

Learning Library

Social Procurement Professional Certificate

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Buy Social Canada Resources

Books

[Marketplace Revolution](#) by David LePage. This book, ebook or audiobook is sent to participants of the Social Procurement Professional Certificate.

Resources

[Guide to Social Procurement](#) – What, why and how of social procurement.

[Guide to Social Procurement for Construction and Infrastructure Projects](#) – Exploring social procurement across four project design models

[Community Benefits in Construction Guide](#) - This Guide supports community advocates, policy makers and project owners who want to create community benefits in construction, infrastructure, and development projects. It takes you through three stages of community benefits in construction: Mandate, Design and Implement.

Social Value Menu Series – Tools for implementation including worksheets on objective setting, draft RFx language, weighting and measurement

- [SVM for Community Benefit Agreements](#)
- [SVM for Community Employment Benefits](#)
- [SVM for Goods and Services](#)

[Voices of Industry: A Paradigm Shift in CBAs](#) – A Buy Social Canada research report about supporting apprenticeship and workforce diversity through community benefit agreements (CBAs)

[The use of “Local” in the bid process](#) – Trade agreements briefing note

[Trade Agreements Primer](#) – Understanding the legal requirements and how social procurement fits.

[Supplier Guide to Social Procurement](#) – Follows the social value supplier user journey to learn about procurement, find opportunities, respond to bids and deliver contracts.

[Guide to Social Procurement in Tourism, Hospitality and Events](#) - Businesses, non-profits and individuals working in tourism, hospitality and events can use this guide to learn about social procurement and how to apply social procurement in a sector where leveraging social value from purchasing can have a powerful and positive ripple effect on communities.

[Self-Attestation: Removing Barriers to Diversity in Supply Chains](#) - Research from AnchorTO and Buy Social Canada explores methods to increase supplier diversity including self-attestation to expand supply chain opportunities.

[Social Procurement Myths and Facts](#) - Common myths about social procurement.

[Guide to Social Enterprise](#) –This Guide shares insights and stories to support business planning and maintenance through three stages: Plan, Sustain and Grow.

[Design your Buy Social Journey](#) – An overview of Buy Social Canada's service offering for organizations looking to develop a social procurement practice that delivers on their values and goals.

[Buy Social Canada Social Procurement Policy](#) – Walking the talk on social procurement. Example of a simple social procurement policy.

Links Shared during the course

- [Buy With Impact Social Procurement Report 2022](#)
- [Buy With Impact Report 2023](#)
- [City of Calgary Social Procurement Policy Implementation](#)
- [Peterborough Social Procurement Policy](#)
- [Edmonton policy](#)
- [Squamish policy](#)
- [Buy Social Canada policy](#)
- [Chandos policy](#)
- [SAP 5&5 by '25](#)
- [Characteristics of a good policy](#)
- [City of Vancouver CBA Policy Blog](#)
- [Construction implementation supports](#)
- [UK Social Value Act example](#)
- [Victoria, Australia Social and Sustainable Procurement Outcomes](#)
- [Yukon First Nations Procurement Policy \(page 20\)](#)
- [Stephen Young SAP video](#)
- [Manitoba Sustainable Procurement Communications Plan](#)
- [City of Toronto GreenForceTO Pilot](#)
- [City of Calgary Social Procurement Pilot Data Report](#)
- [Atira Report: Social Return of Investment](#)
- [City of Peterborough Social Procurement website](#)
- [City of Winnipeg Sustainable Procurement website](#)
- [Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo Social Procurement website](#)

Additional Resources

Reports, Webinar and Papers

[Exploring Social Procurement](#)

LePage, D. Accelerating Social Impact CCC, Vancouver, 2014

[Net-Zero Procurement Webinar](#): How to engage suppliers in the race to Net-Zero Webinar from June 2024 with Tori Williamson, COO of Buy Social Canada and guest speaker Bob Willard, [Sustainability Advantage](#)

[The State of Social Procurement in Australia and New Zealand](#)

The Centre for Social Impact and Swinburne University, 2021

[The social procurement practices of tier-one construction contractors in Australia](#)

Loosemore, M., & Reid, S., *Construction Management and Economics*, 37(4), 183-200, 2019

[The role of intermediaries in social innovation: The case of social procurement in Australia](#)

Barraket, J., *Journal of Social Entrepreneurship*, 2019

[Co-creating Social Value through Cross-Sector Collaboration Between Social Enterprises and the Construction Industry](#) Barraket, J., Loosemore, M., *Construction Management and Economics*, vol. 36, no. 7, pp. 394-408. 2018

["Social procurement: A study on supplier diversity and workforce development benefits."](#) Office of the Procurement Ombudsman, September 2020

Books

Doughnut Economics : Seven Ways to Think Like a 21st-century Economist
Kate Raworth, Random House, 2017

People, Power, and Profits: Progressive Capitalism for an Age of Discontent
Joseph E. Stiglitz, W. W. Norton & Company, 2019

Social Enterprise in the Construction Industry: *Building better communities*.
Dave Higgon and Martin Loosemore, Abingdon: Oxford Routledge, 2016.

The Purpose of Capital: Elements of Impact, Financial Flows
Jed Emerson, Blended Value Group, 2018

Winners Take All: The Elite Charade of Changing the World
Anand Giridharadas, Vintage, 2018