AbilityOne Representatives (ABORs) Update
ABORs Beginning

- 30 October 2020, Office of Federal Procurement Policy issued memo “Increasing the Participation of Americans with Disabilities in Federal Contracting”
  - 5 Key Actions: ABORs, AbilityOne ABORs Team, AbilityOne Pledge, Hire at Home, Preparing for the Future State

- ABORs will:
  - Be champions for the AbilityOne Program
  - Build a community of learning, sharing, and growing
  - Facilitate growth in lines of business and employment
ABORs Statistics

• 17 ABORs identified so far by CFO Act agencies
  – 7 Department of Defense (DoD) sub-agency ABORs
• 12 agencies have sent pledges to Commission for additional spending on AbilityOne
• 8 educational sessions provided to agencies by Commission and Central Nonprofit Agencies
  – USDA, Commerce, Education, Interior, Treasury, NASA
  – VA sessions coming up
ABORs Kickoff Meeting

• Held 23 June 2021
  – 16 out of 17 CFO Act agency ABORs attended
    • 4 DoD sub-agency ABORs attended
  – 53 total participants
• Positive feedback received, ABORs already working with each other
• ABORs given “homework” for July meeting
  – Identify contracts AbilityOne can work
  – Identify topics of interest to discuss
Next Steps

• Next ABORs meeting 20 July 2021
• ABORs provided with upcoming contract data
  – Commission will reach out separately to set meetings with agencies’ ABORs, Senior Procurement Executives, and Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU) representatives to discuss agencies’ contract requirements
• Commission ABORs webpage includes helpful documents and links
  – Building toolkit
  – Developing newsletter
Future State

• Grow new lines of business
  – Utilize other methods of contract additions including Indefinite Delivery, Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ); subcontracting; and Federal Supply Schedule

• ABORs provide training to their agency workforce

• Assist agencies with “Hire at Home” effort

• Track Government Purchase Card (GPC) spend

• Grow employment

• Have a positive impact on the Program