



# Polaris GWAC

## Your Guiding Star for Small Business IT Solutions

Polaris is a multiple-award indefinite-delivery/indefinite-quantity (MA-IDIQ) Governmentwide Acquisition Contract (GWAC). Polaris provides access to customized information technology (IT) services and IT services-based solutions from small businesses.

Polaris has four distinct set-aside pools of industry partners:



**SMALL BUSINESS**



**WOMEN-OWNED  
SMALL BUSINESS**



**HISTORICALLY  
UNDERUTILIZED  
BUSINESS ZONE  
(HUBZone)**



**SERVICE-DISABLED  
VETERAN-OWNED  
SMALL BUSINESS**

Polaris helps federal agencies access cutting-edge technology solutions offered by small businesses by using an already-established contract vehicle. Polaris streamlines the task-order process and saves taxpayer funds.

### CONTRACT SCOPE

The Polaris contract offers IT service solutions such as system design, software development, cloud services, cybersecurity, and IT operations and maintenance. The contract also helps agencies acquire emerging technologies such as quantum computing and artificial intelligence.

Ancillary support such as clerical work, data entry, and IT products may be included if integral to and necessary for the IT services-based effort. GSA offers an optional scope-review service to help determine whether your project is within the scope of the Polaris GWAC.

You can find more information at [www.gsa.gov/polaris](http://www.gsa.gov/polaris).

### ORDERING INFORMATION

Before issuing task orders against Polaris, Contracting Officers (COs) must complete training on the use of the Polaris contract and obtain a written Delegation of Procurement Authority (DPA) from the GSA Polaris COs.

Visit [www.gsa.gov/events](http://www.gsa.gov/events) for information on GWAC training opportunities.



### FOR MORE INFORMATION

Visit the Polaris site for the most-current information on the Polaris GWAC.

[www.gsa.gov/polaris](http://www.gsa.gov/polaris)

Contact our IT Customer Service Center at [ITCSC@gsa.gov](mailto:ITCSC@gsa.gov) or 855-ITaid4U (855-482-4348). The phone line is open from Sundays at 9 p.m. to Fridays at 8:30 p.m. (ET).



FEATURES OF POLARIS	BENEFITS OF POLARIS
Unlimited master-contract ceiling and five-year base period with one five-year option	Allows for long-term planning of large-scale program requirements
Contract types include fixed-price, labor-hour, cost reimbursement, and time-and-materials	Offers flexibility of contract types to mitigate risk
Ancillary services and/or equipment are permitted when integral and necessary for the IT services-based solution	Facilitates integrated IT services-based solutions
Access to highest qualified small business industry partners in four distinct pools	Enables federal clients to earn small business credit while fulfilling mission needs
Pre-competed, easy-to-use contract with streamlined ordering procedures	Saves time and money by reducing procurement lead time
Complimentary scope compatibility reviews	Promotes contract compliance and reduces risk of adverse audits
No protests on orders at or below \$10 million, except on the grounds that the order increases the scope, period, or maximum value of the GWAC	Minimizes protest risk and supports timely order award for optimal mission support

## GSA E-TOOLS

GSA eBuy is an online request for information (RFI) and request for proposal (RFP) tool for GWAC stakeholders.

<https://www.ebuy.gsa.gov/>

The GWAC Dashboard is an interactive tool that allows GWAC stakeholders to view and segment GWAC task order award information to make better business decisions.

<https://d2d.gsa.gov/report/gsa-fas-gwac-sales-dashboard>

The Acquisition Gateway is a workspace for acquisition professionals and federal buyers to connect with resources, tools, and each other to improve acquisition governmentwide.

<https://acquisitiongateway.gov>



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