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A Look Back as NASASP's 75th Anniversary Approaches

As we wrap up 2021, NASASP looks forward to its upcoming 75th anniversary in 2022. Over the years, NASASP and the Federal Surplus Property Program have evolved as the laws and regulations impacting the program and the needs of our donees have changed. Let us take a moment to reflect on how far NASASP and the Program have come.

History of NASASP: In December of 1945, the Commissioner of the War Assets Administration (WAA) asked the Governors of the several States to create State Agencies for Surplus Property. Most of these State programs were lodged in the State departments of education since, at this time, discounted and military surplus property was made available only to educational institutions. As WAA and the armed services expanded their operations, with several States developing an intensified interest in the program, it became apparent that there was unequal distribution of property between the States. This condition was one of the primary reasons why the State agencies decided that it would be desirable to create regional unions of States - and eventually a national association of these unions. Periodically, before the establishment of any union, State representatives met with Federal agents and divided lists of property between those States located in the jurisdictional area of the WAA regional offices. During this same period, surplus military property of the Army, Navy, and Air Force was also made available, by separate acts of Congress, to State agencies for distribution to educational institutions. The State agencies and the Office of Education were aware of inequitable interstate distribution of both WAA and military surplus property since no national pattern existed.

As a result of the foregoing problems, the State agency representatives of Indiana, the District of Columbia, Kentucky, Maryland, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and West Virginia held a meeting at the Hollenden Hotel in Cleveland, Ohio on September 25 & 26, 1947, with representatives of WAA and the Office of Education. Following this meeting, the State agency representatives, in an executive session, decided that it was necessary to form a regional union of these States patterned after the boundary lines of the Second Army Area. They asked Mr. James L. Reid of Maryland to arrange for another meeting of these States with the Second Army Area Headquarters in Baltimore in October. This group also asked Mr. J. B. Williams of Kentucky to meet in September with the State agencies in the Third Army Area in Atlanta to explain the action taken by this group in forming a regional union.

The Cleveland group decided to call their union the "Educational Agencies for Surplus Property of the Second Army Area and the Military District of Washington." The organization also drafted a suggested Plan of Operation or Constitution for forming regional unions for the entire country to be patterned after the six army areas.

This information was made available to the other States. Anticipating a nationwide call of the State agencies by WAA for the purpose of resolving the problems on the items of property that could be discounted to education, the "State Educational Agencies for Surplus Property" on October 6, 1947, called their first national meeting in the Willard Hotel in Washington, D.C.

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The minutes of this meeting read: "After a round table discussion, it was decided that a loose organization would be formed of the State Educational Agencies for Surplus Property and an outline of the organization was adopted."

During the first few years, all meetings of the national organization were held in Washington. In these earlier years, the States developed and strengthened regional unions patterned after Army Areas. Each of these unions met periodically and elected their own officers, known as Area Chairman and Vice-Chairman. These officers made up the National Committee of the National Association. As a result of the formation of the National Association, the States convinced Congress of the necessity for further legislation, which

resulted in the passage of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949. The National Association changed its name from the "National Association of State Educational Agencies for Surplus Property" to the "National Association of State Agencies for Surplus Property" as a result of the passage of Public Law 754, Eighty-first Congress, which made surplus property available to health organizations.

NASASP Today: NASASP maintains active leadership in establishing and promoting ways and means of acquiring and distributing equitably federal personal property to public agencies and other eligible entities. Our members conduct education programs that lead to a better understanding of the public benefits derived from educational, health, local governmental, and other eligible utilization of such property. We cooperate with the federal government in developing, promoting, and maintaining standard practices throughout the nation in warehousing, distributing, accounting and transferring of available federal property. NASASP also assembles, analyzes, and disseminates information on the effective utilization of such property by eligible entities.

"Pro Bono Publico"- This Latin phrase is found on the insignia of the National Association of State Agencies for Surplus Property (NASASP). Literally it means "for the public good." Expanded meanings include "for the public good for the welfare of the whole." That is the mission of the 56 State Agencies for Surplus Property (SASPs) that make up NASASP. The goal of the SASPs in partnership with the U.S. General Services Administration, is to save taxpayer dollars. Saving taxpayer dollars by extending the useful life of federal excess/surplus personal property assets is "for the public good" and it serves the "welfare of the whole."

NASASP believes that once property has been declared surplus to the needs of the Federal Government, the highest and best secondary utilization is by public and private organizations of this nation that are dedicated to the education, training, health, civil protection, safety, and other public benefits of our people.

