

Board Meeting
July 17, 2025

ROLL CALL

PURCHASE RECOMMENDATIONS

Following are purchase recommendations proposed by each university and the System Office. The purchases are to be funded from State appropriations or institutional funds as appropriate. Unless otherwise specified or indicated, purchases are based on the lowest acceptable bid. The vice president/chief financial officer and comptroller has approved all purchases to be funded from State appropriations in accordance with the *Bylaws of the Board of Trustees* and *The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure*.

The Board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with applicable State and federal laws, University of Illinois *Statutes*, *The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure*, and Board of Trustees policies and directives.

The president of the University of Illinois System concurs.

PURCHASES RECOMMENDED

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign	
1 Unit	Illinois Quantum Microelectronics Park (IQMP)
Item	Quantum computing specialized hardware and equipment for University of Illinois owned Illinois Quantum and Microelectronics Park (IQMP) facilities
Cost	\$20,000,000 (Grant-tied estimate)

Vendor	Multiple	Vendors	(TBD)
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The National Quantum Facility (NQF) at the IQMP will be a center for supporting private sector companies developing quantum computing, sensing, and networking technology and quantum researchers from academia and national laboratories by providing access to significant specialized equipment, an industrial scale cryoplat, and access to quantum experts from IQMP. The NQF will be owned by the Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois and is planned to be delivered in 2027

While the NQF is under development, the IQMP will provide an on-ramp program for companies and researchers to enter and leverage the Chicago and Illinois ecosystem by sitting at an existing local innovation facility (“On-Ramp Facility”). The On-Ramp Facility is a Chicago location within the existing quantum ecosystem that has available shared-use space and the ability to serve small business needs.

The Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois was recently awarded a grant by the State of Illinois for the hardware equipment costs for equipment to be placed at the On-Ramp Facility in the short-term, with transferability to the future NQF. This equipment will support growth stage quantum companies in a shared location with entrepreneurial and technical support. The Board will own the equipment purchased using these grant funds.

Purchases will include, but are not limited to, the following hardware and equipment necessary for the On-Ramp Facility to support quantum and microelectronic businesses in Illinois: cryostats (including dilution refrigerators), control electronics, test and measurement instruments, and qubit devices.

This equipment is essential for IQMP’s ability to attract and retain businesses prior to the opening of the NQF. Multiple vendors will be needed to source a range of specialized quantum technology equipment and cryostats and we anticipate there to be long lead times for several of these purchases. As a result, the IQMP seeks the Board’s approval and purchase authority delegation so that IQMP may begin communications with several potential vendors. The IQMP will provide a report back to the Board of purchases that exceeded the \$1,000,000 purchase threshold under this grant agreement.

Business Enterprise Program (BEP) goals are not established as there are no other sources able to meet the need.

University of Illinois Chicago

2	Unit	Office of the Vice Chancellor for Administrative Services (OVCAS) and University of Illinois Chicago Police Department (UICPD)
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Item	Video analytics of security camera feeds to identify and respond to security incidents in a timely fashion.
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Cost	Initial Term: \$3,720,936 (estimated) for a 3-year period September 1, 2025, through August 31, 2028.
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	Renewal Term One: \$2,554,812 (estimated) for a 2-year period September 1, 2028 through August 31, 2030.
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	Renewal Term Two: \$2,631,456 (estimated) for a 2-year period September 1, 2030 through August 31, 2032
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	Renewal Term Three: \$2,710,398 (estimated) for a 2-year period September 1, 2032 through August 31, 2034
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Vendor	VOLT AI	Bethesda, MD
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	Purchase of video analytics of security camera feeds to identify and respond to security incidents in a timely fashion. The system will be an Artificial Intelligence (AI) based analysis of video surveillance camera feeds to detect incidents in real-time and report them to UICPD. The desired system will enhance security by immediately identifying potential threats and providing real-time situational awareness.
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	Competitive solicitation procedures were followed in accordance with the Illinois Procurement Code (30 ILCS 500/20-15)
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	A 3% BEP participation goal and a 3% VBP participation goal was established for this solicitation for AI Camera Integration. VOLT AI provided a letter of intent of 3% BEP participation to utilize the
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woman-owned BEP vendor Iyka Enterprises, Inc. and a letter of intent of 3% VBP participation to utilize VBP vendor Stampely Technology & Management LLC.

3	Unit	University of Illinois College of Medicine, Department of Radiology, Chicago
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Item Teleradiology Services for University of Illinois College of Medicine, Department of Radiology, Chicago

Cost \$6,000,000 (estimated) for a five-year period beginning August 1, 2025, with one optional five-year renewal period (total 10 years)
Total cost (estimated) including renewal period is \$12,000,000

Vendor Global Imaging Specialists Tarpon Springs, FL

Global Imaging Specialists will provide remote radiology interpretation services, on an as needed basis to support UI Health's teleradiology needs to keep up with growing demand for radiology services with insufficient existing staffing. The vendor will provide support when in-house radiologists are unavailable, including after-hours and holiday shifts. The teleradiology services will provide schedule flexibility, covering vacations, vacancies, paid time off, and nights and weekends.

