

U.S. AbilityOne Commission Will Soon Announce New Deadline for Feedback on Draft Compliance Policies, and New Date for Town Hall

WASHINGTON, D.C., March 13, 2023 – The U.S. AbilityOne Commission will extend the March 15, 2023, deadline for feedback on the three draft compliance policies recently <u>issued</u> by the agency.

The new deadline for feedback – to be announced soon – will be after the Commission's <u>virtual</u> town hall on the draft compliance policies.

The virtual town hall is currently being rescheduled, and a new date will be announced soon.

Originally scheduled for March 8, 2023, the town hall was <u>delayed</u> out of respect for the memorial service for disability rights leader <u>Judy Heumann</u> that same day.

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. More than 36,000 individuals, including more than 2,500 veterans, are employed nationwide at more than 440 nonprofit agencies from Maine to Guam. AbilityOne provided nearly \$4 billion in products and services to approximately 40 Federal government agencies in FY 2022.