We look forward to celebrating our 75th Anniversary with our members and sponsors at the annual meeting this summer. **The annual meeting will be held July 18-22, 2022 at The Madison Hotel in Washington, D.C.** More details will be posted on the NASASP website soon. Wishing everyone very Merry Christmas and a wonderful New Year!



(L to R): Harvey T. Marshall—Tennessee SASP, Walter G. Rhoten—Ohio SASP, and Howard TeSelle—Arizona SASP in Washington, D.C. in 1957

NASASP Past Presidents

Under the leadership of our officers, NASASP strives to serve the public and its member SASPs. The President of NASASP plays a critical role in guiding the organization. Below is a list of NASASP Presidents:

Term	President	State
1947-1948	Charles H. Overman	Florida
1948-1949	Harvey T. Marshall	Tennessee
1949-1950	Harvey T. Marshall	Tennessee
1950-1951	Robert F. Nolan	Massachusetts
1951-1952	Cecil Jenkins	Missouri
1952-1953	William A. Farrell	California
1953-1954	William A. Farrell	California
1954-1955	Loyd K. Barry	Texas
1955-1956	E.O. Rolland	Florida
1956-1957	William A. Farrell	California
1957-1958	Walter G. Rhoten	Ohio
1958-1959	Samuel E. Ewing	Oklahoma
1959-1960	Loyd K. Barry	Texas
1960-1961	Dwayne E. Gardner	Nebraska
1961-1962	Wakefield B. Walker	Oregon
1962-1963	Howard N. Teselle	Arizona
1963-1964	William A. Farrell	California
1964-1965	Robert H. Arnold	Kansas
1965-1966	D.W. Latch	Arkansas
1966-1967	S.W. Maynard	Maryland
1967-1968	Richard Zook	Washington
1968-1969	Weldon Flint	Ohio
1969-1970	Stanley Izbicky	Colorado
1970-1971	Ray Underwood	Texas
1971-1972	Ray Underwood	Texas
1972-1973	Ross Young	Michigan
1973-1974	R.C. Covington	Florida
1974-1975	S.W. Maynard	Maryland
1975-1976	J.M. Stanislawczyk	West Virginia
1976-1977	Robert L. Draper	Utah
1977-1978	Walter J. Golec	Connecticut
1978-1979	N.J. Kitchens	Alabama
1979-1980	O.G. Clementson	Virginia
1980-1981	Bill Bennett	Georgia
1981-1982	Richard W. Evans	California
1982-1983	E.L. Joe Palmer	Kentucky
1983-1984	Homer L. Carter	Oklahoma
1984-1985	George F. Afflerbach	West Virginia
1985-1986	Daryl L. Haeder	South Dakota

Term	President	State
1986-1987	E. Pash Goodin	Missouri
1987-1988	Wallace R. Sherron	North Carolina
1988-1989	William A. Arseneau	Utah
1989-1990	Don C. Marrero	Louisiana
1990-1991	Marvin J. Titzman	Texas
1991-1992	Walter A. Taylor	South Carolina
1992-1993	Linda Engmann	North Dakota
1993-1993	Don C. Marrero	Louisiana
1993-1994	Walter A. Taylor	South Carolina
1994-1995	Marquis Bolton	Virginia
1995-1995	Daryl L. Haeder	South Dakota
1995-1996	Christopher C. Butterworth	Florida
1996-1997	William G. Wilson	Wisconsin
1997-1998	J. Randy Frost	Arizona
1998-1999	Gene Glaeser	Minnesota
1999-1999	David Graham	Tennessee
1999-2000	Steve Perica	Arizona
2000-2001	Bill Wilson	Wisconsin
2001-2002	Paul Schwartz	Kansas
2002-2003	Scott Pepperman	Pennsylvania
2003-2004	Scott Pepperman	Pennsylvania
2004-2005	James Smith	Arkansas
2005-2006	Richard Graves	Indiana
2006-2007	Shane T. Bailey	Alabama
2007-2008	Shane T. Bailey	Alabama
2008-2009	Curtis Howard	Illinois
2009-2010	Curtis Howard	Illinois
2010-2011	Curtis Howard	Illinois
2011-2012	Chris Barela	New Mexico
2012-2013	Chris Barela	New Mexico
2013-2014	Chris Barela	New Mexico
2014-2015	Steve Ekin	Georgia
2015-2016	Steve Ekin	Georgia
2016-2017	Steve Ekin	Georgia
2017-2018	Kristy Fierro	Texas
2018-2019	Chris Barela	New Mexico
2019-2020	Elizabeth Cooper	West Virginia
2020-2021	Elizabeth Cooper	West Virginia
2021-2022	Sam Sibert	Idaho

