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# City of El Paso Wins Achievement of Excellence in Procurement

## Recognized for Innovation and Excellence

**EL PASO, Texas**—The City of El Paso Purchasing & Strategic Sourcing Department received the 2025 Achievement of Excellence in Procurement Award (AEP) from the National Procurement Institute (NPI).

The AEP Award honors agencies that demonstrate a strong commitment to excellence in public procurement. Each year, NPI recognizes organizations that exemplify innovation, professionalism, productivity, leadership, and e-procurement practices.

“This recognition belongs to our incredible Purchasing team,” said Deputy City Manager Nicole Cote. “Their professionalism, innovation, and tireless dedication ensures that our procurement practices not only meet national standards but set the bar for excellence. Earning this award for the eleventh consecutive year is proof of their commitment to provide fair and competitive opportunities to do business with the City of El Paso.”

The City of El Paso is one of only 85 cities in the United States and Canada to earn this prestigious recognition. Recipients are evaluated through a rigorous application process measuring performance in innovation, professionalism, e-procurement, productivity, and leadership.

The AEP program encourages continuous organizational improvement while advancing excellence in public purchasing.

For more information on the [Purchasing & Strategic Sourcing Department](https://www.elpasotexas.gov/purchasing) visit [elpasotexas.gov](https://www.elpasotexas.gov).

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### ABOUT ACHIEVEMENT OF EXCELLENCE IN PROCUREMENT AWARD

The Achievement of Excellence in Procurement (AEP) Award is an annual recognition by the National Procurement Institute (NPI) for public and non-profit organizations demonstrating excellence in procurement practices. The award evaluates organizations on innovation, professionalism, productivity, e-procurement, and leadership, encouraging continuous improvement in public purchasing.



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