the GWAC Dashboards (http://www.gsa.gov/gwacdashboards).

Congratulations to the following Industry Partners on your recent task order awards reported during April 2022:

AAGCS LLC

APPDDICTIONSTUDIO LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

CVTEK, LLC

CYBER SECURITY SOLUTIONS, LLC

DIACONIA LLC

HALVIK CORP

I-CONNECT, L.C.

ILABSCREATIVEJV LLC

JAZZ SOLUTIONS INC.

ONEZERO SOLUTIONS LLC

SYNERGIST JV LLC

TATITLEK FEDERAL SERVICES, INC.

TRILOGY SECURED SERVICES, L.L.C.

VERACITY CONSULTING, INC.

WESTERN DOOR FEDERAL, LLC

We issued 36 DPA's for 8(a) STARS III during April 2022 (as identified by agency):

Department of Agriculture

Department of Defense

Department of Health and Human Services 3

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Department of Homeland Security 3

Department of Justice 3

Department of State 2

Department of the Air Force 3

Department of the Army 4

Department of the Interior 4

Department of the Treasury 2

Department of Transportation 3

Export Import Bank of the US 1

General Services Administration 2

Independent U.S. Government Offices 1

Small Business Administration 2

April eBuy Postings Summary:

There were 26 RFQ/RFI eBuy Postings for STARS III

23 in the Main Scope Area

1 in the Emerging Tech Sub-Area

2 in the OCONUS Scope Sub-Area

Below are the agencies that posted:

Department of Commerce

Department of Defense (Office of the Secretary of Defense)

Department of Homeland Security

Department of Justice

Department of State

Department of the Air Force

Department of the Army

Department of the Navy

Department of Transportation

General Services Administration

If you are not receiving eBuy notices, please update your profile in eBuy.

Useful Info

 GSA has created a Delegation of Procurement Authority (DPA) training program on YouTube. This training is accessible to you and your customers 24/7 and will qualify as the training required to obtain a delegation of procurement authority. The training may be accessed at

https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLvdwyPgXnxxWTbU15qsbxSIH9OyYTQY3s.

You can also use the Embed Code below to add the YouTube DPA training directly to your IP website:

EMBED CODE:

<iframe width="560" height="315"

src="https://www.youtube.com/embed/videoseries?list=PLvdwyPgXnxxWTbU15qsbxS IH9OyYTQY3s" title="YouTube video player" frameborder="0" allow="accelerometer; autoplay; clipboard-write; encrypted-media; gyroscope; picture-in-picture" allowfullscreen></iframe>

- Pro Tip: Never be late on reporting again! Create a visual aid to remind you of reporting requirement due dates. Set a monthly calendar reminder to review and report any necessary actions!
- Add "ReportingInquiries@gsa.gov" to your approved sender list. A team of program analysts supporting the STARS III team will send notices when required reporting is delinquent from the "ReportingInquiries@gsa.gov" email address. Failure to report timely or respond to a request for action will impact your STARS III performance record!
- Once you have been awarded a STARS III task order, the monthly reporting requirements at sections G.17 and G.18 apply. The zero invoice report makes it clear to GSA that you have not received payment on an invoice; and it ensures our systems do not identify you as delinquent on the associated reporting requirements. This topic is covered during regularly scheduled CPRM user training sessions and you will also find self-paced training modules on the CPRM homepage under the Access to Training Modules link (https://portal.fas.gsa.gov/assist2-web/help". You can filter training offerings by selecting CPRM from the Tab filter.
- New FAR Final Rule "<u>Applicability of Small Business Regulations Outside of the United States</u>", Effective May 26, 2022

Do you have a topic you would like us to cover under our Industry Partner Education Webinars? If so, let us know.

Upcoming Events

 Please mark your calendars to join us on May 24th at 2pm ET for a one hour training session on SBA's offer/acceptance process and the role of the SBA Business Opportunity Specialist. Additional information is below:

May 24th 2-3pm ET

Webinar Link

Closed captioning will be available

- GSA & SBA Present: <u>A MONEY SMART Series</u> Join GSA for our Money Smart Series. GSA is teaming-up with the Small Business Administration (SBA) to offer a six-part training series. It will explain how to start and manage a business. Also offering training to help you understand how to use SBA's loan programs to get money for your business.
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions Webinar for FAS Contractors is Now Available

Reminders

- Remember that your Contract Number should be included in the subject line of emails to the STARS III Team.
- If you have not submitted your Sections G.5, G.7 and G.8, please do so immediately by completing Google Form (preferred) or via an email to s3@gsa.gov. Google Form for Deliverables
- Remember all Marketing Material for your 8(a) STARS III contract must be submitted for approval, you can email to <u>\$3@gsa.gov</u>, Make sure you include your contract number in subject line as this is required for all emails to the STARS III Team.
- If you have submitted a webpage for review and corrections were required, please resubmit the webpage, once corrections are made, for approval to S3@gsa.gov. Make sure you include your contract number in the subject line.
- Please check our industry partner spreadsheet at www.gsa.gov/s3industrypartners to verify that your company information is accurate. Especially make sure the 8(a) exit date for your company is correct. If any information is incorrect, please submit changes to s3@gsa.gov.
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 Training Modules link. You can filter training offerings by selecting CPRM from the Tab
 filter.
- Please ensure that you are reviewing and responding to email when necessary from S3@gsa.gov, reportinginquiries@gsa.gov, it-soladmin@it-solutions.gsa.gov and the helpdesk@gsarba.com.

• If you have questions or difficulty with ASSIST, please contact the Service Desk at (877) 472-4877 or email assist.servicedesk@gsa.gov.

Thanks.

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