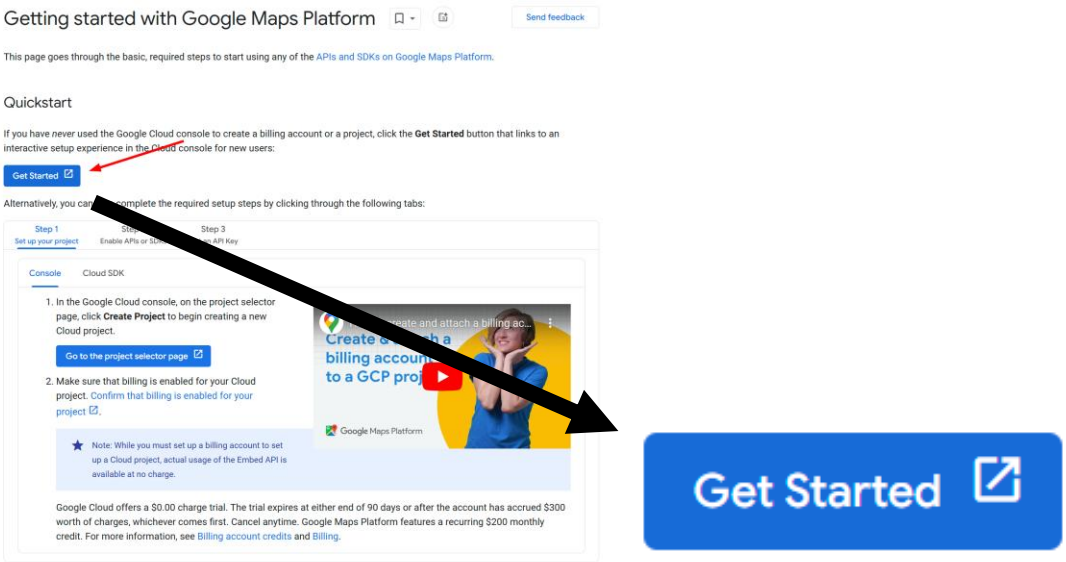
# Google Mapping API Guide

This guide explains how to create the Google Mapping API Key. Please follow the instructions carefully to set this up correctly for your agency.

## Getting Started

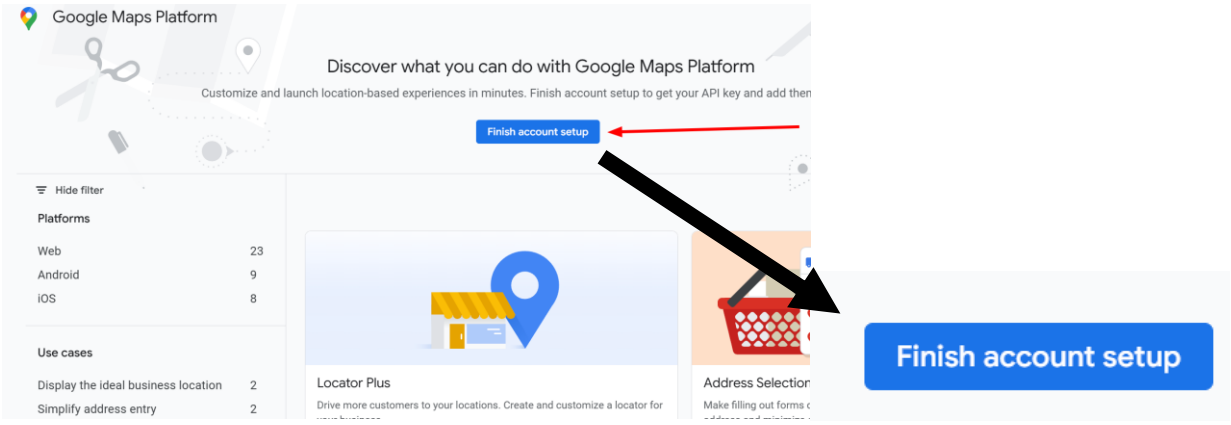
Go to the Google Developers Maps Page at https://developers.google.com/maps/get-started

