



# LEADERS

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Summer is over, but not the savings!



Your words in any language.

*Expand your reach. Broaden your impact.*

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## DID YOU KNOW?

Choice Partners has become a recent Cooperative Partner Member of the NCPP Association – a preferred organization providing access for expertise and information on all areas related to governmental procurement and purchasing cooperatives. This organization elevates the discussion, advocacy and educational content on cooperative procurement. Partners work collaboratively to bring all pieces of procurement together – cooperatives, strategic suppliers, affiliated organizations and public procurement professionals. Its goal is to produce meaningful educational tools to support public procurement agencies and become the “go to” resource for cooperative procurement.

Choice Partners’ goal as an NCPP partner is to provide its members and vendors with cutting-edge industry standards.



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## **FEATURED VENDOR: ALBOM TRANSLATION SERVICES**

Translation services are in high demand as they are needed in multiple venues of life. It is no secret that everyday communications are complicated by an ever-increasingly diverse population. Parents of students want and need to engage with schools and the district as a whole. Cities and counties have many residents with English as their second language. Bilingual staff are not always available, have the time to assist or speak the language needed. Look to Choice Partners' newest awarded vendor **Albom** to meet your translation needs.

**Contract #19/047KC-01.**

## **2019 NUTRITION & PRODUCT EXPO**

A banner for the 2019 Nutrition and Product Expo. It features a stylized sun with the 'CP' logo in the top left, palm trees on the left, and blue waves at the bottom. The background has horizontal yellow and light blue stripes. The text is centered and reads: 'CATCH THE NUTRITION WAVE!' in large orange letters, followed by 'CHOICE PARTNERS NUTRITION AND PRODUCT EXPO 2019' in blue, 'OCT. 2, 2019 HUMBLE CIVIC CENTER' in red, and '9 a.m. - 1 p.m.' in red. At the bottom, it says 'For more information and to RSVP: www.choicepartners.org/events' in white.

**CATCH THE NUTRITION WAVE!**

**CHOICE PARTNERS NUTRITION AND PRODUCT EXPO 2019**  
**OCT. 2, 2019 HUMBLE CIVIC CENTER**  
**9 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

For more information and to RSVP: [www.choicepartners.org/events](http://www.choicepartners.org/events)

## **2019 ANNUAL VENDOR EXHIBIT**

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**CATCH THE PROCUREMENT WAVE!**

**CHOICE PARTNERS VENDOR EXHIBIT 2019**  
**OCT. 25, 2019 BAYOU CITY EVENT CENTER**  
**10 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

Meet our Choice Partners facilities, technology, product and supply vendors. CEU opportunity from 9 a.m. - 10 a.m.

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## WELCOME NEW AUGUST MEMBERS

**HCDE Interlocal Agreements with new members:** Failed Foundation, Dallas, Texas; Friendswood Friends Church, Friendswood, Texas; Lockhart ISD, Lockhart, Texas, and Western Texas College, Snyder, Texas.

**HCDE Out-of-State new members:** Aiken County Government, Aiken, S.C.; Collinsville, Collinsville, Ill.; Denver City and County, Denver, Colo.; El Paso County School District 49, Peyton, Colo.; James City County, Williamsburg, Va.; Kiryas Joel UFSD, Monroe, N.Y.; Missoula Public Library, Missoula, Mont.; Opelousas Housing Authority, Opelousas, La.; St. Lucie Public Schools, Port St. Lucie, Fla., and Tolleson Elementary School District, Tolleson, Ariz.

## AUGUST CONTRACTS

**Awarded Contracts** fAiken County Government, Aiken, S.C.; Collinsville, Collinsville, Ill.; Denver City and County, Denver, Colo.; El Paso County School District 49, Peyton, Colo.; James City County, Williamsburg, Va.; Kiryas Joel UFSD, Monroe, N.Y.; Missoula Public Library, Missoula, Mont.; Opelousas Housing Authority, Opelousas, La.; St. Lucie Public Schools, Port St. Lucie, Fla., and Tolleson Elementary School District, Tolleson, Ariz.

**Renewed Contracts** for Third Party Code Inspection Services; Affordable Care Act (ACA) Auditing/Reporting Services; Student Information System; JOC-IDIQ for Roofing, Building Envelope and Waterproofing; Technology Hardware, Software and Services; JOC-IDIQ for Athletic Surfaces and Related Items; Industrial Equipment Rent, Lease or Purchase; and Custodial Supplies and Services.

**Recent Assignment of Contract** for Technology Products and Services from Total Technologies, LLC to Inflow Communications, Inc. with contract number 17/026KH-37.

## CURRENT CSPs & RFPs

Fleet Leasing & Management Services.....	<b>Due Date:</b> Sept. 3, 2019
Applied Technology Learning Laboratories.....	<b>Due Date:</b> Sept. 6, 2019
Vending Machines and Services for Beverages and Snacks.....	<b>Due Date:</b> Oct. 4, 2019
Athletic/Playground Supplies and Related Items .....	<b>Due Date:</b> Oct. 21, 2019
Art Supplies and Related Items.....	<b>Due Date:</b> Oct. 21, 2019
Appliances and Related Items.....	<b>Due Date:</b> Oct. 21, 2019
Classroom Teaching Supplies and Related Items.....	<b>Due Date:</b> Oct. 21, 2019
Custodial Supplies and Related Items.....	<b>Due Date:</b> Oct. 21, 2019
Food Service Supplies and Related Items.....	<b>Due Date:</b> Oct. 21, 2019
Health/Medical Supplies and Related Items.....	<b>Due Date:</b> Oct. 21, 2019
Office Supplies and Related Items.....	<b>Due Date:</b> Oct. 21, 2019
Safety/Security Supplies and Related Items.....	<b>Due Date:</b> Oct. 21, 2019
Technology Supplies and Related Items.....	<b>Due Date:</b> Oct. 21, 2019

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## 2019

### August 25–26

NIGP National Conference, Austin, TX

### September 4–6

TAC Legislative Conference, Austin TX

### September 17

CP Member Workshop at NPO, Houston, TX

### September 20–21

TASA/TASB, Dallas, TX

### September 25–27

ISM-RGV, South Padre Island, TX

### September 30

TOAL, Little Rock, AR

### October 2

CP Nutrition & Product Expo, Humble, TX

### October 25

CP Nutrition & Product Expo, Houston, TX



## GET INVOLVED

Let your contact who are quality vendors know about these opportunities. They must register in our E-Bid System to do business with us.

<https://www.choicepartners.org/become-a-vendor>

## HOST A TRAINING

We love for our members to host a training. They are a great way to network and gain exposure. Let us know if you would like to host a training.

<https://www.choicepartners.org/contact-us>

## SUBMIT A REVIEW

Do you know a vendor who has provided exemplary service? Have a statement to make about Choice Partners service quality? Let us know.

<https://www.choicepartners.org/member-reviews#ss>