



President Biden Selects Four U.S. AbilityOne Commission Members for 2024 Presidential Rank Awards

WASHINGTON, D.C., December 3, 2024 – The U.S. AbilityOne Commission is proud to recognize that four of its Presidential appointees are among the [winners](#) of the [2024 Presidential Rank Awards](#).

The [Presidential Rank Award](#) is one of the most prestigious awards in federal career civil service and recognizes exemplary contributions of civilian leaders throughout the federal workforce.

[Jennifer C. Sheehy](#), the Department of Labor representative on the Commission, was recognized for “sustained extraordinary accomplishment” in the Distinguished Executive category. The honor follows her 2019 award in the Meritorious Executive category.

[Matthew R. Beebe](#), the Commission’s Department of Defense representative; [Scott R. Calisti](#), the Air Force representative; and [Megan R. Dake](#), the Army representative, were honored respectively for “sustained accomplishment” in this year’s Meritorious Executive category.

“The President’s selection of these four executives recognizes their exceptional leadership and achievements,” said Commission Chairperson Jeffrey A. Koses. “The Commission and AbilityOne Program are fortunate to benefit from their talent and expertise as we modernize the Program and create quality employment opportunities across all economic sectors for people who are blind or have significant disabilities.”

About the U.S. AbilityOne Commission

The AbilityOne Program is administered by the U.S. AbilityOne Commission, the operating name of the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled. The Commission is an independent Federal agency composed of 15 Presidential appointees: 11 represent Federal agencies, and four serve as private citizens who are knowledgeable about employment barriers facing people who are blind or have significant disabilities.

About the AbilityOne Program

The AbilityOne Program facilitates the use of government procurement to provide employment in the United States for people who are blind or have significant disabilities. Approximately 37,000 individuals, including more than 2,500 veterans, are employed nationwide at more than 420 nonprofit agencies from Maine to Guam. AbilityOne provided more than \$4 billion in products and services to approximately 40 Federal government agencies in FY 2023.

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