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## County launches web-based eProcurement for vendors

Online access for businesses looking to provide products and services to the County of San Bernardino is making a giant leap forward with the County Purchasing Department's launch this week of the new online Electronic Procurement Network system.

ePro is a major technological advance and will increase the speed, efficiency, cost savings and reporting capabilities of the County's acquisition processes.

ePro's state-of-the-art system offers web-based vendor registration, bid notification, online solicitations, and electronic purchase orders. The easy-to-use system also gives County vendors the ability to respond to bids online, adjust proposals prior to the closing date as often as needed in response to addendums or market changes, upload certifications and bid documentation, and attend bid openings remotely.

"Implementation of the ePro system will provide a faster and more efficient platform from which to manage purchasing countywide while reducing costs for both the county and suppliers," said Laurie Rozko, the County's Director of Purchasing.

Effective immediately, vendors can register online to do business with the County. Access is available through the County Purchasing website at:

## http://www.sbcounty.gov/purchasing/eprocurement/eproguide.aspx

Vendor workshops are planned throughout April in four locations; San Bernardino, April 4<sup>th</sup> at the Registrar of Voters Training Room, 777 East Rialto Ave; Rancho Cucamonga, April 11<sup>th</sup> at the Aging & Adult Services Office, 9445 Fairway View Place Ste 110; Victorville, April 18th at the Transitional Assistance Department, 15010 Palmdale Road; and Yucca Valley, April 25<sup>th</sup> at the Community Services Department, 57090 Twentynine Palms Hwy. All workshop times are 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. For more information contact the County of San Bernardino Purchasing Department at (909) 387-2060.