

Dept. of Enterprise Services (DES)

Getting Started Overview

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The [Washington State Department of Enterprise Services](#) has statewide contracts that leverage the state's collective buying power to help you save money, reduce risk, and streamline purchasing.

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Getting started...

Before an organization can use the state's purchasing power, the organization must sign a [contract usage agreement](#). There is no cost to sign a contract usage agreement. The following are the types of entities eligible to access DES contracts and contracting services:

- Washington state agencies
- Local Washington governmental entities (city, county, public utility district, school district, etc.)
- Higher education institution located within Washington state
- Federal government field office located within Washington state
- Tribal government located in Washington state
- Public benefit nonprofit located in Washington state

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Current Software Functions

DES statewide contract [14922](#) (Software Value Added Reseller [SVAR] 2022) offers software such as **CommuteHub (RideAmigos) and Luum.**

- An example of software needs, which would be provided to DES contracting staff for a vendor search:
 - Ride matching (i.e., carpooling, vanpool)
 - Trip logging incentives and management
 - Employer program tools (e.g., employee transportation coordinator dashboard, reports)
 - Guaranteed ride home
 - Multimodal information logging (transit, biking, walking, teleworking, etc.)
 - Outreach/engagement campaigns
 - A plug-and-play platform
 - ADA-compliant using Web Content Accessibility Guidelines

MRSC: Find Your Contracting Requirements

- [The Municipal Research and Services Center](#) (MRSC)

This tool helps local government officials in Washington State identify and understand their statutory legal requirements for purchasing and contracting. **Your jurisdiction may have established its own, more stringent policies, so always consult your local policies and legal counsel.**

 - [MRSC Resources for Transit Districts](#) - This page, created for members of the Washington State Transit Association (WSTA), provides an overview of the services and resources MRSC provides for transportation districts in Washington State.
 - [Procurement & Public Works](#)
 - [Purchasing and Contracting](#) - This page provides links to all of MRSC's resources related to purchasing, bidding, and contracting for local governments in Washington State.
 - [Find Your Contracting Requirements](#) (interactive tool)

Recommended Next Step: Understanding your needs.

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