Click on **Get Started:**




Sign in to your Google account. **You might want to create a new one just for the department if you don't already have one.**

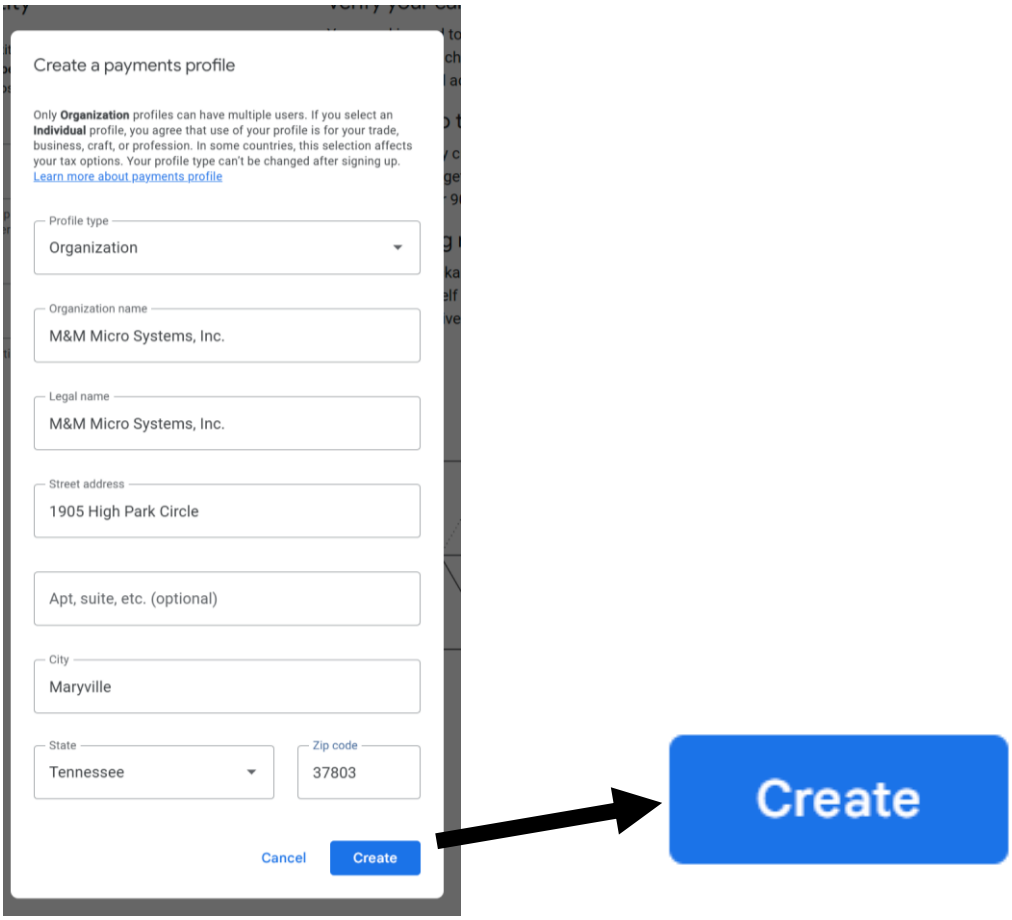
Click **Finish Account Setup:**



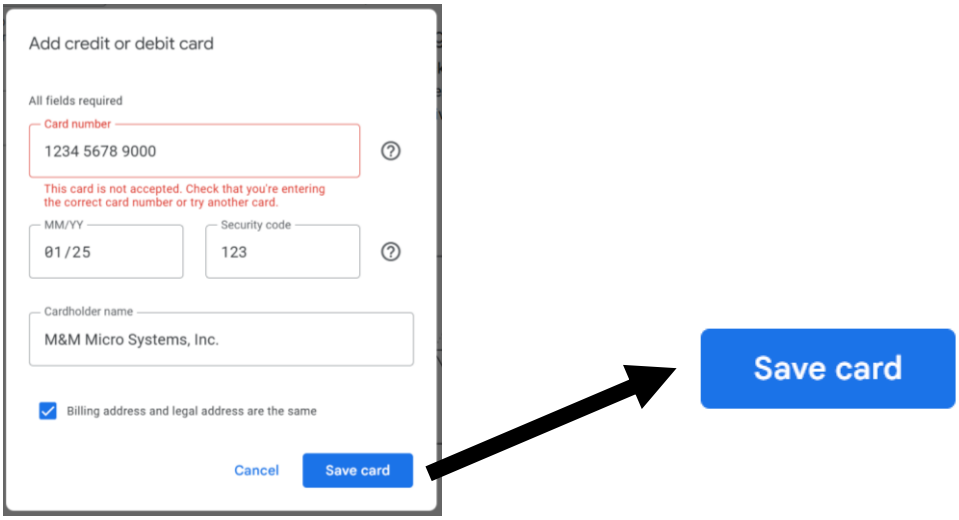
## Payments Profile

Make sure **United States** is the country and click **Agree & continue**.

