

PPE Safety Stock

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) established the Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Safety Stock Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) contract vehicle, for pandemic and operational needs of DHS Components. PPE refers to equipment worn to minimize exposure to hazards, designed to prevent the spread of infectious diseases and protect the wearer from infection and illness. Operational needs include mission support activities such as passenger and baggage screening. Pandemic needs include protection from avian influenza, pandemic influenza, and foremerging threats countermeasures as part of the DHS Workforce Protection Program.

The contract vehicle provides DHS and Components with the tools to support and sustain the safety of DHS employees and contractors. The contract vehicle will allow DHS and its Components the capability to acquire critical PPE in a timely manner to facilitate a speedy and effective response in confronting future pandemics and crisis-level events. This includes the acquisition, storage, and delivery mechanisms for PPE to prepare and protect the entire DHS workforce. The contract vehicles also provide a cost-effective approach along established effective management controls (Metadata Requirements*) to support PPE inventory management, budget development, and forecasting. The wide array of countermeasure commodities is derived from the technical specifications described in each individual contract or agreement and consists of the following major categories:

- Face Shields
- Garments
- Gloves (Nitrile)
- Goggles
- Respirators (N95)
- Surgical Masks

Key Contract Vehicle Features are:

- Including vendor reporting to assist DHS in managing usage, minimizing waste, and improved inventory controls
- Products meeting Standards/Specifications/Approvals for NIOSH, FDA, OSHA, and ANSI classifications (where applicable)
- Safeguarding the workforce by ensuring contracts are in place in case of future pandemics and crisis-level events

Period of Performance (POP):

One-year base, plus four one-year options (3/28/2022 – 3/27/2027)

Number of Awardees:

One Non-Profit Association/AbilityOneⁱ

Contractor Information:

Contract #	Vendor Name
70RDAD22D00000001	LC Industries (non-profit association / AbilityOne)