Committee Spotlight

NASASP Property Disposal Oversight Committee

Hello NASASP members! My name is Mike Case, and I am the Procurement/Placement Specialist for the Nebraska State Agency for Surplus Property. I have worked for the agency for over 20 years. Over the years, I have become more involved with the program and NASASP. I am the Chair for the Property Disposal & Oversight Committee. This Committee handles problems or issues that arise from DLA or GSA. If there are any issues that your SASP is having with a DLA site, please let me know, and I will use my contacts at DLA to find a solution. If a situation arises where there are many SASPs having the same issue, this is where the Committee becomes vital to the process. As Chair, I compile all information and then forward to our NASASP Officers for further discussion. Fortunately, with all that has transpired over the last year and half, the Committee has not had any major issues forwarded for discussion. If you have any issues, please send to my email, and I will gladly assist.

Mike Case, Nebraska SASP
Michael.case@nebraska.gov

President's Inkwell

Greetings everyone! It's amazing how time flies when you're having fun, and what a fun time of the year this is! Hopefully everyone, who wanted to, got to binge on plenty of scary movies in October and capped it off with a spooky Halloween! My family had a great night of trick or treating (even after I split my head open goofing off in my inflatable T-rex costume). Following this, we got to pay tribute to all of our Veterans who have served in our Armed Forces. Thank you to every person that has ever put on the uniform in service to this awesome country of ours! Along with that I hope that people were able to come together, give thanks for something in their lives and enjoy a wonderful meal for Thanksgiving.

Over the past few months, the Officers, the Committees and staff have been hard at work. I can't begin to express how proud I am to be working with such a great bunch of individuals that make up this Association! The Officers have been conducting outreach to the States and Territories not actively participating in the Association. We are continuing our efforts to move legislation forward, while monitoring government actions in progress. The Membership committee is working to improve our corporate sponsor networking. The Planning committee has been diligently working to nail down the best place possible for us to hold our annual conference. It has been a busy and exciting time!

I wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! As always, if anyone has any questions, concerns or suggestions please reach out.

Sam Sibert, Idaho SASP
NASASP President

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

NASASP's Annual Meeting will be held July 18-22, 2022 at The Madison Hotel in Washington, D.C.

More details will be posted on the NASASP website soon.

We hope you can join us as we celebrate NASASP's 75th Anniversary!

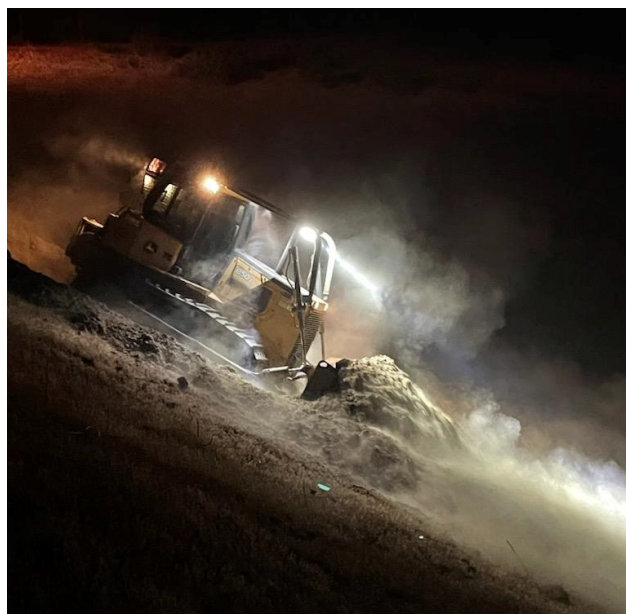
Donee Success Story

Sand Hollow Fire District (Idaho)

Sand Hollow Fire District was formed in 1984 in Payette County, Idaho. Until 2015, all firefighting and EMS was contracted to a neighboring District. On October 1, 2015 Sand Hollow Fire District began responding to calls within their district with eight volunteers, a donated fire truck (that broke down on first call), a water tender purchased from Federal Surplus, and an empty Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Station. Six years later, we have three structure engines, one tactical tender, two 5,000-gallon water tenders, four brush trucks, one dozer and transport unit, one command vehicle, and one EMS unit. We operate from the same BLM station and are in the process of building a larger station. We currently have 25 active volunteers, working towards operating a Basic Life Support non-transport EMS unit, and have deployed to multiple states to fight fires with Idaho Department of Lands and Idaho Office of Emergency Management.

