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Blockchain Opportunities

DoIT continues to explore Blockchain technology through the Illinois FIRST (Fast, Innovative, Responsive, Smarter Technology) strategy. A multi-agency working group also includes representation from DFPR, DOI and DCEO and is discovering how government can engage the business community through distributed ledger technology. The working group will be presenting their strategic plan on November 30 at the Blockchain Conference in Chicago, sponsored by Fintech Worldwide.

Sharing Successes – Procurement Reform at DoIT

DoIT is introducing IT Resource Provider (ITRP) Multi-Step Contracting, as part of procurement reform. This program includes a prequalified pool of IT service providers, who are processed through prequalification checks. ITRP offers the potential to reduce procurement times for IT services from approximately 6 months to 6 weeks. More details and specifics are coming soon.

Time of Thanks

In the spirit of thanksgiving, much appreciation goes to the DoIT staff and those involved with helping our new agency reach many milestones. It takes strong teamwork to accomplish all that has been achieved by DoIT.

Happy Thanksgiving to all!

DoIT FYIs & Reminders

Cybersecurity at the Holidays – Governor Rauner is promoting cybersecurity shopping tips this week on social media. These best practices were provided by the DoIT team and the security web page also shares on how to stay cyber safe at holidays.

Office 365 Update – Watch your inbox for announcements on the Office 365 implementation. The phased roll out of the new application will provide improved mobility and collaboration tools.

As always, send questions to IT.Transformation@Illinois.gov