



CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

SMALL AND DIVERSE BUSINESS EXPO

California Public Utilities Commission Small and Diverse Business Expo

Wednesday | September 30, 2026 | 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

**South San Francisco Conference Center
255 S. Airport Blvd
South San Francisco, CA 94080**

Agenda

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Check-in/Registration

Opening Panel Discussion (Salons E-J)

Procurement Insights for Savvy Vendors

Hear from utility experts on the procurement process and learn new ways to gather market insights.

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Panelists:

Stephanie Green, Supplier Diversity Manager, CPUC

Helen Gao, Responsible Sourcing Manager, San Diego Gas & Electric

Jerilyn Gleaves, Senior Manager of Supply Chain Responsible Sourcing, Pacific Gas & Electric

Jordan Nakasone, Supplier Diversity Program Manager, California Water Service

Workshop (Salons E-J)

Pathway to Primes: Winning Subcontracting Opportunities

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Demystify the subcontracting process and learn the strategies your small or diverse business needs to successfully source and win subcontracting opportunities.

Presenter: Thomas Burns, Procurement Specialist, NorCal APEX Accelerator

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Workshop (Salons E-J)

Doing Business with the California State Government

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Learn how your small business or disabled veteran business enterprise can pursue contract opportunities with the state of California.

Presenter: Jon Gaskell, Business Outreach Liaison, Department of General Services (DGS)

9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Resource Fair (Salons A-D)

1 p.m.

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