Federal Surplus equipment has allowed us to create a firefighting fleet on a minimal budget. Federal Surplus equipment has allowed us to stretch our carefully budgeted funds to improve the Department's ability to protect lives and property. In addition to firefighting apparatuses, we have purchased generators, pumps, hand tools, four-wheelers, office supplies, mechanic tools, toolboxes, coolers, storage containers, mobile pressure washer, and too many others to mention. During a recent visit, our Fire Chief located an air compressor for our air compressor trailer. This trailer is currently fabricated as a mobile fill station for SCBA units, firefighting hand tools, as well as jet skis for County water rescue team. We have acquired a 2009 Freightliner, 2008 Stewart & Stevenson LMTV, 2005 John Deere 850J Dozer, 1998 Stewart & Stevenson Six Wheel LMTV, and a 2010 Chevy 2500HD Duramax that are currently in service within our Fire District. Sand Hollow Fire District appreciates the ability to utilize the Federal Surplus Property Program, and the increased budgeting capacity that it provides to our District, which ultimately translates to a saving to our taxpayers.

- Submitted by Toby Robinson, Fire Chief,
Sand Hollow Fire District



Donee Success Story

Desert Haven Volunteer and Rescue (Texas)



Desert Haven Volunteer and Rescue received an LMTV Trailer in December 2019 and a 5-ton Truck Tractor in August 2020 from the Texas Federal Surplus Property Program. The combined service charges paid were \$7,250 compared to an original acquisition cost of \$121,203. That is a savings of \$113,953 compared to buying brand new!

Jefferson County (Texas)



Jefferson County, located in Southeast Texas on the Gulf of Mexico, is preparing for extreme weather and possible high-water rescues by acquiring 5 light medium tactical vehicles (LMTV) from the Texas SASP. LMTV trucks are particularly well suited for navigating high water and enable the County to avoid using other vehicles—such as dump trucks and fire engines—that would likely sustain costly water damage when performing water rescues. LMTV trucks can hold a minimum of 16 people and are equipped with a ladder on the back to make it easier for people to climb in during a disaster. The County also obtained two 5-ton truck tractors from the Federal Surplus Property Program. The combined service charges paid for all 7 trucks were \$38,500 compared to an original acquisition cost of \$740,510. That is a savings of \$702,010 compared to buying brand new!

- Submitted by Megan Sim, Texas SASP

Donee Success Story

Jonah Water Special Utility District (Texas)



Jonah Water SUD received this Genie Boom Lift in October 2020 from the Texas SASP. The boom lift has been used to complete necessary electrical maintenance for the SUD. The service charge paid was only \$4,000 compared to an original acquisition cost of \$229,000. That is a savings of \$225,000 compared to buying brand new!

Military Museum of Brazoria County (Texas)



The Military Museum of Brazoria County, in collaboration with the Brazoria County Sheriff's Office, honored our military veterans during a Veterans Day celebration last month. The Museum showcased a surplus military vehicle acquired through the Texas SASP during the celebration. The Museum uses property acquired from the Federal Surplus Property Program in its mission to educate the public regarding military history, as well to assist Brazoria County during natural disasters and other emergencies.

- Submitted by Megan Sim, Texas SASP

Donee Success Story

Port of Bellingham (Washington)



The Washington SASP transferred an 817,915-pound Liebherr Harbor Crane to the Port of Bellingham.

The Port of Bellingham can now expand its shipping business after acquiring this crane. The crane has a lifting capacity of 120 tons and a reach of 157 feet and will allow the port to handle projects it previously could not.

The crane was excess from the U.S. DOT Maritime Administration. It had to be barged from the Port of West Sacramento, California to the Bellingham shipping terminal which took 10 days. The fire prevention system is currently being fixed and once certifications have been met, it will be put to good use.

