

Doing Business with the Florida Department of Corrections

How can my company do business with the Florida Department of Corrections?

The Vendor Bid System (VBS) is the single online portal that lists all current contracting opportunities with all state agencies, including the Department of Corrections, for solicitations over \$35,000.

What is my first step?

Information found on VBS will help prepare you to make informed decisions when the right opportunity presents itself! In VBS you will:

Step 1:

 Find Invitations to Bid, Request for Proposals, and Invitations to Negotiate

Visit the Vendor Information Portal (VIP) at http://vendor.myfloridamarketplace.com to begin the MyFloridaMarketPlace (MFMP) vendor registration process.

View the results of solicitations Get email notifications of VBS opportunities

Step 2:

If you need assistance in completing your

and MFMP Sourcing. This will ensure that you receive email notifications to the Solicitation Contact noted in your registration on opportunities through VBS, Sourcing, and MFMP eQuote that match the commodity codes you select.

Be sure to select "Yes" for VBS notifications

VIP registration, please contact the MFMP

Customer Service Desk at 1-866-352-3776 or vendorhelp@myfloridamarketplace.com.

Some items are purchased using **State Term** Contracts (STC). These contracts are negotiated by the Department of Management Services, Division of State Purchasing and are mandatory for state agencies to use. A listing of State Term Contracts is available at www.dms.myflorida.com

What kinds of goods & services does the Department of Corrections purchase?

The Department of Corrections also issues Agency Term Contracts (ATC) that are required Due to the unique nature of the correctional environment, we purchase everything from simple commodities to complex services.

for use by the entire Department. A listing of Agency Term Contracts is available at www.dc.state.fl.us.

Examples Include:

Toothpaste Mattresses Toothbrushes Food **Food Services Equipment Inmate Telephone Services Inmate Canteen Operations Healthcare Services Blankets Officer Uniforms** Weapons **Restraint Devices Radios**

Vehicles

For a full listing of recent FDC purchases, please visit the Florida Accountability Contract Tracking System (FACTS)

For more information on doing business with the Department of Corrections, please contact the Office of Financial Management, Bureau of Procurement at (850) 717-3700.