# NATIONAL INDUSTRIES FOR THE BLIND MADE IN AMERICA: WE EQUIP THE WARFIGHTER





## MADE IN AMERICA

## We Equip the Warfighter

Take a look at some of the many items that NIB's associated nonprofit agencies produce for the brave men and women of our Armed Forces.

- Ballistic NAPE
  Pad
- Moisture Wicking T-Shirt
- Frame Shoulder Straps

- Helmet Cover
- Helmet Pads
- Retention System
  - Army Combat Shirt
  - Riggers Belt
  - Ammunition Pouches

- MOLLE Components
- Canteen and Canteen Cup
- Hydration System

- Poncho Liner
- Entrenching Tool
- Entrenching Tool Cover



# Delivering Quality Products for America's Warfighters

Supporting America's warfighters with quality products is a mission that NIB and its associated agencies accomplish with pride. From military combat uniforms and mattresses, to helmets and other protective equipment, we outfit the warfighter from head to toe. Here are some of the many products produced by people who are blind:

#### **Textiles and Apparel**

- Army and Marine poncho liners
- Army combat shirts
- Snowshoe bindings
- Cleaning swabs and slings for small arms
- Army Modular Lightweight Load-Carrying Equipment (MOLLE) system components
- 400/550 cord
- Energy dissipation pads
- Flight deck jerseys
- Footwear covers for radioactive contaminates
- Advanced combat helmet covers, pads and retention systems
- Marine Corps Reversible Helmet Cover and Lightweight Retention System
- Low Cost High Visibility parachute
- Low Cost Container
- Joint Service Lightweight Integrated Suit Technology (JSLIST) carrying bag
- Combat uniforms
- Army and Air Force physical fitness uniforms

- Coast Guard physical training uniforms
- Navy parka liners
- Shipboard mattresses
- Moisture wicking T-shirts
- Ballistic Neck Armor Protective Equipment (NAPE) Pad
- Frame shoulder straps
- Riggers belt
- Ammunition pouches
- Entrenching tool cover
- Extreme Cold Weather Clothing System (ECWCS) Layer 2 undergarment and Layer 4 jacket
- Hydration system

#### Plastics — injection, blow molding and Therm-O-Form

- Army and Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES) and Defense Commissary Agency (DeCA) shopping bags
- Award binders
- Canteens
- Five-gallon water container
- Grommets for 155MM projectiles
- Hazardous waste bags
- Plastic flatware and utensils
- Vehicle drip pans

#### **Metal Fabrication and Machining**

- Canteen cups
- Heater stands
- Litters
- Entrenching tool

#### Offering Value: Right Selection, Right Price, Right Now

For our customers who purchase military supplies, quality and selection are important. That's why all of our SKILCRAFT® and other products produced through the AbilityOne® Program meet or exceed all applicable performance standards and specifications to withstand the most punishing conditions.



Whether our military customers need to restock combat uniforms, order for mobile field kitchens or request new products to meet specific requirements, we're the one-stop supplier.

With a dedicated, capable and highly motivated workforce, we stand ready to serve America's warfighters by producing high-quality products that are competitively priced and available to meet mission requirements. We're geared for rapid-fire response time – we get what you need, when you need it.

## **Creating Employment Opportunities for Americans Who Are Blind**

Despite continued gains in employment, people who are blind remain one of the nation's greatest untapped labor resources. In fact, 70 percent of workingage Americans who are blind are not employed. This statistic fuels NIB's mission to create, sustain and improve employment opportunities for people who are blind

For the U.S. military, NIB and its associated agencies provide:

- Dedicated Support. Supply the U.S. Armed Forces with ALL of its canteens and canteen cups, combat medical litters, field operating tables, flight deck jerseys, mattresses for ships and award binders – with an on-time delivery rate that's consistently over 99.5%.
- Product Manufacturing. Produce more than 3,500 SKILCRAFT products such as office and cleaning supplies, hardware and paints.
- Service Delivery. Provide services including contract closeout, supply chain management, call center operations, document management and administrative/technology support.
- Base Supply Center<sup>™</sup> (BSC<sup>™</sup>) Operations. Operate more than 140 AbilityOne BSC stores at military bases and federal government installations nationwide.
- Wounded Warrior Outreach. Offer training, job placement, career opportunities and guidance with transition to civilian life for veterans who are wounded with any type of injury, including those who are blind.





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### NIB's Mission: Focused on Employment

National Industries for the Blind (NIB) is a nonprofit organization with a proud history of nearly 75 years, focused on the mission of enhancing opportunities for economic and personal independence of persons who are blind, primarily through creating, sustaining and improving employment. NIB and its network of 90 associated nonprofit agencies nationwide serve as the largest employer of people who are blind by the sale of SKILCRAFT® and other top-quality products and services to federal and military customers through the AbilityOne® Program.

"In spite of government budget challenges, there is tremendous opportunity for NIB and the AbilityOne Program. You change people's lives in a remarkable and profound way."

#### **Shay Assad**

Director, Defense Pricing U.S. Department of Defense

"Our partnership with NIB is essential to providing medical support solutions to the Joint Armed Forces."

#### **Steve Hawbecker**

Project Manager, Medical Support Systems U.S. Army Medical Materiel Development Activity

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