Click **Create new payments profile**. Fill in your organization's name and address and click **Create**



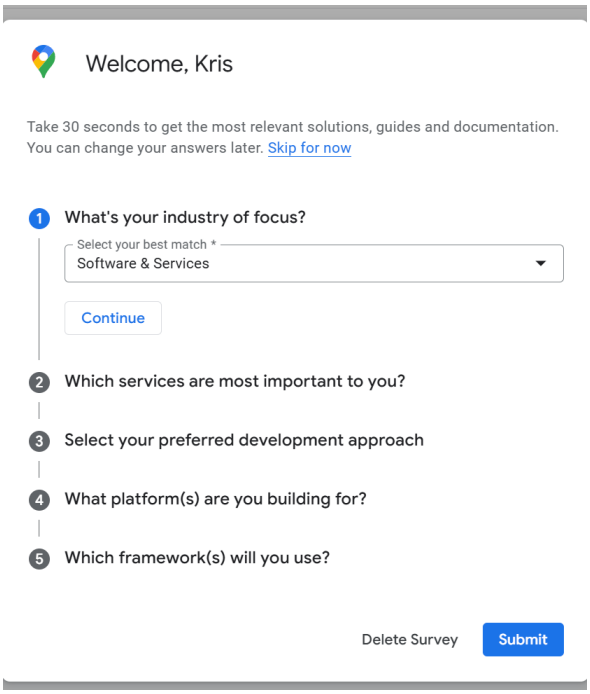

Click **Add payment method** then add your credit card information. Click **Save card**.



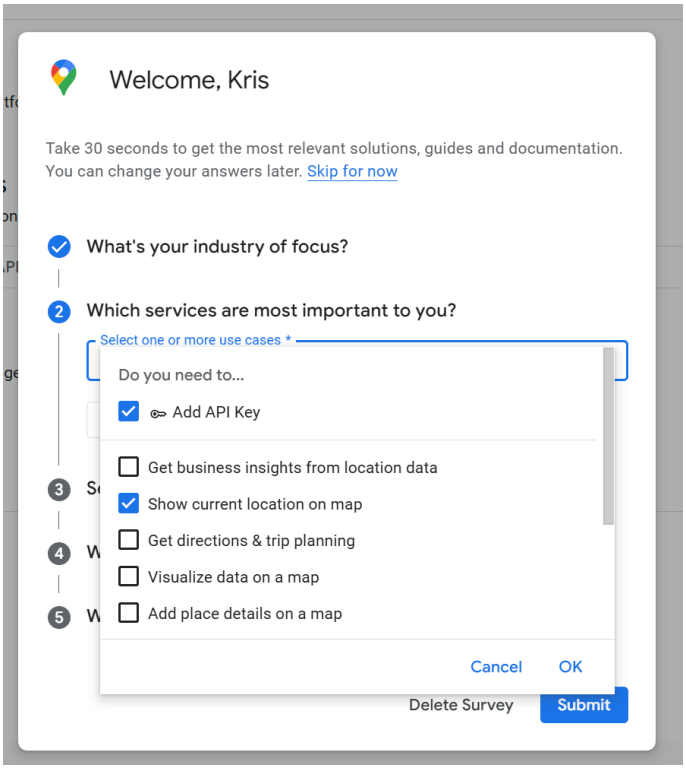
## Welcome Survey

Click **Start free**.