- Submitted by Dale Richardson, Washington SASP



Donee Success Story

Marshall University (West Virginia)



In the spring of 2022, Marshall University and Mountwest Community and Technical College will launch a new aviation program featuring assets obtained through the Federal Surplus Property Program. The Aviation Maintenance Technology (AMT) program will feature planes secured by the West Virginia State Agency for Surplus Property (WVSASP) on their behalf. Marshall University has received three planes thru the Federal Surplus Property Program. "We were lucky that the types of planes we wanted for our program were available," said James Smith, director of AMT for Marshall University. Students enrolled in the AMT program will train for their FAA certifications over an 18-month period. To complete the approximately 1,970 hours of shop time needed for these certifications, it is critical that the AMT program have enough equipment to meet FAA requirements. This is the first AMT course in this area of West Virginia. Smith said he plans to continue monitoring the Federal Surplus Property Program for the availability of other turboprop aircraft. "The application was simple and WVSASP staff members have been great to work with. It has been a large cost savings, which means lower student fees."

- Submitted by Elizabeth Cooper, West Virginia SASP

Donee Success Story

New Ventures Inc. (Georgia)

Surplus Property Heating Units Help Provide Warm Space for Homeless

Nonprofit Organization New Ventures Inc. uses surplus property to serve community needs

Celebrating 50 years as a nonprofit in 2021, New Ventures Inc. continues to meet the needs of its community with the help of items received from Georgia Federal Surplus Property Program. Based in LaGrange, Georgia, the organization has assisted individuals with disabilities since 1971, and has transformed into a multifaceted nonprofit that also empowers people with barriers to employment.

“That could be the wife and mother who has worked in the home for the last 20 years, students who have dropped out of high school, or people who are re-entering the community,” says President and CEO of New Ventures, Inc. Mike Wilson. “Anybody that’s having trouble getting employment, they come to New Ventures, and we will work with them,” he adds. While the organization has evolved to make enhancements and changes, the organization remains true to its original mission Wilson says.

Not only does New Ventures provide individuals with at least 400 hours of work-based training, but the nonprofit also offers them employment opportunities with other companies.

“Sometimes they stay on working for New Ventures, but most of the time, we try to make sure that they are placed in other industries. We don’t charge for that. It’s not like a temporary service. We just know it’s the right thing to do,” adds Wilson.

The Georgia SASP has been instrumental in providing resources needed to support New Venture’s training and business expansion. When New Ventures added an industrial park space several years ago to its facilities, the space allowed them to offer more services such as a warming center in partnership with the Troup County Homeless Coalition. The nonprofit received hard heating and air conditioning units from Surplus Property to heat and cool parts of the building for the homeless. New Ventures also acquired large generators for the 131,000 square feet facility that can power several systems during a power outage.

“When the temperature drops below 37 degrees, we open for homeless individuals to come in to get a hot meal, a hot shower, and a warm place to sleep. That has grown over the last few years and we’re moving toward a 24-7, 365-day-a-year emergency shelter and transitional housing,” says Wilson. “We’ve also opened up during hurricane seasons, and if for some reason the power goes out, we’ll open for people to come in. That’s part of our agreement with the city of LaGrange. The generators from Surplus Property are a big part of our being able to do that,” he says.

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Donee Success Story

New Ventures Inc. (Georgia)

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From safety glasses for workers to use for janitorial and lawn work to truckloads of food and water for families, New Ventures has experienced how using Surplus Property supports its outreach in numerous ways.

“Being able to buy from Surplus allows us as a not-for-profit to redirect what monies we have to programs and back into helping people, when we’re able to acquire stuff so inexpensively,” says Wilson. “There are a lot of soup kitchens and feeding opportunities for marginalized communities in LaGrange and Troup County. With the food we received, we were able to let groups come in and many people were fed. A lot of organizations were able to redirect monies they would normally use to buy food and use those resources for other services such as putting people up in hotels and getting people off the streets. It was such a blessing to everybody,” he added.

Surplus Property Director Steve Ekin acknowledges the efforts of nonprofit organizations and how Surplus Property can support their ongoing needs. “We are always willing to work closely with New Ventures and other nonprofits to assist them in finding the resources for the important work they do each day. We are hopeful that the items received will meet their communities’ needs and enhance their outreach initiatives,” says Ekin.

Wilson is thankful for the support of the Surplus Property team over the past 11 years. “I have a had the pleasure of working with some tremendous people at Georgia DOAS Surplus Property. They’ve gone well out of their way to find things. If there is something that I’m needing, they’ve been very diligent in finding the item. I just can’t say enough about how helpful they’ve been.”