The vendor will be responsible for the remote interpretation of various diagnostic imaging studies, ensuring timely and accurate interpretation. The imaging studies will include, but are not limited to, x-rays, CT, MRI, ultrasound, mammograms, and PET. The vendor will ensure the timely generation and submission of reports, adhering to agreed-upon turnaround times (e.g., routine reports within 24 hours, STAT reports within 1-2 hours).

The vendor will provide differential diagnoses, identify abnormal findings, and offer recommendations for follow-up. The vendor is responsible for providing continuous, uninterrupted radiology coverage, including nights, weekends, and holidays, ensuring availability for emergency or STAT cases.

Competitive solicitation procedures were followed in accordance with the Illinois Procurement Code (30 ILCS 500/20-15).

A 0% BEP goal and a 0% VBP goal were established for this RFP based on the goal-setting formula and the highly specialized nature of this service.

4 Unit UI Hospital and Clinics

Item Long-term Skilled Nursing Care for Sub-acute Patients of UI Hospital

Cost \$6,000,000 (estimated) for three years from August 1, 2025 through July 31, 2028

Vendor The Pearl of Hillside Hillside, Illinois

Long-term occupancy of acute Hospital beds by patients awaiting custodial disposition severely limits Hospital throughput. The University of Illinois Hospital utilizes The Pearl of Hillside to provide sub-acute inpatient care to patients whose hospital stay is no longer medically necessary. These patients continue to require skilled nursing care and are not stable enough to return home or to be cared for by family members. This allows UI Health to optimize patient flow, maintain inpatient capacity for emergent and elective admissions, and support efficient, high-quality operations across the healthcare delivery enterprise.

This purchase is exempt from competitive selection procedures in accordance with the Illinois Procurement Code (30ILCS 500/1-13(b-5)).

Business Enterprise Program (BEP) goals are not established for purchases which are exempt from the requirements of the Illinois Procurement Code.

5 Unit UI Hospital and Clinics

Item Purchase of Orthopedic Implants and Accessories for UI Hospital and Clinics

Cost \$9,000,000 (estimated) for 5-year term August 1, 2025 through July 31, 2030

Vendor Arthrex Corporation Naples, Florida

Purchase of orthopedic implants and accessories used in various procedures involving the shoulder, ankle, elbow, knees, and hips. These items consist of screws, anchors, wires, plates, sutures, burrs, punches, kits and ancillaries. These items are used in orthopedic stability procedures, soft tissue repairs, and arthroscopic diagnostic procedures. The Hospital's orthopedic service line exclusively uses Arthrex video equipment for arthroscopy surgical procedures, and there is strong surgeon preference for these items.

This purchase is exempt from competitive selection procedures in accordance with the Illinois Procurement Code (30ILCS 500/1-13(b-5)).

Business Enterprise Program (BEP) goals are not established for purchases which are exempt from the requirements of the Illinois Procurement Code.

6 Unit UI Hospital and Clinics

Item Purchase of radiopharmaceuticals for detection of neuroendocrine tumors and prostate cancer in addition to other common Nuclear Medicine exams.

Cost \$12,500,000 (estimated) for 5-year term August 1, 2025 through July 31, 2030

Vendor RLS USA, Inc. Philadelphia, PA

RLS provides specialty radiopharmaceuticals used to detect and provide care to patients with neuroendocrine tumors (Gallium-68), prostate cancer (Illuccix), and for other Nuclear Medicine exams at UI Hospital and Clinics. RLS is the only source of Illuccix and Ga-68.

This purchase is exempt from competitive selection procedures in accordance with the Illinois Procurement Code (30ILCS 500/1-13(b-5)).

Business Enterprise Program (BEP) goals are not established for contracts which are exempt from the requirements of the Illinois Procurement Code.

7 Unit UI Hospital and Clinics

Item Purchase of Specialty Pharmaceuticals for Chimeric Antigen Receptor T-cell Therapy (CAR-T)

Cost \$18,000,000 (estimated) for a three-year period August 1, 2025 through July 31, 2028

Vendor Cardinal Health 105 Inc. d/b/a Specialty Pharmaceutical Services
Columbia, Maryland

CAR-T (Chimeric Antigen Receptor Therapy) is an immunological treatment that utilizes the body's immune system to target and destroy cancerous cells. These gene and cell therapy pharmaceuticals are used as a last option for patients who have failed previous cancer treatment. CAR-T is similar to an autologous bone marrow transplant. The patient's white blood cells are harvested, then used to engineer and grow the cell product which is shipped back to UI Hospital to be infused to the patient in the bone marrow transplant unit.

Specialty Pharmaceutical Services is the exclusive distributor for three of the six CAR-T therapies currently on the market: Carvykti™, Yescarta™ and Tecartus™. In the coming years, additional CAR-T products are expected to be introduced to the market.

This purchase is exempt from competitive selection procedures in accordance with the Illinois Procurement Code (30ILCS 500/1-13(b-5)).

Business Enterprise Program (BEP) goals are not established for contracts which are exempt from the requirements of the Illinois Procurement Code.

SUMMARY OF PURCHASES	
University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign	\$20,000,000
University of Illinois Chicago	\$55,220,936
Recommended from Institutional Funds	\$75,220,936
Grand Total	