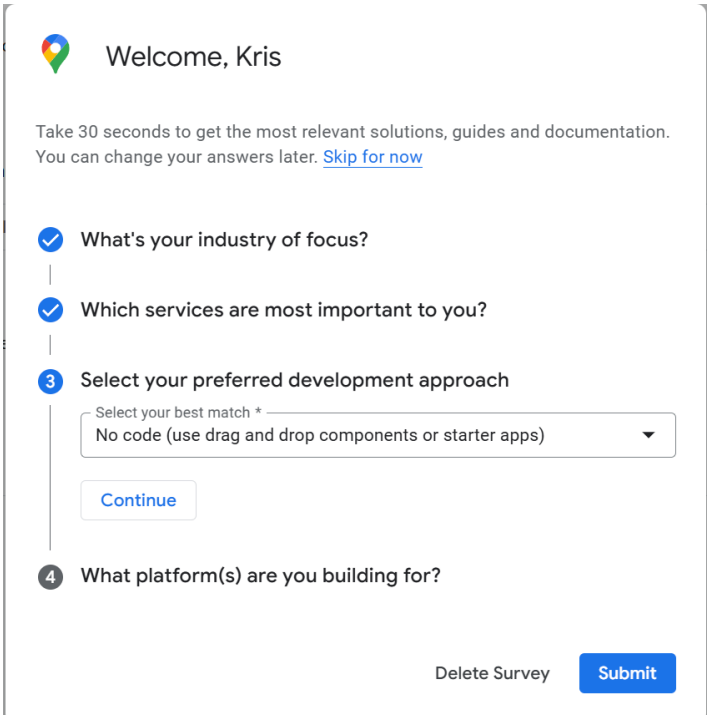
A welcome survey will pop up. For question number 1, select **Software & Services**:



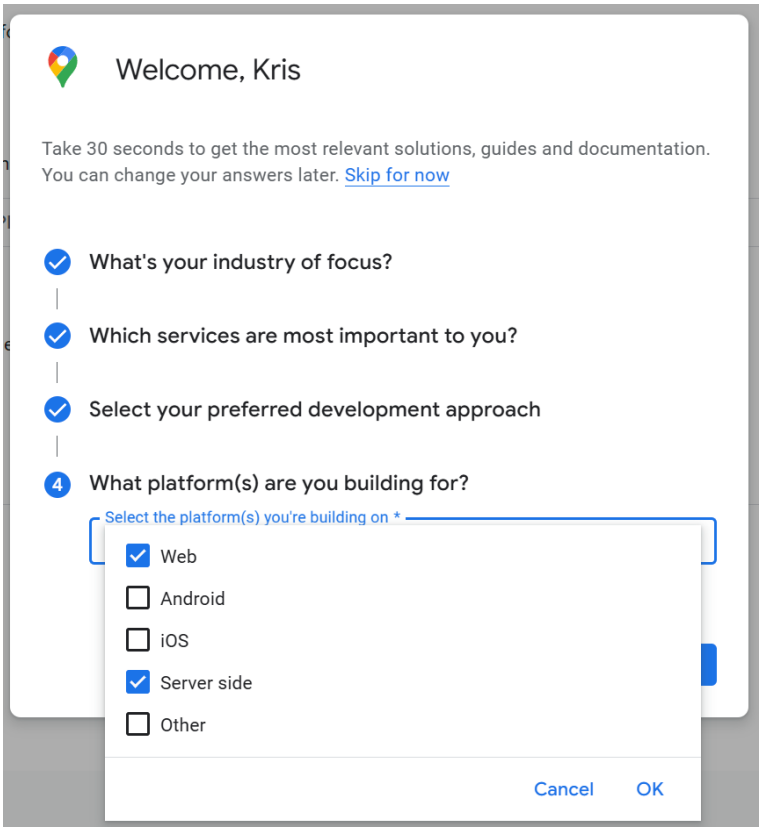

On question number 2, select **Add API Key** and **Show current location on map:**