For more information about Surplus Property for nonprofit organizations in Georgia, visit <https://doas.ga.gov/surplus-property/surplus-property-for-nonprofits>.

-Submitted by Kenya King, Georgia SASP

City of Rogue River (Oregon)



Located on the banks of the world-famous salmon and steelhead fishing river of the same name, the City of Rogue River, Oregon acquired two electric utility vehicles from the Oregon SASP for their public works department. According to the Public Works Director Michael Bollweg, “What a find. We are getting tons of use from our electric utility vehicles! The repairs were relatively minor, and they run like a champ! We figure they save us about \$2,000 a year over using a regular vehicle.” The original acquisition on the two utility vehicles was \$13,494.36, and the total service charge was \$3,000. That means that these utility vehicles practically paid for themselves in 1.5 years!

- Submitted by Darren Kennedy, Oregon SASP

Donee Success Story

New Life Evangelistic Center (Missouri)



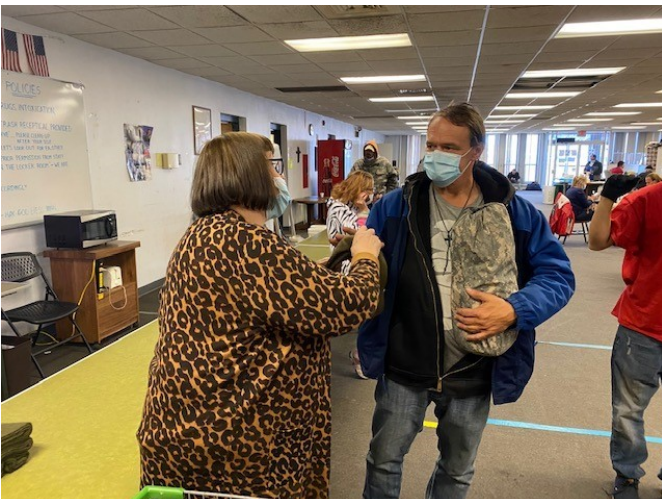
Missouri SASP transfers items to New Life Evangelistic Center to help the homeless during the winter months

Through the Federal Surplus Property Program, the Missouri State Agency for Surplus Property recently transferred several items to help the impoverished and homeless served by the New Life Evangelistic Center (NLEC) in Springfield, Missouri. The non-profit NLEC is eligible to receive low cost federal property through the Federal Surplus Property Program. The Missouri SASP transferred items to the NLEC such as mittens, overalls, sleeping bags, tents and socks. The NLEC then invited Surplus Property staff to join them in distributing these items to those in need. It was a rewarding experience for the team to see the direct benefit of the property transferred to NLEC.

Pictured to the left is Stephanie Woodruff, Federal Property Program Manager, distributing tents and scarves.



-Submitted by Lee Ann Blythe, Missouri SASP



NASASP Overseas Facilitator Report



This truck came from DLA Germersheim, Germany and will provide a substantial savings to the Florida technical school system to enhance the vocational school program. Future truck drivers and mechanics will be trained to drive and repair the truck giving them hands on experience prior to entering the field. With the critical need for truck drivers and mechanics in our country right now, this unit will surely train the future drivers. Thank you to all the SASPs that keep the Overseas Program going!

*Interested in participating in the Overseas Program?
Please contact Randy Main, NASASP Overseas Facilitator, at
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NASASP Historian's Report

