

KENTUCKY SASP IS THE FIRST



Kentucky State Agency for Surplus Property (KYSASP) became the first SASP in the nation to download information from GSAXcess into their new inventory management software. This is an exciting first for KYSASP and all other SASPs.

SASPs request federal surplus property through GSAXcess which is the General Services Administration's (GSA) on-line computer system. After a SASP requests property, GSA staff allocates it and GSAXcess then generates a transfer order. But that's where the computer system stopped. Each SASP has their own inventory system and therefore had to enter the information into their computer system. There was no communication between GSAXcess and any SASP system.

In the summer of 2009, KYSASP purchased new software management software from Web Data Corporation to correct the problems it was experiencing with its outdated inventory management program. According to Gary Thornton, KYSASP Federal Property Coordinator, "one idea recommended was to have GSA upload information to our server in real time when we have property allocated to us from GSA. This process would allow us to receive property faster into inventory, and also cut the amount of man hours required to input information."

When this idea was presented to GSA, they were excited about the possibility. The one requirement that GSA imposed, was that there be at least two state agencies sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with GSA before any work would start to implement this request. Kentucky, Oregon, and Texas quickly signed the MOU with GSA, and work started shortly after.

On February 1, 2010, GSA, under the direction of Roman Marciniak, started the process of developing a program to integrate the information. This process was completed in May of 2010.

On June 11, 2010, KYSASP was the first state agency to have information sent to their server electronically. Through their inventory management program, they were able to download the SF123 information directly to their server. From there, they can edit and adjust quantities in inventory in the receiving module.

Thornton said "This process has streamlined our inventory management beyond what I could have dreamed of, and has saved our Agency countless hours of imputing information. This simple process has definitely been a blessing." Thornton is so happy with the process that he says "I hope that if you're not using one of the vendors available to manage your States program; that you will in the near future."

In addition to Web Data Corporation, InCircuit Development is also modifying its software to be able to download the information from GSA. On behalf of all SASPs, the National Association for State Agencies for Surplus Property extends their gratitude to GSA for making this happen.