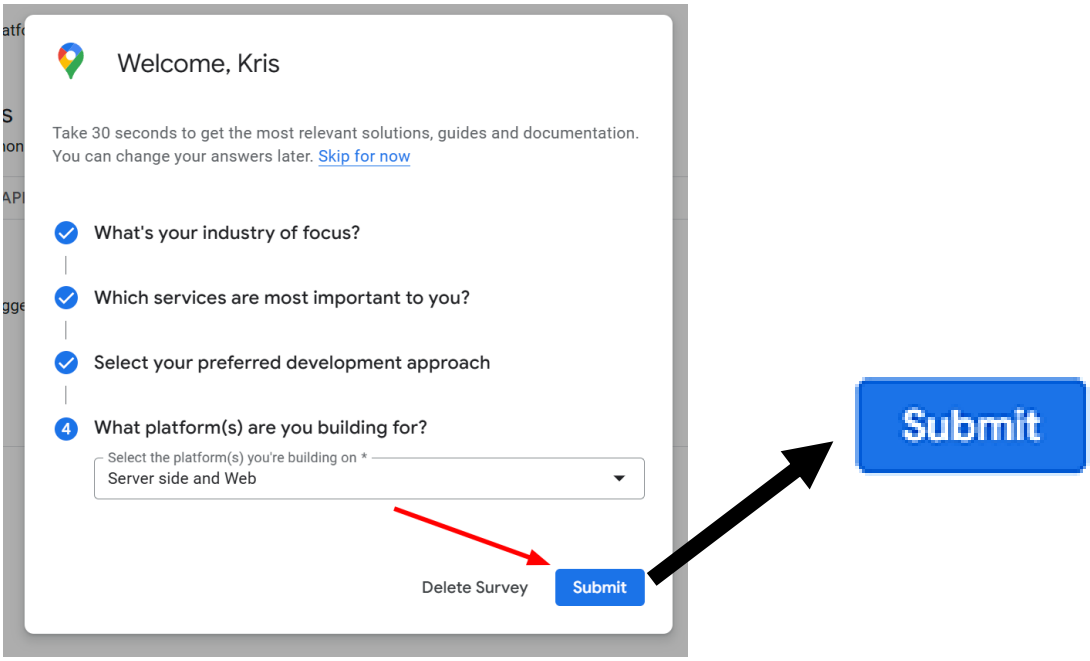
For question number 3, select **No code:**

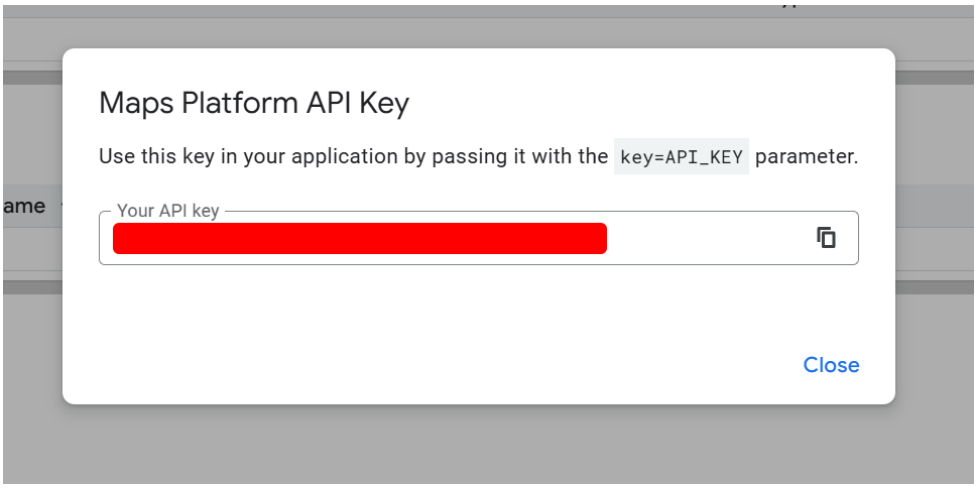



Finally, for question number 4, select **Web and Server side:**



To save your answers, click **Submit:**




Now a pop-up screen will appear with your API key.