The State Procurement Office (SPO) establishes awards and maintains statewide contracts for state agencies and political subdivisions throughout the State of Arizona. This cooperative purchasing partnership of 400-plus includes state agencies, colleges and universities, counties, cities, school districts, and qualified not-for-profit organizations.

**Mohave Educational Services (MESC)** is a non-profit corporation public procurement unit pursuant to provisions of A.R.S. 11-952 and 41-2632. As a public procurement unit, Mohave must follow the Arizona procurement code. A statewide board of trustees (made up of seven school administrators) provides oversight of the cooperative.

The Strategic Alliance of Volume Expenditures (SAVE) cooperative purchasing group is composed of public agencies within the State of Arizona that have joined together to competitively bid and award certain contracts in an effort to promote further competition in the public procurement process. An agreement with SAVE will enhance the school's ability to purchase supplies, equipment, and services that are advantageous to the school.

The State Procurement Office (SPO) charges its awarded vendors a 1% fee to administer the State Cooperative Purchasing Program. Mohave also has a one-percent administrative fee built into the vendor pricing. Eligible school districts do not pay a fee for membership in SAVE.

The Government Procurement Alliance (1GPA) is an Arizona-based non-profit national governmental purchasing cooperative that allows public agencies to take advantage of existing public contracts to purchase the goods they need at the most competitive prices.

**U.S. Commodities** was founded in 1996 as a partnership between the Association of School Business Officials, the National Association of Counties, the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing, the National League of Cities, and the United States Conference of Mayors. U.S. Communities is the leading national government purchasing cooperative, providing world-class government procurement resources and solutions to local and state government agencies, school districts (K-12), higher education institutes, and non-profits looking for the best overall supplier government pricing.

**OMNIA Partners** Public Sector is the most experienced cooperative purchasing organization for state and local governments, K-12 education, colleges, and universities.

**BuyBoard National Purchasing Cooperative** was created to support and serve public schools, municipalities, county governments, and all types of local government agencies and nonprofits. Our goal is to provide our members with competitive pricing, a trusted and transparent procurement process, reduced administrative costs, and superior service.

**National Cooperative Purchasing Alliance ( NCPA )is** a leading national government purchasing cooperative working to reduce the cost of goods and services by leveraging the purchasing power of public agencies in all 50 states.

**Sourcewell** was created by the state of Minnesota and is an independent, local government agency. Governments may use sourcewell contracts to procure equipment, products, and services through joint exercise of powers laws or the authority found in cooperative purchasing statutes. Sourcewell cooperative purchasing contracts are available for use free of charge or any obligation to any government entity, including states, federal government agencies, counties, cities, and townships, among others.

Choice Partners National Purchasing Cooperative offers procurement and contract solutions to meet government purchasing requirements. Staff at Choice Partners complete the legal, competitively bid government procurement process so you can act immediately to access the contract you need, saving time and money on the bidding process and purchase.

**GSA** US General Services Administration We give federal, state, and local government buyers access to millions of commercial products and services while saving you time and money. Our program features regulatory compliance, fair and reasonable prices, Tier 2 spending, and vast supplies and services.

**EQUALIS** is a cooperative purchasing organization that provides contracts competitively solicited by public agencies for a wide array of products and services. Our Master Agreements are established through rigorous and transparent competitive solicitations conducted in accordance with public procurement guidelines to ensure our members stay in compliance.

The Greater Phoenix Purchasing Consortium of Schools(GPPCS) is a consortium of over fifty districts and charter schools throughout the Greater Phoenix area, that develops cooperative purchasing contracts on behalf of its members. Its main goal is to create cooperative agreements for common, standardized products and services to the benefit of multiple districts that will save time and money in an effort to stretch budget dollars.

**TIPS Purchasing Cooperative** began in 2002 as a small regional cooperative of the Region 8 Education Service Center. While the cooperative has far exceeded the initial vision, Region 8 ESC has maintained its role as the Lead Agency for what is now a national operation.

**NASPO** is the nation's leader in public procurement, driving excellence for its members through diverse programs, resources, and initiatives.

PACE The Purchasing Association of Cooperative Entities (PACE) is designed to give its members additional awarded contract tools to assist their entities in meeting bidding requirements, saving valuable staff resources. PACE finds vendors to assist members in meeting their operational goals and save funds when obtaining the best value supplies.

**National Purchasing Partners (NPPGov)** is a national cooperative procurement organization offering publicly solicited contracts to government entities nationwide. Our contracts are created through a public solicitation and award process by a Lead Public Agency.

**E&I Cooperative Services** is the only member-owned, non-profit sourcing cooperative exclusively focused on serving the education community. Because of this focus, we are uniquely equipped with the knowledge, experience, and passion to meet the specialized needs of educational procurement

**Savvik Buying Group** is a Minnesota-based non-profit corporation serving as a public safety, education, and government contracting agency.

**Keystone Purchasing Network** Created as the Pennsylvania Education Joint Purchasing Council (PAEJPC), the program offered area members opportunities to save on basic

supplies. In the ensuing years, the PAEJPC expanded its membership to allow statewide entities throughout Pennsylvania to utilize our contracts and take advantage of best procurement practices.