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# Toward Common Sense Contracting: What Taxpayers Deserve

*Toward Common Sense Contracting: What Taxpayers Deserve* is designed to help overcome the serious problems charitable nonprofits encounter when entering written agreements with governments to deliver services to the public.



Through extensive research and input from front-line nonprofit contractors and grantees, it provides real-world context and consequences to the problems documented through nationwide statistical data published by the Urban Institute's Center on Nonprofits and Philanthropy in its new National Study of Nonprofit-Government Contracts and Grants 2013: State Profiles and recent Nonprofit-

Government Contracts and Grants: Findings from the 2013 National Survey.

This report provides tested, replicable solutions to the government-nonprofit contracting problems and calls on all interested parties to join in efforts to promote common sense contracting.

## Read the

- [Full report](#)
- [Executive summary](#)

## More About Government Grants and Contracting

- [Government Grants and Contracts](#), National Council of Nonprofits.
- [Common Problems in Government-Nonprofit Grantmaking and Contracting](#), National Council of Nonprofits.
- [Solutions to Government-Nonprofit Grantmaking and Contracting Problems](#), National Council of Nonprofits.

## Additional Resources

- [Treatment and Reimbursement of Indirect Costs Vary among Grants, and Depend Significantly on Federal, State, and Local Government Practices](#), U.S. Government Accountability Office, May 2010.