

The Office of Contract Administration (OCA) subscribes to the California Association of Public Procurement Officials (CAPPO)'s Standards of Procurement Practice, as follows:

### **Standards of Procurement Practice**

- To regard public service as a sacred trust, giving primary consideration to the interests of the public agency that employs us.
- To purchase without prejudice, seeking to obtain the maximum value for each dollar expended.
- To avoid unfair practices, giving all qualified vendors equal opportunity.
- To honor our obligations and require that obligations to our public agency be honored.
- To accord vendor representatives courteous treatment, remembering that these representatives are important sources of information and assistance in solving our procurement needs.
- To refuse to accept any form of commercial bribery, and prevent any appearance of so doing.
- To be receptive to counsel from our colleagues, and to cooperate with them to promote a spirit of teamwork and unity.
- To conduct ourselves with fairness and dignity, and to demand honesty and truth in the procurement process.
- To strive for greater knowledge of procurement methods and of the materials we purchase.
- To cooperate with all organizations and individuals involved in activities designed to enhance the development of the procurement profession, remembering that our actions reflect on the entire procurement profession.

Source: <https://www.cappo.org/page/AboutCAPPO>.