

SOCIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY

Social procurement means considering the added social value that comes from purchasing, rather than just the face value of the goods and/or services themselves. Social value comes from the positive impact purchases can have on the overall social wellbeing of people and communities. It is grounded in mutual support and interconnectedness.

Social procurement means intentionally choosing when possible to support local/small businesses, businesses owned by people belonging to systemically marginalized communities, and/or cooperatives and nonprofits. Social procurement means avoiding, when possible, third parties, and large corporations.

In addition to social procurement consider other elements of sustainable purchasing such as how 'green' your event is. Is what your When making purchases are there greener options? Is this something you can borrow? Check out the additional resources below for some supports.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Sustainable procurement:

- [City of Winnipeg's Social Procurement Framework](#)
- [York University's Social Procurement webpage](#)
- [University of Manitoba's Green Events Guide](#)
- [Post-Landfill Action Network's Swag Hierarchy](#)