Procurement of quality products and services, while creating employment opportunities for people with disabilities . . . that's what Wisconsin's State Use Program is all about.

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# Wisconsin's

## State Use Program



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#### What is the State Use Program?

#### What is Being Produced?

#### What Are the Benefits?

In 1989 the State of Wisconsin legislature crafted an innovative piece of legislation called the State Use Law. The law directs state agencies to purchase products and services from Wisconsin's certified work centers employing persons with severe disabilities. As a result, the State Use Program was created to administer the law that provides state agencies with a fair price, good quality and on-time delivery.

#### What Does the State Use Program Do?

The State Use Program combines the purchasing power of Wisconsin government with the rehabilitation employment of the non-profit work centers. The State Use Program seeks to maximize Wisconsin state agency contracting with certified work centers by requiring all agencies to contract with a certified work center when the work center is able to meet specifications and provide a product or service at fair market value.



The following is a list of just some of what work centers can provide to the State of Wisconsin.

Services: Clerical, food service, mailing and packaging, janitorial, landscaping, sewing, snow removal, mowing, woodworking, metal working, laundry.

**Products:** Clothing, mops, floor pads, work boots and oxford shoes, hygiene kits, non-sterile disposable gloves, spices and seasonings, alkaline batteries.





Quality Products and Services: Work centers must meet all specifications and quality standards and provide on-time delivery.

Fair Market Prices: Prices for products and services procured under the State Use Program must meet fair market pricing as determined by the state.

**Employment:** The State Use Program provides meaningful, longterm, stable employment which offers people with severe disabilities an opportunity to learn job skills and become productive citizens.