

Executive Summary of NASPO State Stimulus Survey
(Results as of March 13, 2009)

- 19 responses (AK, AR, CA, CT, DE, DC, FL, GA, ID, IN, MA, MN, NH, OK, SC, SD, NH, TX, WA, WI)
- Of those, 10 states have a stimulus site, 9 states do not have a site yet
- 11 of those states do not have a stimulus “czar”, 3 do, and 5 did not answer. The leads of the stimulus teams identified range from Lieutenant Governors, to Attorneys General, to OMB directors, to new appointees.
- 9 states indicated that the procurement office has been involved in the stimulus team. 7 indicated that they have not been invited to the table, and 3 states gave no answer
- 8 states’ CPOs have been consulted on how to spend the stimulus money; 11 have not.
- Strategies for preparing for stimulus money by central procurement offices have included:
 - Researching policy questions
 - Systems to identify ARRA request coming through Central Procurement
 - ID’ing timelines that must be compressed
 - Working to change state legislation to address time constraints by the ARRA
 - Creating an in-house stimulus contracting team and a stimulus contracting list
 - Developing a data collection form for state agencies to complete
 - Enhancing technology to expedite electronic signatures
 - Meeting with agencies and stakeholders
 - Issuing guidance to establish uniform approaches to managing stimulus accounting and reporting
 - Establishing a password-restricted blog-type online communication tool for all affected departments and agencies
 - Adjusting workload assignments and categorizing requests
 - Increasing computer capacity to handle online solicitations and increasing staff
 - Following NASPO’s collection of best practices and guidance
 - Issued a solicitation for audit and accounting staff to monitor, track, and report on the use of stimulus money.