Key Events in the History of the Federal Surplus Property Program

1918	Executive Order 3019 – President Wilson directs excess federal war property be made available for reissue to other government establishments. Congress designated the Treasury Department as the Administrator.
1919	Public Law 66-91 - Authorized the War Department to sell surplus at 15% of cost to educational institutions
1928	Public Law 70-254 - Allowed aeronautical equipment to be given for display purposes to museums.
1930	Public Law 71-249 - Authorized the Secretary of Navy to provide property "without cost".
1944	Public Law 78-457 - Known as the Surplus Property Act of 1944, addressed the WWII surplus inventories. Allowed the donation of property to educational, public health, local governments and nonprofit institutions at reduced or no cost for public benefit.
1945	Commissioner of War Assets Administration (WAA) asked the governors of several states to create State Agencies for Surplus Property.
1947	Public Law 80-289 - Amended the 1944 Surplus Property Act to authorize the Administrator of the WAA (and later the GSA) to convey to any state, political subdivision, municipality, or tax supported institution surplus federal property.
1947	NASASP Formed by a group of states in the former Civil Defense areas of the country, six regions total. The first organizing meeting was in Washington, DC in 1947. Many of the Directors were former World War II Commanders and had a very close relationship with members of Congress.
1949	Public Law 81-152 - Known as the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949. Abolished the War Assets Administration and created the General Services Administration. This Act charged GSA with overall responsibility of Government-Wide property management matters. It is considered the birth of the modern Federal Personal Property Donation Program.
1955	Public Law 84-61 - Made stock fund surplus donable. Removed restrictions on surplus property acquired by donation or discount purchase prior to July 1949. Limited restrictions placed on surplus property donated in the future.
1956	Public Law 84-655 - Established that no property could be donated for use in a state except through the State Agency for Surplus Property (SASP) designated within each state. The Department of Health, Education and Welfare (DHEW) was designated to allocate property.
1976	Public Law 94-519 – Transferred responsibility of the donation program from DHEW to GSA. NASASP leadership were key in the passage of this amendment to the Federal Property Act. GSA was formally recognized as the sole Federal agency with Program oversight. GSA Administrator was given power to delegate some GSA responsibilities to other Federal agencies, like DOD, and to offer property to other programs. The first time in law that the State Agencies for Surplus Property were formally recognized. Inserted the Service Educational Activities into the law.
1996	Executive Order 12999 and Stevenson-Wydler Technology Innovation Act of 1980 permit agencies to give research equipment to educational institutions for scientific education/research and computers to schools.
1997	Public Law 105-50 - Allows providers of assistance to the impoverished to acquire Federal surplus personal property.
1999	SBA 8(a) Businesses - NASASP Directors, working with the Small Business Administration (SBA) and GSA, penned an agreement to allow small minority businesses to receive Federal surplus personal property.
2002	Congress implements U.S.C 40 - Public Buildings, Property, and Works requires each executive agency to transfer and obtain property to other federal agencies and organizations
2003	TSA Voluntarily Abandoned Property - NASASP, working with GSA and TSA, was able to reach an agreement for any SASP that desired the property, to pick up voluntarily abandoned property at our nation's airports, and bring it into their Program for distribution.
2013	Public Law 113-26 – NASASP was involved in the passage of the For Vets Act of 2013. Made Veterans Service Organizations eligible for FSP. This marked the first amendment to Title 40 since 1997.
2018	Public Law 115-416 - Veterans Small Business Enhancement Act was signed into law granting veteran-owned small businesses access to FSP.
2021	Veteran Owned Small Business (VOSB) were fully approved by GSA, SBA and VA to receive surplus property following the implementation of Public Law 115-416.
2022	NASASP's 75th Anniversary - Celebrate with us at the Annual Meeting, July 18-22, 2022 in Washington D.C. at The Madison Hotel.

NASASP Government Relations Report

State Donation Heritage: Congress and Continuity

By John Chwat, Director of Government Relations, NASASP

It is rare to find a federal program resulting from the war surpluses of World War II that is still operating and performing public service throughout the United States. We can cite examples from the New Deal, the Great Society, and selected projects over time; but the Federal Surplus Property Donation Program, supported by State Agencies for Surplus Property, has consistently served millions of citizens, non-profit organizations, educational organizations, and local governments these last 75 years. The Donation Program is rooted in history by disposing of a huge surplus of property after World War II; first with the War Assets Administration in 1947 (Public Law 80-289) which provided for states to receive surplus property. The late President Harry Truman, in a March 5, 1948 message, indicated the vast majority of war property declared surplus had been disposed of, and a “new” federal agency should take control of this process. The General Services Administration was created in 1949.

It is also rare for one association to have secured passage in the Congress of numerous Public Laws intended to expand the availability of federal surplus property. The average passage of bills in any Congress is less than 3% out of thousands introduced, but the National Association of State Agencies for Surplus Property (NASASP) accomplished this objective not once, but twice, in the last decade to support Veteran Service Organizations and veteran owned small businesses to receive surplus property. In 2022, NASASP will recognize its 75th year as an Association, something all State Agencies for Surplus Property can be proud of. Next year will be a celebration for NASASP and all of the donees that have utilized federal surplus property according to the regulations and statutes governing the donation process.

