



SENEA February 2022 e-Newsletter

From the Executive Director:

Please read below for items of interest to SENEA member companies and the regional defense cluster.

Best,
Molly Donohue Magee

SENEA Member Spotlight: PURVIS

What is your company's history?

PURVIS began our work aboard the U.S. destroyer USS Hugh PURVIS in 1973, conducting sea trials and sonar experiments, which later resulted in a long-standing contract with the U.S. Navy and what is now the Naval Undersea Warfare Center in Newport, RI.

Two years later, we expanded our focus into the public safety space and formed a partnership with the Fire Department of New York City (FDNY), providing technical services and system support that continues to this day.

Following our initial work with the USS PURVIS and the FDNY, our work in both defense and public safety has grown and expanded. Today, we are driven by our responsibility to equip the Department of Defense with the sustainable, engineered solutions needed to protect our nation's security – on land and at sea.

What services and/or products does your company provide?

PURVIS, is a small business technology solutions partner that develops, implements, and maintains mission-critical solutions for federal and local governments.

PURVIS has partnered with the U.S. Navy for over 49 years developing, evaluating, and supporting Undersea Warfare capabilities from system design and development, through TEMPALT development, installation, configuration management, integrated product support, Risk Management Framework (RMF) certification, training, and facilities/IT management. We design and develop the systems we install, train and support.

PURVIS' Fire Station Alerting System™ is an IP-based alerting solution designed to automate the process of alerting fire and rescue personnel, enhance communications, and decrease response times. Its rich features and functionality proactively support the day-to-day operations and environmental health, comfort, and safety of first responders.

PURVIS' role with the FDNY spans across every key communications system and technology in the department. Services provided include system modernization, software and hardware development, system implementation and 24/7/365 maintenance and support.

Why do you consider membership in SENEDIA valuable?

Membership in SENEDIA provides a broad range of networking opportunities that facilitate business partnerships. But equally valuable are the email/newsletter updates, a way to stay informed about happenings and events impacting our business both locally and nationally, training opportunities through Tech Talks and highly skilled interns who often become employees. All of these are valuable support elements for a small business.

If a company wants to do business with yours, whom should they contact?

Debbie Proffitt, Vice President, DoD Operations and Business Development, 401-845-8409, dproffitt@purvis.com

Defense Innovation Days 2022

Registration is now open! We will be holding Defense Innovation Days 2022 in person this year. It will be 29-31 August 2022 at the Newport RI Marriott Hotel. The registration link and the latest information can be found at: www.defenseinnovationdays.com.

SENEDIA Scholarship

SENEDIA will award a minimum of three \$1500 scholarships for the 2022/2023 academic year to students who are actively pursuing studies related to Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) career paths. These areas of study are the backbone of the skills and experiences that are important elements in supporting the future of national security and the defense sector.

Student applicants must be a U.S. citizen; a resident of New England; completing their two-year associates degree in 2023 or entering their third year of study (or higher) in the 2022-2023 academic year; and a matriculating student enrolled in a STEM-related field at an accredited college or university located in the U.S.

The 2022-23 SENEDIA scholarship application is available [here](https://www.senedia.org/scholarship/) (<https://www.senedia.org/scholarship/>). The deadline for applications is Friday, 29 April 2022. For more information, please contact Cassandra Johns, cjohns@senedia.org.

Potential for ARMY NAVY Football Game at Gillette Stadium

Kraft Sports + Entertainment (KS+E) is a finalist in the bid to host the 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026 and 2027 Army Navy football games at Gillette Stadium. There is a long and important history of the Army and Navy in New England. The Army Navy game would have a tremendous impact on our community. Historically, approximately 50,000 out-of-state visitors from around the United States annually travel to America's Game creating \$30-40 million in economic impact. During the bid preparation period, KS+E has partnered with many public and private organizations to best position Gillette Stadium and New England to host one or more of these games. **If you or your company has interest in learning more about the efforts to host America's Game at Gillette Stadium, please email Phil Buttafuoco, Executive Director of Special Events (philipb@kraftse.com).**

Hire Vets Medallion Program

The HIRE Vets Medallion Program is an employer recognition program administered by the Department of Labor's Veterans' Employment and Training Service (VETS). Through the program, VETS accepts voluntary applications from employers for the HIRE Vets Medallion Award beginning on January 31 of each calendar year. The Award recognizes employers who hire and retain veterans, including their efforts to establish employee development programs and veteran specific benefits to improve retention. In 2021, there were several SENEDIA member companies who were awarded Hire Vets medallions including Rite-Solutions, RDSI, Veterans Assembled Electronics (STRAC), and Attollo, LLC. More information can be found at <https://www.hirevets.gov/about>

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