



Response to Questions on the 2016 LOBs

Request By: Supervisors Foust and Herrity

Relevant LOB(s): LOB #33

Question: What percentage of the County's total procurement spending is through sole source contracts?

Response:

Sole source procurements are those in which the cost of the procurement exceeds \$5,000 and the product or service is practicably available only from one source. Establishing a sole source contract requires a determination in writing by the Purchasing Agent that there is only one source practicably available for the required goods and/or services, and for any sole source contract award valued at \$100,000 or more public posting of the award is required. Fairfax County uses eVA, Virginia's e-procurement portal for this purpose.

Procurement spending against sole source contracts in FY 2015 was \$43,525,221, or 6.99% of the total purchase order spend of \$623,026,582. This includes all payments against purchase orders (PO) that references a sole source contract.

The calculation does not include General use procurement-card spending, non-PO spending, capital construction spending, Department of Administration for Human Services (DAHS)/Harmony spending, or any miscellaneous PO spending that does not reference a sole source contract.