

**California Department of Technology (CDT)
NON-STATE ENTITY SERVICE POLICY AND AGREEMENT (NESPA)
ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA GUIDELINES (Rev. 12/22)**

Qualified Non-State entities must select ONLY ONE of the four *Authorized Entity Criteria* listed on the NESPA. The below guide is intended to help entities choose the most appropriate option.

NESPA CRITERIA	INTERPRETATION
<p>Local government entities are defined as “any city, county, city and county, district, or other local governmental body or corporation empowered to expend public funds for the acquisition of goods, information technology, or services” per Public Contract Code Chapter 2, Paragraph 10298 (a) (b). While the State makes this contract available to local governmental entities, each local governmental entity should determine whether this contract is consistent with its procurement policies and regulations.</p>	<p>This criterion shall be selected by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City entities • County entities • Districts recognized by the California State Controller’s Office • Public school districts • Municipal corporations (towns, villages, etc.) • Community Action Agencies • Federally Qualified Health Centers
<p>100% tax supported governmental entity</p>	<p>This criterion shall be selected by other <u>governmental</u> entities not mentioned in the first criterion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federal government entities • Public schools • Public charter schools <p>NOT ELIGIBLE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Private organizations (for profit or non-profit) that operate charter schools • Private schools
<p>A governmental entity with a Joint Powers Agreement (JPA)</p>	<p>This criterion shall be selected by any entity with a California-recognized JPA arrangement.</p>
<p>Federally recognized Indian Tribe</p>	<p>This criterion shall be selected by any federally recognized Indian Tribe. The Customer Name on the NESPA must be the Indian Tribe and not a separate entity operated by the tribe.</p>

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