Even with the past success of NASASP, much remains to be done. There are challenges ahead that could impact the Donation Program, and NASASP is actively monitoring them. At the end of 2021, Congress has passed, and will put the final touches on, major appropriation bills that impact every aspect of the country. This is especially true in the billions of dollars for programs and property within the federal departments and agencies. The Fiscal Year 2022 federal funding cycle was delayed this year. The FY22 appropriations were supposed to be available on October 1, 2021, however most funds for new acquisitions and programs will not be available until after January 1, 2022. The FY23 budget cycle will begin in February 2022. These allocations are important to NASASP in that they create new procurement opportunities for agencies—including DoD, USDA, Department of the Interior, FEMA—that will result in increased surplus property over the short term. This is also important for the House and Senate Appropriations Committees that have recently mentioned several policies relating to GSA that impact the Donation Program.

At the end of 2021, I will work with the NASASP Officers and Legislative Committee to review any federal legislation or policies impacting the Donation program, including proposed regulations by GSA, SBA, VA, DoD, and DLA. Among these unresolved items is the status of the legislation relating to refurbished computer and other IT surplus property; NASASP has previously provided review and input on this House bill. We will also continue to monitor changes proposed to the 1033/LESO Program in the National Defense Authorization Act, as well as a multitude of bills at the end of the Session. These bills tend to be thousands of pages with details buried in amendment after amendment. As indicated in the last newsletter, we serve as the “canary in the coal mine” for NASASP to meet challenges to the Donation Program.

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NASASP has also been consistent in its requests to Congress to support the Exchange/Sale requirements in law and regulations, however, place the Donation Program as priority over Exchange/Sale as less and less key surplus property is available to SASPs for their donees. When Congress passed a provision on Exchange/Sale, it was to "...provide a simple and economical method of replacing worn-out and damaged property on a one for one basis." This property is not made available for donation, and NASASP believes the benefits received by the donees far exceed the relatively small return from the sale. The priority of donations over Exchange/Sale is not something that just happened; a past NASASP President gave a presentation on that topic in 1965 to members of a Senate Committee. A year later on July 11, 1966, a bill to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 to put donation ahead of Exchange/Sale passed the US Senate. Unfortunately it was not considered in the House. Decades later, NASASP has continued to advocate for the priority of donations over Exchange/Sale in Title 40. These outreach efforts will continue throughout the 117th Congress into 2022. The year 2022 will also provide NASASP with new leadership potentials for Congressional Committees impacting donations. Election results, retirements, and staff changes will be crucial to policy and legislative events in committees with jurisdiction over GSA, SBA, DLA, DoD, and the many other agencies being followed and monitored for SASPs. Happy holidays and New Year's wishes for all!

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The National Association of State Agencies for Surplus Property (NASASP) is the organization that works to strengthen and keep available, the Federal Surplus Property Program (FSPP) through the State Agency for Surplus Property (SASP) in your State and all others. Associate Members of NASASP are key players on the Federal Surplus team. Associate Members are typically people or organizations who receive surplus property (and thereby save money for the citizens they support) and have a keen interest in the Program. Public agencies, schools, small businesses and certain non-profit organizations receive millions of dollars' worth of heavy equipment, computers, office furniture and equipment, vehicles and much more through the Federal Surplus Property Program each year. Help us ensure the growth of this valuable program through your support of NASASP. Your \$39.00 annual membership fee supports NASASP's efforts to increase the quality and quantity of surplus property available to you, and to open the program to other organizations that were not previously eligible to receive surplus property. For your \$39.00 annual membership fee, you receive:

- Certificate of membership denoting membership.
- Updates about changes to the program.
- Invitation to attend, as a nonvoting guest, the annual meeting of NASASP.
- The satisfaction of knowing that you are making a difference by joining.

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- On January 3, 2019, the "Veterans Small Business Enhancement Act" became Public Law 115-416. Under this law, approximately 2.5 million veteran small business owners could be eligible to obtain property through FSPP.
- Most of the property you obtain through your SASP comes from the Department of Defense (DoD) through the Defense Logistics Agency. Policies and regulations governing DoD operations affect the availability of surplus property to the FSPP, so NASASP works with these agencies to keep property available to you.
- NASASP's Overseas Program allows SASPs to bring property in from many overseas locations. If your SASP cannot ship overseas property, we have a procedure that allows donees like you to obtain property directly. Over 60 shipments have been brought in using this procedure. If you are interested, please contact your SASP.

With your help, NASASP pledges to continue our efforts to work with the Federal government to screen and transport valuable Federal surplus property for your organization no matter where in the world it is located. We will also continue to guard against legislative proposals which could adversely affect the FSPP.

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