



FURNISHINGS PROGRAM

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Background

The U.S. Army Engineering and Support Center, Huntsville, is the agency responsible for executing the Army's centrally managed furnishings program for furniture and furnishings for Army installations worldwide. The central manager of the funding for the furnishings program is Headquarters, Installation Management Command (IMCOM) and U.S. Base Realignment and Closure Division (BRACD). The mission for managing UPH replacement furnishings was added by IMCOM in 2005. The mission was further expanded to include the centralized management of Army administrative furniture, fixtures and equipment (FF&E),



This common area is an example of a recent Furnishings Program project.

Purpose

The Furnishings Program mission is to buy initial issue furniture and furnishings in accordance with annual work plans and to manage the delivery of those items to the new /renovated facility by the beneficial occupancy date (BOD). The program also provides for replacement furnishings to meet the installations' requirements.

Services provided by Huntsville Center include assisting the Assistant Chief of Staff for Installation Management (ACSIM) and IMCOM in annual budgeting and work plan formulation; preparing and executing the acquisition plan for worldwide procurement of furniture and furnishings (F&F); developing and maintaining current minimum quality specifications for the FF&E; evaluating and awarding supply and services contracts to vendors offering the best value to the government; managing the delivery of the FF&E to coincide with the often dynamic BOD; measuring and evaluating program efficiency and cost effectiveness; serving as the clearing house for end user comments and lessons learned; and recommending or implementing improvements to program management and acquisition strategies.

In FY 11, the Army Centralized Furniture Program completed the BRAC Furnishings Program, furnishing 400 admin buildings and 102 barracks buildings for a program cost of \$242M, with a total cost avoidance of \$109M, or 25% of the estimated value of the program. In general, the FY11 program consisted of furnishings for 343 admin buildings, 278 barracks buildings (45407 spaces) for a total of \$240M obligations, with cost avoidance of \$19M, or 8% of GSA pricing.

Vendors must comply with General Service Administration industry standard specifications and Huntsville Center performance specifications that incorporate the durability Soldiers require. Requests for quotes are directed to those vendors having complying lines of furniture, ensuring only comparable furniture in terms of quality of materials, special features and overall dimensions (critical for facility standard design application) are being considered for best value award.

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