

About Mike Purdy



Mike Purdy has more than 33 years of experience in public procurement and contracting in the State of Washington.

Employment History

Mike was the Contracts Manager for the University of Washington's Capital Projects Office prior to his retirement in February 2010. At the UW, he was responsible for managing design and construction contracts for more than \$1 billion worth of projects at the University.

Before joining the UW in 2005, he spent five years at the Seattle Housing Authority where he served as Contracting and Procurement Manager, overseeing all of the contracting and purchasing (construction, design consultants, other consultants, goods, supplies, and services) for the largest residential landlord in the state.

Prior to that he worked for the City of Seattle for more than 21 years, where he administered the City's construction and consultant contracts as the City's Contracting Manager.

Consulting Services

In his "retirement," Mike currently works as a consultant through his firm, Michael E. Purdy Associates, LLC (www.mpurdy.com), where he assists public agencies and businesses in managing the complexities of public contracting, and in providing training. He is a member of a number of industry wide committees and task forces.

Mike Purdy's Public Contracting Blog

Mike also maintains the popular Public Contracting Blog at http://PublicContracting.blogspot.com, designed to keep public agencies, contractors, and consultants up-to-date on key developments in public procurement and contracting.

Educational Background

Mike has a bachelor's degree in business and public administration and an MBA, both from the University of Puget Sound (Tacoma, WA), and a master of divinity degree from Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena, CA).

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