



ROUNDTABLE
PROCUREMENT SERVICES



Community Purchasing Network Charter of Operations

The Principles of the CPN

1. Community

- The program's design and development will benefit any and all non-profit organizations in Canada who choose to participate as CPN members
- The CPN will prioritize offering deals with suppliers that address the needs of multiple organizations (and not the unique needs of any one client)
- RTPS will proactively solicit feedback on the program's performance including but not limited to RTPS and supplier service levels and deal quality.

2. Credibility

- CPN members, as well as RTPS and suppliers, will act in the interest of partnership and program development in order to achieve sustainable improvement for all members and the sector overall.
- CPN members, RTPS and suppliers will be fair and transparent in their interactions and dealings and work to maintain partnership and program credibility. This means refraining from one-off comparison (price) shopping.

3. Value Creation

- Non-profit organizations, upon becoming CPN members, will have the opportunity to immediately and continually realize positive net cost savings in the way of both hard-dollar AND time-savings.
- CPN members acknowledge that value creation is dependent on the principles of the CPN being followed and reasonable effort being made by CPN members to use the supplier deals available whenever appropriate.

Our Values

1. Commitment

- To maintain credibility as well as continuously realize positive cost savings, CPN members, RTPS and suppliers commit to mutually beneficial collaboration

2. Collaboration

- To actively engage in the process of providing and collecting feedback on program performance including but not limited to member feedback on how positive net cost savings can be realized and/or increased whenever possible.

3. Many versus Few

- To prioritize the development of supplier deals that benefit the greatest number of CPN members.
- To recognize that although every deal will not benefit every CPN member equally, the total, aggregate benefit available to all committed participants over time is significant.